



BC CONFEDERATION OF PARENT ADVISORY COUNCILS

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Rhona Martin, President
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RE: 2013 B.C. CONFEDERATION OF PARENT ADVISORY COUNCILS - MEMBER RESOLUTIONS

Dear Rhona Martin,

At the 2013 BCCPAC Annual General Meeting, member delegates representing Parent Advisory Councils (PACs) and District Parent Advisory Councils (DPACs) gathered together from around the province to discuss important issues vital to student success and approved several resolutions.

At this time, we would like to bring to your attention the following resolutions:

2013.3 Change To Funding Formula For New School Construction

The BCCPAC lobby the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Finance to change the current funding formula when calculating the anticipated enrolment of a new or replacement school. It is requested that this new formula would utilize leading indicators like pre-school enrolment and birth rates, as well as current K-12 population, to predict appropriate school size requirements in the planning and funding process.

2013.9 Legislation for District and School-based Emergency Preparedness Plans

The BCCPAC lobby the BC Government on behalf of all parents and BC students to enact provincial legislation which puts a legal requirement on boards of education and local governments to develop district and school-based emergency preparedness plans in co-operation with provincial authorities. Such legislation should require that schools have personnel with training and equipment as well as funding for emergency supplies and kiosks at school sites. The cost of this program should be shared between the participating local governments, Boards of Education and the appropriate Provincial Authorities.

We kindly ask that you review these resolutions and provide a written response indicating steps you are prepared to take to address the concerns expressed in these resolutions. We also welcome an opportunity to discuss them in person with your organization at your earliest convenience.

We have included a compilation of all the approved resolutions from our 2013 annual general meeting and corresponding rationale for your convenience.

If you have any comments or questions please respond to info@bccpac.bc.ca

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Terry Berting". The signature is stylized and cursive, with a horizontal line extending to the left from the start of the name.

Terry Berting, BCCPAC President
On behalf of the BCCPAC Board of Directors
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