

## **LSS PAC MEETING SEPTEMBER 25, 2023**

In attendance: Cathy Worall, Natalie Carmichael, Lee-Ann Vinson, Chantale Hubbs, Valli Jones, Bonnie Macaskill, Gina Twellman, Michelle McKinnon, Selena Martens, Danette Orologio, Tanis Marsman, Kimberly Massa, Connie Loewen, Paul Vinson, Laura Smith, Corrina Dolphin, Val Venema, Diane Smillie

### **MEMBERS**

Cathy Worall - President  
Lee-Ann Vinson - Vice-president  
Michelle McKinnon - Treasurer  
Natalie Carmichael - Secretary  
Kim Mas - DPAC rep  
Bonnie Macaskill - Member at Large  
Danette Orologio - Member at Large  
Corrina Dolphin - Member at Large

1. Meeting called to order at 7 p.m.
  - a. Adoption of minutes from the May 15, 2023 PAC meeting and AGM
2. Introduction of Members: Cathy - President and Natalie - Secretary. Discussion amongst members in attendance regarding vacant positions and thankfully Lee-Ann, Michelle, Kim, Bonnie, Danette and Corrina volunteered to fill out the open executive positions. Welcome to all our new members.
3. Administration report - Diane Smillie
  - a. Diane provided us with a bit of her extensive background in the Langley School District, including teaching at other high schools in the district as well as being the principal of a middle school and then high school.
  - b. There are approximately 1,100 kids at the school this year and like many other schools in the district, LSS has been slammed with new registrations.
  - c. Sports and clubs are getting up and running.
  - d. Grade assemblies setting out tones and expectations for the year have taken place.

- e. Grade 9 parent night cancelled due to an almost fire which created a lot of smoke. If grade 9 parents attended the grade 9 parent evening in the Spring they would have gotten a lot of the same information.
- f. Grade 12 parent night is scheduled for October 26, 2023. Discussed at this meeting will be: graduation requirements, courses, scholarships, expectations of grads throughout the year, etc. There will be lots of good information for Grade 12 parents.
- g. Truth and Reconciliation week - there will be activities for the students to check out during this week.
- h. Brandon Gabriel Project is well underway and carvers are on site. The wood will be brought to the upstairs balcony.
- i. Diane would like to encourage anyone to reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

#### 4. Executive Reports

- a. President's Report - the township donates 10 passes for every 100 kids at the school. These passes have been obtained and provided to Diane. THANK YOU to all that answered our PAC plea letter.
- b. Vice-President
- c. Treasurer - Gaming account \$3,978.11, General Account \$5,725.01. Will need to add two signers to the accounts.
- d. Secretary - nothing to report other than THANK YOU to all that answered our PAC plea letter.
- e. DPAC Rep (report from Cathy)
  - i. DPAC AGM was on May 18, 2023.
  - ii. New school to be built in Willoughby
  - iii. Provincial benchmark is to have one counsellor for every 589 students.
  - iv. Brookwood Secondary recently had their 50th anniversary.
  - v. Feeding Future - \$2.6 million has been allocated for all Langley Schools, there are approximately 3,000 students who show up to

school without access to food. Will work with community groups to ensure that the funds are seeded and ongoing.

- vi. PAC 101, Treasurer 101 training opportunity is on October 12 at the Langley School Board office. Registration is on via the Langley DPAC website.
- vii. Next DPAC meeting will be held virtually on October 19, 2023 @ 7 p.m. Contact Langley DPAC for a link to the meeting.

## 5. New Business

- a. Call for volunteers for answered - new PAC executives this year are as follows:
  - i. Lee-Ann Vinson - Vice-president
  - ii. Michelle McKinnon - Treasurer
  - iii. Kim Mas - DPAC rep
  - iv. Bonnie Macaskill - Member at Large
  - v. Danette Orologio - Member at Large
  - vi. Corrina Dolphin - Member at Large
- b. Future Meeting dates will be every second or third Monday (holiday dependant) as follows:
  - i. October 16, 2023, November 20, 2023, January 15, 2024, February 12, 2024, April 15, 2024, May 27, 2024
- c. No dry grad committee has been formed yet. Will draft letter to grade 12 parents to call out for volunteers.

## 6. Old Business

- a. Dry Grad 2024 township grant. This has increased to \$1,500 and will need to be applied for in the fall (SOON).

## 7. Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.