BC CONFEDERATION OF PARENT ADVISORY COUNCILS



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RE: 2013 B.C. CONFEDERATION OF PARENT ADVISORY COUNCILS - MEMBER RESOLUTIONS

Dear Minister Lake,

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:

2013.5 Reaffirm Special Resolutions #2 as an Ordinary Resolutions relating to lice checks in schools.

The BCCPAC urge the Provincial Government to mandate Health Authorities to support volunteers conducting lice checks in schools.

2013.11 On/Off Switches for WiFi Routers and Protocol for the Use of Wireless Devices

BCCPAC calls on Boards of Education:

- 1. to provide on/off switches to WiFi routers; and
- 2. to establish a protocol of use that
- (i) WiFi routers and WiFi/3G functions of computers/laptops/tablets are to be turned on only when they are needed for access to the internet via the wireless network; and
- (ii) Bluetooth function is to be turned on only if it is needed for accessing other Bluetooth-enabled devices.
- 3. to observe safety warnings and follow safety instructions in the user manual of iPad by reducing the duration of use under wireless mode and keeping the iPads away from the students' bodies.

Note:

- 1. and 2.(i) are for schools in which WiFi has been installed.
- 2.(i) and 2.(ii) are for all schools with computers, laptops and tablets that have WiFi/3G/Bluetooth functions.
- 3. is for schools in which iPads are used.

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

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

Sincerely,

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On behalf of the BCCPAC Board of Directors

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