

Changes to DPAC bylaws passed unanimously at September 27, 2007 DPAC executive meeting

For consideration for ratification at October 25, 2007 city-wide PAC executive orientation meeting

I move that:

Article VI, Officers of the Council, Section 1: be amended by striking out the phrase “a), b) or c) below” in sentence 1 and replacing it with the phrase “a) or b) below, and by striking out the words “ in equal numbers” and “administrative areas” from sentence 2, and by striking out item ‘c) have a child who attends a school in the area s /he wishes to represent’ and re-lettering item ‘d) be subject to provisions of Article X (Perception of Bias)’ to become item c) and by re-lettering item e) to become item d).

The amended Article VI, Section 1: would then read:

Section 1: The officers of the District Parent Advisory Council shall form the executive council, hereafter referred to as Executive Council, and shall consist of the chair, vice-chair, secretary and treasurer and eight (8) members at large and up to two community representatives who shall have a voice but no vote and will not be subject to a) or b) below. Executive Council membership shall consist of twelve (12) parent representatives elected from the Vancouver School District. To be eligible for election/appointment to the Executive Council an individual must:

- a) be a parent/guardian of a child in grades K-12 in School District #39
- b) be endorsed by the Parent Advisory Council of which s/he is a member
- c) be subject to the provisions of Article X (Perception of Bias)
- d) be an advocate of public education.

And that

Article VI, Officers of the Council, Section 5 a):be amended by striking out “in the area in which the vacancy occurs” and inserting “city-wide” before the word “ratification” and inserting “PAC chair/” before “DPAC” in sentence 2, and by striking out “area” and inserting “city” before “DPAC” in sentence 4.

The amended Article VI, Section 1 a) would then read:

- a) In the event that the number of candidates wishing to fill the vacant positions does not exceed the number of vacancies, Executive Council shall in a timely fashion, review the candidates and nominate candidates to fill the vacancies. The nominations will be subject to city-wide ratification by PAC chairs/DPAC representatives. The Executive Council will determine the method of ratification. Following ratification by city DPAC representatives, the Executive Council shall appoint members to the Executive Council for the remainder of the school year.

And that

Article VI, Officers of the Council, Section 11 a): be amended by striking out “meet residence requirements (Article III, Section 2c)” and inserting “be a parent/guardian of a child in grades K-12 in School District 39”.

The amended Article VI, Section 11 a) would then read:

Membership on the DPAC Executive Council shall be terminated for the following reasons:

- a) ceasing to be a parent/guardian of a child in grades K-12 in School District 39.

And that

Article XI Code of Conduct, Section 4 b): be amended by deleting the word “area” before the word “district” in sentence 1, and by deleting the word “area” before the word “PAC” and by deleting the word “area” before the word “district” in sentence 2.

The amended Article XI, Section 11 b) would then read:

As terms of their leave of absence the district parent/candidate shall:

- b) withdraw from all DPAC functions during their leave (e.g. attendance at PAC meetings as a district parent, attendance at DPAC meetings, etc.). The district parent will refer any phone requests from PAC chairs to fell district parents.

And that

Article XIV Amendment of Bylaws: be amended by striking out the word “area” and inserting the word “city-wide” before the word “meeting” in sentence 2.

The amended Article XIV would then read:

These bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of Executive Council members, providing that the notice of amendment was given at a previous Executive Council meeting and printed/circulated in the minutes of that meeting. All bylaw amendments are subject to ratification by a 2/3 vote of school DPAC representatives present and voting at the city-wide meeting following the DPAC executive decision. IF not so ratified, the amendment is deemed rescinded.