



District Parent Advisory Council

# DPAC Pulse

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**“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world”**

**-Nelson Mandela**

## DPAC EXECUTIVE UPDATES

### Next Stand Alone Night

The DPAC Executive is pleased to announce our next event: SCHOOL TRAFFIC SAFETY, hosted By DPAC in partnership with the Coquitlam & Port Coquitlam Community Police Stations. Supported by Coquitlam RCMP, Port Moody Police, Transit Police & ICBC. The event is FREE but you will need to register for attendance (online registration details to be communicated soon).

**DATE:** March 13, 2019

**TIME:** 7:00 pm – 8:30pm

**LOCATION:** Winslow Centre – Gallery Room  
(1100 Winslow Ave, Coquitlam)

### Sandy Maloney's Retirement Party

DPAC Executive wants to thank everyone who attended Sandy's retirement party during the busy month of December. We know she enjoyed and appreciated your consideration, friendship and respect. Thanks!

### Cross-Catchment Process 2019

Applications will be accepted starting February 7 at 9 a.m. and close February 13 at 4 p.m. For more information please check: <https://www.sd43.bc.ca/Schools/Pages/CrossCatchment.aspx>

## CONTACT US:

Do you have questions, comments, suggestions, or looking for a way to reach out to other PACs and their parents? Please contact the DPAC at:

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## President's Corner

### A message from DPAC President

With 2019 bursting onto the scene, our schedules seem to immediately fill with to do lists that fell behind over the break, finals for our high school students, the return of extra-curricular schedules and of course for many, the resolutions to improve from who we were a few short months ago. At DPAC the new year brings a new start for us as we said good-bye to Sandy Maloney in December and now welcome Laura Code to the office as our new staff member. Laura has a big learning curve to deal with, as do we all.

This month we hosted our second stand-alone parent education event, *Using Your Parent Voice at Your School and Beyond*, with presentations from BCCPAC President Andrea Sinclair and CEO John Gaipman. The presentation by Andrea and John was a good reminder of the important voice that parents have within the education system. As parents we are partners in the system, but more importantly, each of us are advocates for our own children. To fill this important role we need to make sure the lines of communication with our children are kept open. It's not enough to ask, "How was school today?" We all know the typical answer to that question. We need to explore ways to broaden that conversation. It may be as simple as asking about the most favourite and least favourite parts of the day. Or it may take more time and effort, such as keeping up with the classroom blog, corresponding with the teacher regularly or attending PAC meetings.

Whatever it is that we choose to do as parents will help contribute to that conversation with our children, and help us to help them through the struggles they face in their daily school routines. So that's one more priority for us to renew our focus on in the new year, but as parents, maybe it's the most important one of all.

**Marvin Klassen**

President DPAC43

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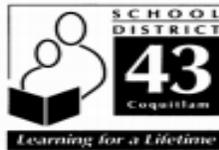
## News from BCCPAC

### Nominations to the Board of Directors – Deadline February 28

Members are encouraged to nominate their peers for the open positions on the Board of Directors which will be accepted [via email](#) until February 28, 2019 per our [Bylaws](#).

Nominations are open to regular members in good standing (Sec 5.5, Bylaws). Candidates for a position on the Board of Directors must be nominated by a member PAC or DPAC. Completed nomination forms must be received at the BCCPAC office by midnight February 28, 2019 (Sec 5.11, Bylaws).

For more information, please check website, <https://bccpac.bc.ca>

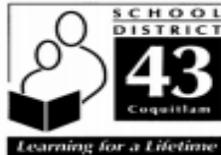


**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
TRUSTEE SCHOOL LIAISON ASSIGNMENTS  
2018-19 SCHOOL YEAR**

GROUP	TYPE	SCHOOL	TRUSTEE 2018-19
1	Secondary	Port Moody, Encompass	Lisa Park
	Middle	Hillcrest, Scott Creek	
	Elementary	Central, James Park, Roy Stibbs, Westwood, Aspenwood	
2	Secondary	Heritage Woods	Craig Woods
	Middle	Como Lake, Summit	
	Elementary	Eagle Ridge, Lord Baden-Powell, Porter Street, Walton, Bramblewood	
3	Secondary	Riverside	Michael Thomas
	Middle	Citadel, Eagle Mountain	
	Elementary	Anmore, Meadowbrook, Miller Park, Pinetree Way, Rochester	
4	Secondary	Dr. Charles Best	Barb Hobson
	Middle	Maillard	
	Elementary	Castle Park, Irvine, Leigh, Panorama Heights, R.C. MacDonald	
5	Secondary	Geneagle	Jennifer Blatherwick
	Middle	Kwayhquitlum, Maple Creek	
	Elementary	Baker Drive, Birchland, Glen, Hazel Trembath, Ranch Park	
6	Secondary	Centennial	Kerri Palmer Isaak
	Middle	Minnehada	
	Elementary	Glenayre, Moody, Mountain Meadows, Pleasantside, Hampton Park	
7	Secondary	Pinetree	Keith Watkins
	Middle	Montgomery	
	Elementary	Alderson, Coquitlam River, Mountain View, Nestor, Riverview Park	
8	Secondary	CABE, Continuing Education, Coquitlam Open Learning, Inquiry Hub, Suwa'lkh	Carol Cahoon
	Middle	Banting, Moody	
	Elementary	Blakeburn, Cedar Drive, Kilmer, Mundy Road, Parkland	
9	Secondary	Terry Fox	Christine Pollock
	Middle	Pitt River	
	Elementary	Cape Horn, Harbour View, Heritage Mountain, Mary Hill, Seaview, Smiling Creek	

*“Do not train a child to learn by force or harshness; but direct them to it by what amuses their minds, so that you may be better able to discover with accuracy the peculiar bent of the genius of each.”*

*-Plato*



**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
TRUSTEE PUBLIC CONTACT LIST**

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550 Poirier Street, Coquitlam, BC V3J 6A7  
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TRUSTEE	CONTACT INFORMATION	TERM ENDS
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Christine Pollock	Phone: 604-729-7540 Email: cpollock@sd43.bc.ca	2022
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<b>PORT MOODY</b>		
Lisa Park	Phone: 604-790-9406 Email: lpark@sd43.bc.ca	2022
Keith Watkins	Phone: 604-469-9117 Email: kwatkins@sd43.bc.ca	2022
<b>ANMORE/BELCARRA</b>		
Kerri Palmer Isaak	Phone: 604-861-0521 Email: kpalmerisaak@sd43.bc.ca	2022

## New Emails for DPAC EXECUTIVE

Here is a list of the new emails for the 2018/2019 SD43 DPAC Executive. We have changed the addresses to reflect the position of each member.

Name	Position	Email address
Marvin Klassen	President	president@dpac43.ca
Charlie Loo	Vice President	vicepresident@dpac43.ca
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Corrie Noble	Member at Large	member2@dpac43.ca
Lan Ti Tsai	Member at Large	member3@dpac43.ca
Helen Zeng	Member at Large	member4@dpac43.ca
Laura Code	Administrative Assistant/office	office@dpac43.ca

**Next DPAC General Meeting - February 27, 2019**

**7:00 pm – 9:00 pm @ Winslow Centre, Gallery Room**

*“Children must be taught how to think, not what to think.”*

*—Margaret Mead*