

## **LEPAC March Meeting Minutes**

Lochside Elementary Parents Advisory Committee

March 26th, 2014

### **1. Welcome and Introductions 6:30**

Past President: Mike Brooks

Vice President: Judy Payne

Treasurer: Don Mellings

Healthy Schools Coordinators Heather Caul

Secretary: Robbyn Brodie

Healthy Schools Coordinators: Jodi Holland

Volunteer Coordinator: Mary Brookes

Co-COPAC representative: Kerry Walsh

Co-COPAC representative: Kelly Perry

Tiffany Congdon

Stephanie Kalabric

Julia Knowles

Tiffany Voorberg

Guests:

Principal: Joe Grewal

Vice-Principal Joan O'Leary.

Regrets: President: Rachel Calder

### **2. Approval of February Minutes 6:33**

February minutes were reviewed. Don requested one amendment: all LEPAC *records from 2006 and earlier* will be destroyed. Motion: Heather C. motioned to approve minutes following amendment, seconded by Judy P., voted and all in favour. Motion carried.

### **3. Principal's Report 6:34-7:13**

#### **A) School Successes**

- Anti-Bullying Pink Shirt Day – Kindness Assembly
- Mini-Olympics – Monday, February 24<sup>th</sup>
- Reading Recovery Program
- Clubs – Basketball, Swim, SPCA, Scottish Dance, Bhangra Dance, Cross Country and Intermediate Choir

#### **B) Information Items**

- School Calendar 2014-2015
- Grade 4 students & parents - Satisfaction Surveys
- March 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> Scholastic Book Fair – money going toward Ethiopia Reads Project
- Education Enhancement Agreement – schoolboard agreement to help promote greater academic success for First Nations students Aboriginal Day May 16<sup>th</sup>
- April 3<sup>rd</sup> – Trevor Calkins – Meeting with grade groups. Parent Education night booked with him for May 1. Child minding will be arranged by Mary B.

### C) Other Items

- Saanich School District Budget 2014-2015
  - approximately a \$3 million budget cut is expected to the school district in 2014.
  - 3:30 – 5:00 pm School Communities Budget Meeting @ Bayside Middle School
- BCTF Strike Vote – voted yes to strike. Details are not yet available.
- School Goals/Plan Review – morning of April 7<sup>th</sup>
- \*Ballroom dance lesson arrangements are still in progress.
- \*Discussed protocol for finding a hypothetical lost student. What was done last month and what could have been done better. Map of nearby locations, detailed questionnaire for the parents to fill out, central meeting location, etc.

### D) Important Dates

Mar. 28 <sup>th</sup>	LEPAC Fun Lunch
Apr. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	3:30-5:00 pm School Communities Budget Meeting at Bayside
Apr. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Trevor Calkins at Lochside – Meeting with primary staff
Apr. 7 <sup>th</sup>	NID School Planning AM
Apr. 10 <sup>th</sup>	Class Photo Day
Apr. 11 <sup>th</sup>	Popcorn Day
Apr. 17 <sup>th</sup>	4:00 ROMS admin at Lochside to talk with parents of grade 5 students
Apr. 18 <sup>th</sup>	Good Friday
Apr. 21 <sup>st</sup>	Easter Monday
Apr. 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Earth Day- PAC can assist
Apr. 25 <sup>th</sup>	LEPAC Fun Lunch
Apr. 30 <sup>th</sup>	ELL Potluck Luncheon
May 1 <sup>st</sup>	6:30-8:00 Parent Math Evening with Trevor Calkins
May 6 <sup>th</sup>	9:00-10:30 am Kindergarten Orientation
May 7 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 – 11:30 am Grade 5 Orientation Visit to ROMS
May 19 <sup>th</sup>	Tentative Fun Day
May 14 <sup>th</sup>	Tentative Teacher Appreciation Day
June 20 <sup>th</sup>	Year End BBQ

### 4. Reports 7:13-7:28

- a) President: Not in attendance.
- b) Treasurer: By the end of the year we will likely have approximately \$40k in the bank.
- c) Volunteer Coordinator: Book fair on now. Teacher Appreciation Day upcoming. Volunteer appreciation night to be planned.
- d) Healthy Schools Coordinator: Reminder to sign-up for TC Kids 1.5k run. Practice runs will be in April. Thanks to Mark V. for making skateboard rack. Scooter rack research in progress.
- e) COPAC Rep: COPAC meeting on March 6th. COPAC elections coming up next month – COPAC President and Treasurer positions available.

### 5. General Business 7:28-7:45

- a) Teacher Appreciation Day/Week Planning. Stephanie made many suggestions for daily themes. 40-45 staff. Budget is \$250. Stephanie will lead the Teacher Appreciation arrangements, and Diane B and Judy P and Kelly P volunteered to help.

- b) PAC Executive recruitment 2014/2015. President (co-chaired with Mike B), Secretary, Vice-President are the positions required.
- c) Tiffany V. suggested using a form similar to one used at her past school: a form sent out at the beginning of the school year that parents can check off from a list which tasks they might be interested in helping with. This was a popular idea with LEPAC.

Next LEPAC meeting: April 16<sup>th</sup> 2014.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.