

LSS PAC MEETING

Monday, November 28, 2022

In attendance: Erika Peebles, Tanya Lightbody, Natalie Carmichael, Cathy Worrall, Chantale Hubbs, Jen Elderkin

Principal: Dean Pacheco

MEMBERS:

President: Tanya Lightbody

Treasurer: Erika Peebles

Secretary: Natalie Carmichael

DPAC Rep: Chantale Hubbs

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Adoptions of minutes from the previous LSS PAC meeting. Motion to accept minutes by Erika Peebles and seconded by Natalie Carmichael. Motion Carried
3. Administration Report:
 - Reported some wins for our school teams. Junior soccer team won against Brookwood. Senior Girls volleyball team is off to Kelowna this weekend for Provincials.
 - Successful take your kids to work day for the grade 9/10s. Approximately 250 kids participated and approximately 80 to 100 kids were at the school.
 - Literacy 12 assessments were on November 12. There are four chances to write this. There will be further dates in January.
 - PSI Day – Post Secondary Institution Day was also on November 12. Most schools came. Good chance for the kids to check out a lot of post secondary schools.
 - Report cards published today.
 - J.R. Larose presenting on November 29, 2022 – speaking about resiliency, overcoming obstacles and believing in yourself.
 - Grad Activities – Grade movie day. About 100 kids participated.
 - Junior Dance was a success. Approximately 140 kids attended. Grade 12s helped at the dance and over \$1,000 was raised for Grad Dinner/Dance.
 - Senior Dance is next week and any funds raised will go to the Grad Dinner/Dance
 - December 6, 2022 – Safe Teen presentation. 7 groups, 3 girl groups, 4 boy groups, students can choose the group they self identify with. The topics

covered will be violence prevention, building healthy relationships, setting boundaries, dealing with conflict. Will be back in February as well.

- December 16 is Breakfast with Santa. This is open to community/family members. There will be staff volunteers to cook breakfast and may also need parent volunteers to assist. Breakfast will start being cooked at 6:00 a.m.
- Halal food will be served. Muslim families will share their traditional breakfast foods as well.
- The school received a \$1,000 donation from the community to help pay for food.
- Grade 9 immunizations will be on January 19, 2023.
- Grad Photos – link sent out in the beginning of the year is active for students to book their photos.

4. President's Report:

- Discussions regarding teacher requests / allocation of gaming grant. Meeting scheduled for December 12, 2022 in order to vote in the budget to allocate funding for these requests. We do not have enough money to cover all of the requests. We will have to go through and calculate what can be given. Some items will have to come out of the general account.

5. Vice-President's report – n/a

6. Treasurer's report:

- Received cheque from PAC donations in the amount of \$1,775 which brings the general account to \$17,525.01 in general account, although the \$10,000 for the school bus still needs to come out of the account. \$35,270.74 in gaming account.
- Tanya and Natalie to attend at Coast Capital to become new signers on account

7. Secretary's report – nothing to report.

8. DPAC report:

- The DPAC meeting was on November 17, 2022.
- DPAC is active on social media and more than happy to post/re-post on school's behalf.
- Some topics included:
 - i. Guiding Principles of Assessment - 6 guiding principles for teachers: Strength based and reflect students' skill in relation to the curricular competencies, ongoing descriptive feedback, empower students, clear learning intentions and communication success, guide students in guided learning.
 - ii. Administrators would have sent out a family document called "Reporting on Student Learning" ([copy link provided here](#)) assessment should be based on where student is by the end of the process.
 - iii. Ministry moving to proficiency scale vs letter grades. Move away from marks and focus on learning.

- iv. SD 35 has been moving in this direction for about 4 four years. Langley currently does K-9. 2022/2023 is first full year. Slowly moving in this direction. 10-12 will continue with letter grades and percentages.
 - v. Proficiency scale review (Emerging, Developing, Proficient, Extending) these should not be translated to grades. These levels are not equal in terms of their size. They could spend longer in emerging and developing rather than other categories, but are still taking time to work on the learning.
- **Trustee Report** – Joel Neufeld, Trustee
 - vi. Trustee Neufeld introduced as the new Board of Education representative to DPAC. DPAC President, Alicia Rempel, thanked previous representative Trustee Ward for his time with DPAC and welcomed Trustee Neufeld to the meeting.
- **Superintendent Report** – Brian Iseli, Secretary Treasurer
 - i. Lock down at Walnut Grove Secondary. Staff and students responded well and it went quite smoothly. It was lifted quite quickly. It was traumatic for some staff and students and are debriefing with RCMP. District has decided to hire an outside agency to see what we can learn from this. It's an emergency response agency that will come in. It has started and we should see some recommendations to come out of this. Four new members to onboard so lots of learning going on.
 - ii. In the last year of the strategic plan. It's the road map for the district and playbook for trustees / district to support students and staff. It was done four years ago and Mal will return to consult with DPAC and the board to develop the plan for the next four years.
 - iii. Brookwood Police incident – The parents were given general information and didn't know what went on. The nature of the incident should be highlighted. Parents were frustrated to get a generic email that said there was an incident and it has been resolved.
- **Tax Receipt process** – Brian
 - i. Review of original motion (October 21 2021 general meeting) - have DPAC advocate for the SD35 school district to accept, hold and disperse tax receipt-able donation on behalf of PAC fundraising efforts without charging any fees or additional costs.
- **Supporting learners with special needs and diverse learning** – Resha
 - i. Approx two years ago we held a meeting where Michael Morgan presented and it was very well received. We are proposing to separate out between 2-3 meetings instead of one meeting to ask questions.

- ii. Communication will go out by email to DPAC reps seeking feedback and what parents are looking for from these meetings (Jan / Feb Meetings)
- **President's Report - Alicia Rempel**
 - i. Chantale and Alicia will attend BCCPAC Leadership conference. It's a provincial conference to see how other DPACs are learning / developing. We will hear from the Ministry of Education and Child Care along with some other presenters and have a chance to liaise with other DPACs
 - ii. DPAC participated in the Affordability Fund planning - the district does have a plan and this will be shared with schools shortly. We went through a comprehensive consultation process where DPAC was consulted and hopefully, your Principal engaged your PAC as well. We can be really proud of the process our district took. Families and schools will benefit from these funds. Details pending!
- **Treasurer's Report – Jodi Stiglic**
 - i. Review of accounts General, Gaming and EFT Account.
 - ii. Reminder Food safe and BCCPAC payments can be claimed via DPAC and reimbursed! Send your cheque rec and receipts to treasurer@langleydpac.ca
- Thank you to Chantale for attending the DPAC meeting and keeping us informed.
- 9. New business: PAC to send minutes to principal so that they can be posted on the school website for all school community members to view.

Meeting adjourned at 7:34