

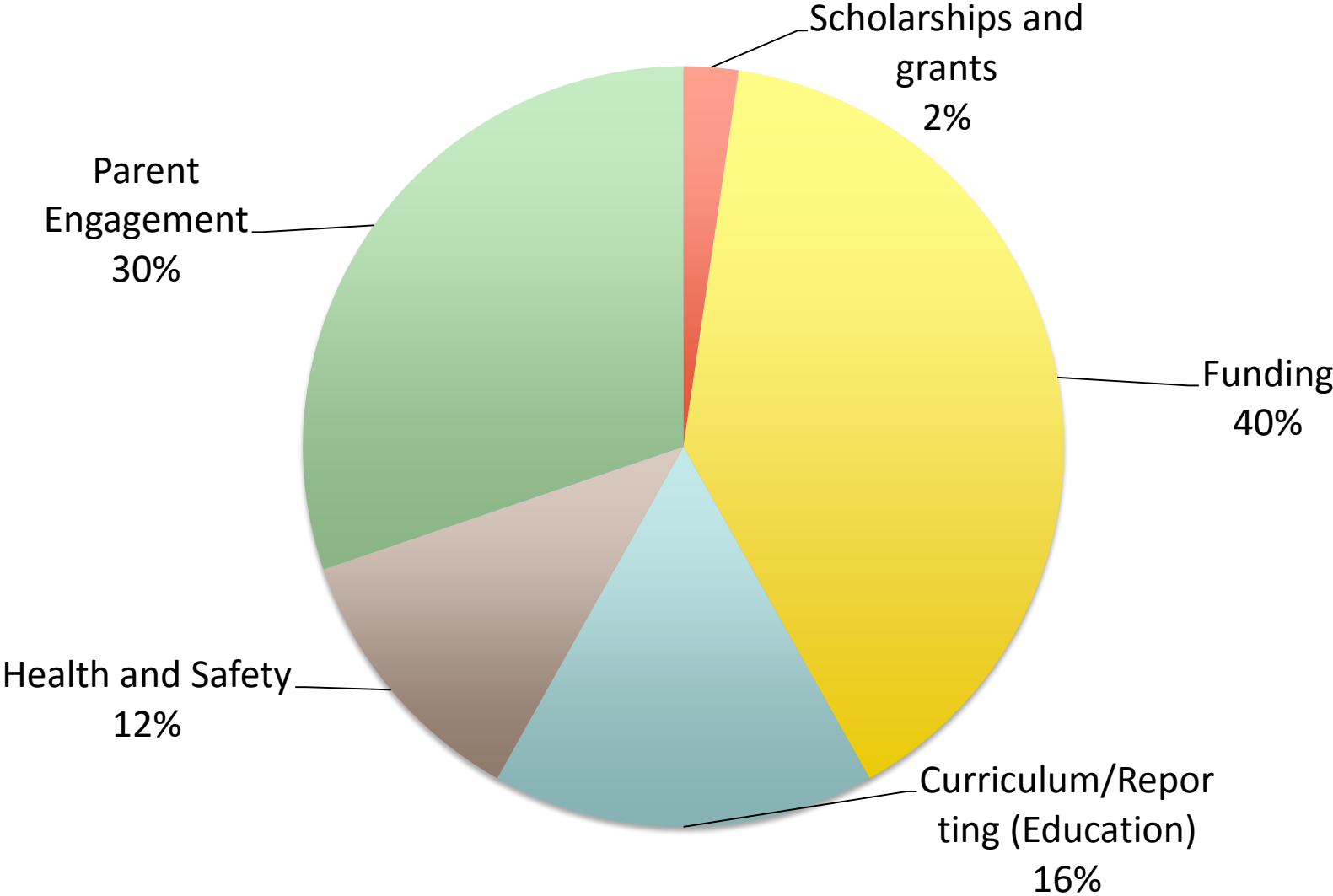
Parent Forum in September

1. Which topics are most important for parents in the current year?
2. What steps should DPAC take to address these priorities?
3. What challenges might DPAC face?
4. Suggestions to ensure success in pursuit of the topics of importance?

VOTES**WHICH TOPICS ARE IMPORTANT PRIORITIES**

11	Funding for extracurricular activities, field trips, school sports (sponsors to sponsor), play grounds.
8	Parent Engagement. (facebook, websites)
5	Teacher/admin grading performance.
3	Curriculum changes
3	Programming, accessibility & availability to choice programs (AP, excep needs, sp ed)
2	Discrimination/racism
2	Nutrition in schools
2	Overcrowding of schools & lack of high school space (CAPITAL FUNDING)
1	Communication New curriculum, SPC, reporting, translation services
1	Fighting crime in the area
1	Fresh grade & new reporting & safety of student's info.
1	Less use of portables and overcrowding
1	More student led learning
1	Pro-D's # of quality control, school based needs/district
1	Scholarships/honors/grants is there a resources for accessing

