

2290 District Parents' Advisory Council

Policy 2290

STATUS: ADOPTED

DISTRICT PARENTS' ADVISORY COUNCIL

Board Approved and Codified: February 13, 1989

Last Revised: June 19, 2013; December 9, 2015

Description:

To encourage and facilitate communication among each school's Parent Advisory Council and the Board of Education, the Board supports the formation of the Peace River South District Parent Advisory Council.

The purpose of the Peace River South Parent Advisory Council is to provide a regular opportunity for delegates from each school Parent Advisory Committee to meet and consult with each other on issues of general interest which affect the education of their children.

The Peace River South Parent Advisory Council will have consultation with the Board of Education as a major objective. Such consultation may occur for the following reasons:

- i) to clarify policy or discuss the implementation within schools of new policy;
e.g., May consult where the board proposes to offer a specialty academy
- ii) to receive and convey information and ideas;
- iii) to make recommendations to the Board, when appropriate.
e.g., May make recommendations to a board to install and operate a video surveillance camera in a school or on a school land

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Organization and Procedures

1. The Peace River South District Parent Advisory Council shall consist of two parts:
 - i) The Peace River South District Parent Advisory Council Executive consisting of the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and other executive members as required. This shall include two members from each School Parent Advisory Council of which one of these members shall have voting privileges at meetings.
 - ii) Other parents with children attending S.D. #59 (Peace River South) schools shall make up the general membership.
2. The Peace River South District Parent Advisory Council Executive shall be elected at a general meeting called by the past executive early in the school year.
3. The President of the Executive shall be a custodial parent or guardian of a child in the school district.
4. The District Parent Advisory Council must make bylaws governing its meetings and the business and conduct of its affairs, including bylaws governing the dissolution of the council.
5. The District Parent Advisory Council should practice sound accounting and internal control procedures.

Meetings

1. The Executive shall determine the date and time of its regular monthly meetings.
2. Parent Advisory Councils – Schools, shall be notified of all meetings and agenda topics.
3. The Executive shall be encouraged to sponsor larger public meetings as the need and interest arises.
4. Minutes of meetings of the P.R.S.D.P.A.C. Executive and the P.R.S.D.P.A.C. monthly meetings shall be kept and recommendations recorded.
5. Sub-Committees: The P.R.S.D.P.A.C. shall encourage the involvement of school-community members by means of participation in consultative and activity oriented sub-committees.

Board Co-ordination

1. An operating budget shall be considered for approval each year to cover expenses such as travel, in service, coffee supplies, copying costs, telephone calls and other incidental expenses incurred by the executive of the P.R.S.D.P.A.C.
2. A Trustee shall be available as a liaison person for the P.R.S.D.P.A.C., to clarify policies and procedures of the Board of School Trustees.

3. The Superintendent shall appoint a senior staff member as contact person for the P.R.S.D.P.A.C. and its committees.
4. Minutes of the P.R.S.D.P.A.C. executive and monthly meetings shall be received by the contact people.