

Clinton Elementary School Parent Advisory Council

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2024-10-21 DPAC Report

MEETING SUMMARY

Monday, October 21st, 2024

1. Financial Controls and Procedures Handbook - an updated version is available. Presentation link Treasurers' Workshop
2. November 5th- Dr. Deborah MacNamara - Parent Information Evening - condensed registration link below. We look forward to more parents/caregivers of Burnaby K-12 students registering for this insightful speaker.*Note: there is no cost to attend this event. You can also email us, if you find it challenging to use the registration link.<https://dpac.burnabypac.ca/parent-education-evening>
3. Committee Opening - The Burnaby District Accessibility Advisory Committee is looking for one parent representative to join this committee. To the extent possible, persons with disabilities or parents of children with disabilities will be prioritized. For more information about the Accessibility Committee and the district plan, see the following link: <https://burnabyschools.ca/accessibility/>
4. Election to fill DPAC Executive Committee vacancy for the *Kingsway South Zone. DPAC rep from South Slope/BC School for the Deaf was unanimously elected.
5. Open Letter - Please share with all your parents and community

A coalition of BC DPACs, which includes Burnaby, has issued an open letter demanding the provincial government address the cost of portables, which are being paid for with funding designed for student learning, and to address the problem of over capacity at schools. More signatures on the letter increases the chances of fixing these problems. Please consider signing.

Burnaby has the 2nd highest number of portables, after Surrey. If you would like more information, see:<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/bc-portables-schools-feature-1.6967543>

6. School District New Strategic Plan

* SD 41 is in the process of updating their Strategic Plan, which identifies their priorities, sets their mission, vision, values and priorities.

* DPAC has been told there will be opportunities for parent engagement. More information to come.

* <https://burnabyschools.ca/new-strategic-plan/>

7. PAC webpage- Wordpress site, DPAC Exec Martin will support any PAC that is looking to join the webpage.

There's a form, 7 schools signed up so far; consolidate all PACs on one website. One PAC member from the school will work with Martin. More information below:

<https://dpac.burnabypac.ca/pac-website-project/>

8. Our next DPAC General Meeting is on Monday November 18 at Burnaby Central Secondary 7-9 pm. Also, any parent/guardian of a Burnaby student in K-12 is welcome to attend as a guest.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.