Standing resolution committee-support services and funding

Report and recommendations to BCCPAC Board January 21st 2009

Fiona Delcourt- Chair

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February 2009

The committee consists of Fiona Delcourt, Chris Rempel and Stephanie Hotchkiss.
The committee met via conference call on January 21st 2009.

We are recommending that all resolutions dealing with special education, be sent to a committee.
Please see attachment for terms of reference.

The committee recommends the following resolutions go to the Specialized Education Resolution Advisory Committee:

2006.5 Special Education Category for Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder
2006.6 Funding for Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Education/Behaviour Consultants
2004.32 Clarification of Special Education Categories and Funding
2004.33 Delay of Funding Withdrawal for Special Needs Students
2004.35 High Incidence Students
2003.11 Selection Criteria for Teachers in Special Education Resource Positions
2003.15 Funding to Support Special Education
2003.16 Under-funding of Special Education
2003.17 Funding for Gifted Students
2001.9 To Better Serve Requirements of Students with Special Needs
2000.11 Revisions to the Individual Education Plan (I.E.P.) Process
1999.11 Funding for Special needs children
1998.10 Oppose the Elimination of Target Funding for Special Needs
1995.7 Funding for Identification of Learning Disabled Students

For all other resolutions the committee is making the following recommendations:

These resolutions were recommended by the past board to be deleted (archived) or achieved. The committee is reaffirming the decisions the board made.

Archived- previously referred to as deleted

The notes are from the previous board.

2005.16 Equal Funding for all aboriginal Public School Students – Not achievable
2005.18 School Board Decision on Distributed Electronic Learning Program – This resolution is no longer relevant. The new DL legislation makes it this way.
2005.19 Distributed Electronic Learning Reimbursement Guidelines – The new DL legislation makes this resolution no longer relevant.
2004.rc3 Improved post secondary access for BC students – Not within the purposes of BCCPAC
2004.6 Reduction of the Ministry of Education "walk limits" – not achievable as walk limits no longer exist in the Ministry funding formula
2004.15 Teacher- Librarian Staffing – not achievable
2003.12 Restore funding for Education in BC to the 2001/2002 Level – this is unachievable as 2001/2002 levels are no longer relevant.
2003.13 Funding for Legislated Increases in Teacher Salaries and Benefits for 2002/2003 – no longer relevant as Teachers have new contract with new Salaries.
2003.28 Raising Public Awareness of cuts to Education – this resolution is outside the purposes of BCCPAC
2002.20 Service Reductions in Rural Communities - this resolution is outside the purposes of BCCPAC

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2000.20 Education Funding Review – This resolution has been replaced by resolution 2005.13
2000.29c Rural Schools – This is a Canadian Home and School resolution
1998.7 Tracking of PAC contributions –This is unachievable, BCCPAC has tried tracking surveys etc and were unable to get the information required
1999.10 Under –funding of Education – Not within our Mandate
1999.13 BCCPAC Funding – Ongoing with BCCPAC can be archived.

Achieved

The notes are from previous board.

2006.8 Access to gaming funds for school playgrounds – achieved
2004.10 Government Commitment to Successful Rural Education – achieved
2004.12 Change Ministry Funding for Distance Education – Achieved
2004.11 Distance Education Fee – Achieved
2004.13 Student Fee – achieved
2002.7 DPAC Funding – achieved with Gaming
2001.10 Wilderness Funding – intent achieved
2000.27c GST on reading materials – Achieved, only action required was a letter

The committee is making the following recommendations:

Active:

Note: some of these may change to archived/achieved category once we get more information.
2007.9 Playground installation funding
2005.9 Early Diagnosis of Vision Problems-is this available free for preschool children already?
2005.13 Public inquiry on Funding Formula for Public Education
2005.14 Review of Regulations Governing use of Disposal of Surplus Capital Assets
2004.14 Sound Field Systems
2004.26 Federal Funding for Immigrant Schooling-letter
2004.31 Restoring Gaming funds for Educational Parent Conferences
2004.34 District Financial Reporting of Staffing
2003.5 Permanent Presence of Specialized Intervention and Prevention Drug Abuse Counselors in Schools
2003.9 Flexibility to Direct PAC funds
2003.18 Maintain Current Levels for MCFD School-based funding
2002.21 Restoration of Parent Education Funding
2001.2 Enhancing Involvement of parents of Aboriginal Students
2000.12 Funding for all day Kindergarten-reaffirm with letter and then move to archived
2000.14 Clarifying Education Funding in BC-reaffirm with letter and then recommend an information session at a conference or information on website.

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Archived:

Note: members could be informed that if these are still of importance or relevant that a new resolution should be brought forward with current, up-to-date information.

2003.14 Joint Strategy to Assess Impact of underfunding
2000.3 Middle School Funding
2000.16 Increased Non-academic support services for students in grades 6-12
1999.7 Adequate Funding for new Curriculum Implementation
1999.12 Funding for All-Day Kindergarten-2000.12 is still in the Active category. We felt it was more up to date than this one.
1999.14 Universal Elementary Music
1999.17 Restriction of School Districts to Raise Funds
1998.11 Small Community-based Schools
1997.6 Teacher-Librarian funding
1997.7 Funding to support information technology
1992.4C Improving the Education System for Native Students

Achieved:

2007.12 Increased Direct Access Funds for some PACs
2005.8 Teen Suicide Prevention-the intent of resolution has been achieved.

Since the resolutions require that BCCPAC urge, request, recommend, appeal, reiterate, etc. The committee suggests that once those actions have been taken, that the resolutions be moved to an "acted upon" category. This may help to focus BCCPAC on the most current and relevant issues to our members.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Standing Resolution Committee-Support Services and Funding

Fiona Delcourt
Chair

Attachment- terms of reference proposal

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Terms of Reference Proposal

Committee Name: Specialized Education Resolution Advisory Committee

Committee Type: Advisory or Standing

Chairman: To be appointed by BCCPAC Board

Responsible to: BCCPAC Board of Directors or Appointee

Purpose: To address issues surrounding special education resolutions and provide recommendations to BCCPAC and or the Ministry of Education.

Authority: (limited or agent; agent or advisor) Limited Advisor

Timeframes, Reporting and Deadlines: To be decided by BCCPAC Board

Composition: BCCPAC Board member or appointee, Learning Disabilities Association, Autism Society, CUPE, whomever Board deems essential depending on the nature of the resolutions.

Staff Support: Secretary to keep minutes, laptop for minutes to be forwarded to the Board as efficiently as possible, conference call capability.

Other Resources: To be determined by nature of resolutions.

Communication with Board through: Committee Chairperson or BCCPAC appointee.

Specific Areas of Responsibility:
Consult with the appropriate partners in order to address the issues stated by membership resolutions.
Provide recommendations to BCCPAC.
Any additional or alternate directives from BCCPAC Board.

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