

**MINUTES OF ECOLE DOROTHY LYNAS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
PARENTS ADVISORY COUNCIL  
HELD FEB 19<sup>th</sup>**

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**IN ATTENDANCE**

Jane Tom	Lisa Reid
Shaireen Merali	Christie Breakingbury
Suzanne Siemens	Arlie Thompson
Lisa Harrington	Kim Grimwood
KellyAnn Little	Heather Coffin
Cheryl Learmonth	Heather Daoust
Yael Drinkle	Susan Kanaoya
Craig Siemens	Nicky Douglas
Karen Barnett	Simin Hosseinzadeh

**MEETING**

1. Call to Order – 7:00 meeting called to order by Craig
2. Agenda adopted
3. Principal's report: Arlie Thompson  
Performance arts concerts upcoming, also an Artist in Residence will be coming in June.

Gr 4-7 – Participated in FSA Ministry assessments. Parents will receive scores after evaluations.

Kindie assessments – Tests were administered for phonological awareness and readiness for learning to read. Lower scores get remediation with LAC teacher. Letters will go home to parents about readiness and development.

Numeracy testing for Kindies will be held at the end of February and will identify support needs.

Satisfaction surveys. Gr 4 & 7. Logon information sent home. Ministry website to access survey about variety of items in kids school experiences. Results go directly to the Ministry. Kids will complete these also this month.

Thanks to the PAC for organizing and hosting for Family Fun Night. It was lots of fun !

Gr 4-7 Geography Challenge was held recently. It is a Canada wide competition.

Official Pink Shirt Day – Wed Feb 26 – wear a little pink every day all week. Kids will receive reminders during the week.

Music Festivals Upcoming: Strings Festival Mar 6 Lucas Centre

Band Festival Mar 6 Lucas Centre

Dorothy Lynas has retained their Music Program – 57 children in band – very healthy strings program as well.

French Festival in March – stations will be set up in the gym at DL.

The topic of Self Regulation, as reviewed during Staff Collaboration days, has been well received by all.

4. Teachers' Reports: Track & Field coming up. Gr 4-7.  
Primary KM Club will run from the end of April until mid -June.

5. Heather Daoust: Seycove Auction March 1<sup>st</sup>.  
Live Auction items are great. Silent Auction and Baskets will have some great items too.  
The menu looks excellent.  
North Shore News ads will be placed before and after the Auction to thank our Sponsors.  
Loot bags will be going home for all. Tickets on Sale NOW !

6. May 2: Pro D Day – iGirl and iGuy - through Saleema Noon: Sexual Health Educators.  
Will be held for grade 4-7 students only.  
The content is age appropriate and will cost \$25 per child.  
It will be held at Parkgate – 5 hrs with a break in between.  
Online Registrations opens after Spring Break.

7. Guest Speaker: Donna Coates. RN, Youth Programs speaks on the topic of Bullying.  
See the [www.erasebullying.ca](http://www.erasebullying.ca) for more information.

Bullying can take on many forms: Physical, Social Emotional Bullying, CyberBullying and Sexual Bullying.

The District is creating a curriculum around Social Media and websites where a lot of bullying is taking place.

Seycove kids will come talk to the Grade 6`s about sites like Facebook and Instagram.

Bullying is behavior that is persistent over time. When it is persistent targeting on a student then we take action.

Our code of conduct states we should act with: Respect. Responsibility. Safety. If kids are behaving according to code, they cannot be labelled a bully.

We need to reinforce how kids can make good choices.

How do parents engage with school if there is a bullying incident?

Kids may not tell because they think they are tattling. Tattling vs reporting – reporting is about safety.

Let the teacher or the Principal know directly and immediately. Don't wait.

Thank you to Donna for a most informative presentation.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:45 pm

**Next PAC Meeting will be a morning meeting Tuesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> from 8:45-9:45 am in the MultiPurpose Room.**