

Indigenous Parents Advocacy Club (IPAC)

School District 71 (Comox Valley)

November 7, 2017

Hosted at Lake Trail Middle School (6:00-7:30pm)

Attending tonight: 5 parents (Tara, Kat, Nicole, Bruce, Bobbie) and many children who stayed in Gym to

attend the family gym night

Meeting Chaired by: Kathleen Hawksby

Minutes taken by: Bruce Carlos

Minutes

- 1. Welcome and Recognition of Territory
- 2. Introductions
 - ** thank you to Bobbie for bringing donated soup and bread for us to enjoy!
- 3. Review of last meetings minutes
- **4. IPAC swag** IPAC t-shirts. Shared t-shirts screened by Bobbie (free for IPAC members)
- 5. FNESC (First Nation Steering Committee) Special Education Conference no reps attending
- **6. FNESC Annual Parents Club Grant**. Applied for \$1000 grant to support family swims and food for Gym nights. Letter of support provided by Komoks First Nation.
- 7. FNESC request for IPAC parent representative to attend BCCPAC (BC Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils) provincial meeting. November 24 and 25 in Richmond @ Vancouver Pacific Gateway Hotel.
 - ** Kathleen to represent IPAC at this meeting
- **8.** Plans for fall and winter activities hosted by IPAC
 - Family Swims @ Wave Pool
 - Rent room, families meet before swim, all swimmers go through to pay at once, meet up again after the swim
 - Family Swims at the Aquatic Centre are held on Sundays (9am to 1pm)
 - FIRST swim to be hosted on November 26th
 - Free to swim 9am to noon.
 - IPAC will provide lite lunch in meeting room until 1pm
 - ***Carpooling available for families looking for a ride
 - ***Family Bus passes (purchase passes for 5 families to ride bus)
 - ***sandwich and veggie platter, bottled water / juice boxes

9. Parent Night Out Fundraiser for IPAC Good Samaritans Fund @ Prime Chop House.

- Nicole checked into date for fundraiser.
- Date set aside Sunday, March 4th.

10. Discussion of setting Terms of Reference and an IPAC sub-committees

- Bruce to look to FNESC or DPAC or? for resources to develop a terms of reference
- No response from FNESC

11. Family Gym Night at Lake Trail Middle School (6-7:30pm)

- Posters going up in each school
- Posted on Facebook, emailed to all AbEd staff and IPAC members
- Applied for Equipment Grant from ISPARC and Canadian Tire Jump Start programs
- Chris Bukwas (wrestler) re: request / donation for equipment
- The Goat radio station offering donations of sports equipment
- Live 5210 Boxes (Early Years Initiative)

12. Good Samaritans fund

- Leah to look into protocols for accessing the fund
- Share protocols at November meeting
- Check in next month

13. IPAC clothing exchange November 28th

- Look at offering an exchange at an IPAC gym night
- 5:30 set up for exchange in foyer outside gym doors
- Bobbie to provide a write up on what an exchange looks like

14. Standing Agenda Items

- Welcome Back BBQ
- Summer Family Camps and Culture Day Camps

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, December 5th (6:00-7:30pm) at Lake Trail Middle School in the staff room

** potluck meal – eating at 5:30pm

PROPOSED for last Gym night before Winter Break (Tuesday, December 19th)

** special Christmas family event (Popcorn, hot chocolate, cookies, candy canes)

^{**} hold off until we find out how BCCPAC meeting goes