

**Parent Group Leader**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**2/12/2013**

**Attendance:** Lynette Hammon, Claudia Stewart, Denis Bacon, Valerie Hamilton, Jennifer Fisher

**Anti-Bullying:** Denise Bacon

The Growing Problem of Cyber-Threats and Internet Intimidation – Simon Tam  
Bystanders often suffer effects of bullies and bullying as much as bullies or victims do.

1 in 5 teenage girls have posted a nude or semi-nude photo/video of themselves.  
Trolling and LULZ

**What Parents Can Do:**

Get digitally literate. ALS – age, sex, location. Don't divulge.

Talk about it from an early age.

Set boundaries.

Watch the mailbox.

Discuss cyber bullying news.

Ask questions.

Get to know their friends.

Teach them about consequences.

Contact the authorities.

**What Community Members Can Do:**

Understand the tools: texting, social media

Shed more light on the issue, don't wait until it is too late.

Get to know the law.

Develop resources for victims seeking help.

Determine what consequences perpetrators should face: criminalization?

Support the local school district and organizations that fight bullying.

Continue to explore solutions: text crisis hotline?

**PACE Foundation:**

Started by a touring rock band.

Appropriate language and icons used to belittle others and empower individuals.

Help students find their voice through music, poetry, and writing.

"Listen" and provide a safe community.

Develop an anti-bullying culture within schools.

**Resources:**

Stopbullying.gov

Cyberbullying.us

Bullyingstatistics.org