

Surrey District Parents Advisory Council

Wednesday October 22, 2025

7:03pm Meeting called to order -Anne Whitmore

7:04 Introduction of Surrey DPAC Executive Team

7:08 Theme of tonight 'E-Bikes, E-Scooters & Safety of Schools'

7:09 Earl Anderson-Surrey PD representative

- 1) Lots of complaints about e-bikes & scooters on sidewalks & road-ways & their safe operation
- 2) Surrey is not a municipality participating in e-scooter 'electric scooter pilot project'
[Electric kick scooter rules and safety - Province of British Columbia](#)
[Electric Kick Scooter Pilot Project Regulation](#)
- 3) E-scooters are NOT legal here in Surrey -\$109 fine for being ridden on roadways in Surrey (not being issued due to too much paperwork & focus is on education & awareness) 25km/h
Distracted driving, excessive speeding, impaired driving—current focus of Surrey PD
Surrey PD offers 2 wheel program---youth services order/request school presentation

7:23 Saverio Lattanzio -Surrey FD representative

- 1) Responding to increase of accidents scooter/vehicle injuries with increased severity -types of injuries—more abrasions, head injuries, broken bones etc
- 2) Increase of fire/combustible incidents due to batteries & mis-use of chargers and storage of e-scooters/e-bikes
- 3) E-scooter passengers rarely using helmets
- 4) 30km/hour increases 'survivability' in accidents & pilot projects trying to restrict speeds of e-bikes & e-scooters

7:34 Nicola Baker -Central Okanagan PAC -sharing presentation

- 1) Age restrictions –ie: 16 years of age to operate motor vehicle
- 2) Parents aren't aware of e-scooter or e-bike regulations or laws (easy & readily available for purchase)
- 3) Request Education of community for regulations & rules of E-bikes/E-Scooters by ICBC & local police forces

- 8:01 Meeting called to order-Anne Whitemore
- 8:02 Welcome & Land acknowledgement
- 8:03 Confirmed & Consensus
- 8:05 [2025.10.22 Surrey DPAC General Meeting Agenda - Google Docs](#)
- 8:06 quick survey—school transportation & e-school/e-bike regulations
- 8:15 DPAC report:
- kicked off big project --other than constitution & by-laws only policy---
working on draft policy manual (goal for January meeting)
 - October 18 DPAC training rescheduled to February 28 due to lack of
registration---lots of interest
 - conversations with SPD & SFD re: youth interactions-safety, mental health,
neurodivergent, laptop donations etc
 - Support Vancouver DPAC-school sales & closures
- 8:22 School Trustee -Bob Homes
- discussions/chatter about E-bike & E-Scooter regulations
 - enrollment decreased from last year \$11-\$14million (\$5-\$9million reduction for
budget) mostly due to Eastern migration (Fraser Valley, BC Interior & Alberta)
 - AI -safety discussions with Educators & Students
 - [Surrey Schools ONE | Digital Resources](#)
 - business development
 - advocacy for Education-meet City of Surrey & MLA
- 8:32 Finance Report-Bill Prasad-for DPAC -stress importance of transparency & sharing
local PAC budget spreadsheets & bank statements -confirm match & no gaps or
missing \$\$\$ ---only spend on approved spending
- Surrey DPAC working on templates for local PAC resources
- 8:39 Inclusion- Sheri-Hardcastle -request for completion of parent completion of family
voice survey---
- check out Inclusion section on Surrey DPAC Facebook page

Inclusive Education & Accessibility Resources

Tools for PACs to advance inclusion in schools.



Guide to Inclusive Education for Surrey Schools

An overview of inclusive education in our district—covering supports, policies, programs, and collaboration between families and schools to ensure all students belong.

Surrey Schools Accessibility Plan

SD36 3 year plan to meet the Accessible British Columbia Act mandate to identify, remove, and prevent barriers for people with disabilities.



Accessibility Plan Survey

Open form for parents to provide feedback to the district's Accessibility Plan.

Accessibility Barrier Survey

Open form to report any barriers to accessibility in Surrey schools.



BC Ombudsperson School Exclusion Survey

This questionnaire is for all students and families of students who attend a BC K-12 school to report any and every incident of school exclusion. This is an ongoing investigation and all responses are confidential.

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8:43 Gwynn Reddich -leadership training for local DPAC reps -focus on mentorship & peer collaboration, 6 different modules - dpac role, service oriented leadership, communication, inclusion, strong PACs, advocacy

Zoom -DPAC reps -specialized training

Training Dates: 7pm --- Oct 29, Nov 19, Jan 21, Feb 18, Apr 15, May 20

-not recorded—real-time &

8:45 Criminal Record Checks for Volunteers in Schools---inconsistent information being given to parents---different for each school, each class etc—creates stress & confusion

-concerns re: privacy & storage of parents personal information

-Each PAC executive is REQUIRED to have a criminal record check

-ALL ADULT VOLUNTEERS in schools are required to have a CRC (hot lunch, school events, drivers, etc)

9:06 Looking for 2 high schools to volunteer for training (ie: naloxone use & how to talk to your kids about drugs

-DPAC reps are available to attend local PAC meetings to give feedback, share ideas etc

9:08 Meeting Adjourned