Topics of importance to Surrey Parents in 2015/16



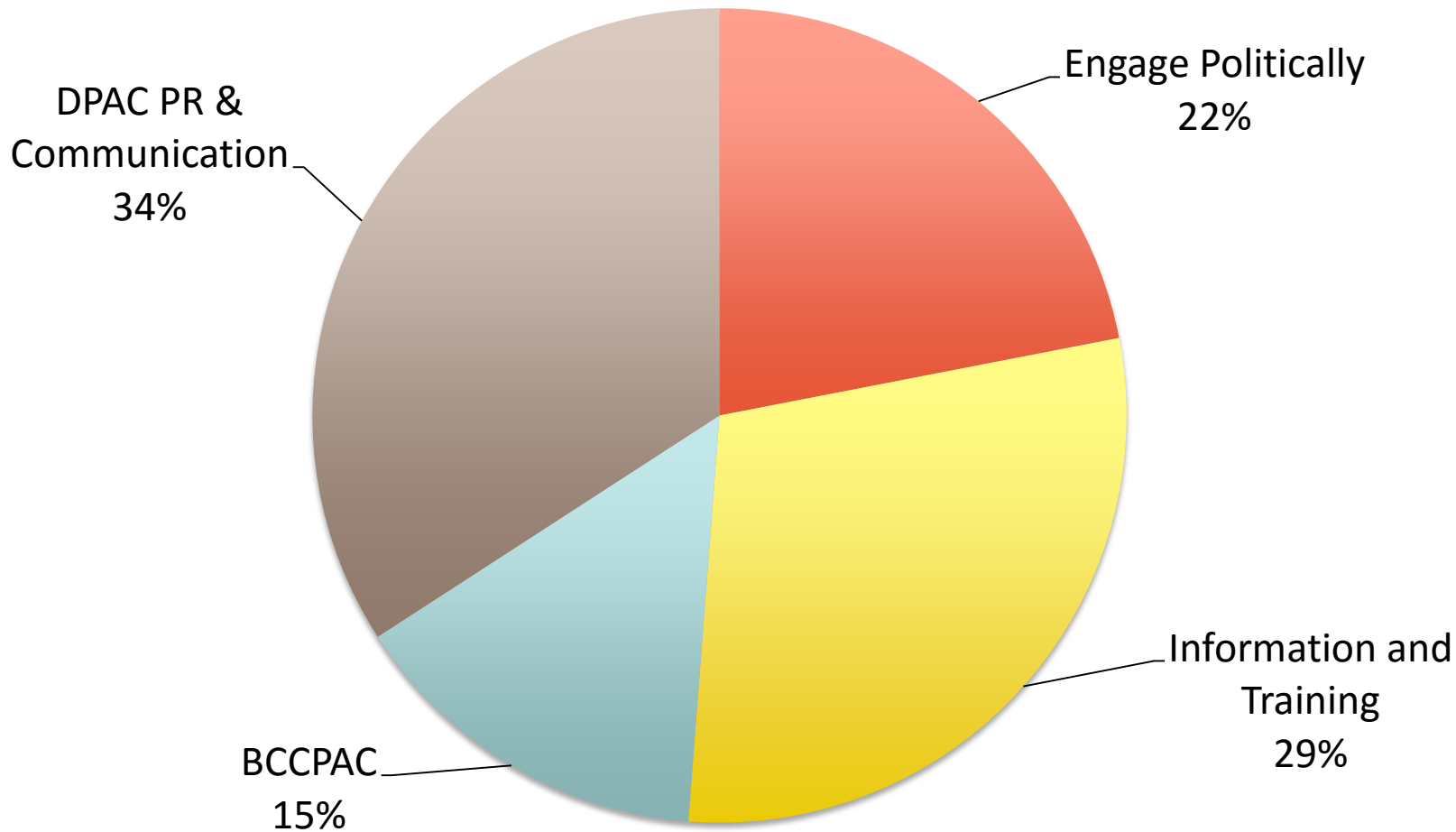


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STEPS TO MEET PRIORITIES

14	Give info to PACs to ensure that that DPAC role is clear- more PR from DPAC- what DPAC can and cannot do for parents
6	Ensure stronger representation in BCCPAC
5	Provide more avenues for all parents to give feedback eg surveys, more meetings, suggestion board on website
4	Split meetings on info topics eg by elementary and secondary; north and south etc
3	Aids or templates available to help parents communicate with the ministry so that the parents don't feel intimidated
3	More direct line with decision makers lose the middle man. Communicate directly with the ministry of Ed.
3	Provide workshops/tools to help PACS/parents run effective PAC's
2	Engage local politicians to assist with advocacy
1	Cluster some schools + board member to address concerns

Steps to Meet the Priorities



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CHALLENGES

4	DPAC influence on legislation
3	Admin and District may not agree
3	Determining Priorities – setting realistic expectations
3	Parent input – reaching all parents
3	Parent involvement
2	Communication – ELL Parents – how things work
2	Finances/ Funding
1	Circle of questions – same ones over with no resolution
1	Parent input – sustained participation
1	Red Tape
1	Time and capacity ‘not knowing’

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OVERCOME CHALLENGES

7	360 communication (parent-PAC-DPAC-District)
6	Let parents know there is a DPAC & PAC
5	DPAC have access to technology to communicate
5	Open/Honest/ Anonymous Communication
2	Letting Parents know where funding \$ is going
1	Issue at hand, poll issues we want as topic to discuss
1	Proper resources
1	Provide information in a timely manner
1	Reporting/ Planning in PAC/ Participation