BCCPAC Representation Report

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Name of Event: Education Advisory Council
Date of Event: June 16, 2010
Location of Event: Simon Fraser University at Harbor Centre

This was the final meeting of this group for the year and focused on education in the future.

Ministry Update

Sherri Mohoruk spoke for the MoE as James Gorman was unable to attend. The Ministry is focusing internal discussions on what education should look like in the future to ensure student success. They have been connecting with experts in the field of 21st century learning including John Abbott, Jeff Hopkins, Valerie Hann from Great Britain, and consulted with several other countries. Focus groups have been occurring on personalized learning and delivery of services. Ministry staff is being brought up to speed so they are able to answer questions. School Boards are submitting budgets as the school year closes.

Neighborhood Learning Centers

- Neighborhood learning centers look to maximize Capital Investment and underutilized space reducing overall government costs
- Desire to have Ministries work together
- Working on determining what is going on in communities to reduce barriers, working with UBCM /Trustees to build evaluation framework
- Some communities well established, others still struggling
- Government remains committed to this initiative and the concept that schools owe a duty
- New website available for NLC, hoping will become forum for shared ideas and best practices

Overview of K-12

- Overview of the variables and relationship of enrolment and funding
- Forecast is that enrolment will level off and rise slightly over next 7 years

Student Voice

- See attached document: Student Voice