

October 16th, 2013

LEPAC September Meeting Minutes

Lochside Elementary Parents Advisory Committee

1. Welcome and Introductions 6:30

President: Rachel Calder

Acting Treasurer: Ravinder Manhas

Secretary: Robbyn Brodie

Healthy Schools Coordinator: Heather Caul

Volunteer Coordinator: Mary Brookes

Co-COPAC representatives: Kerry Walsh and Kelly Perry

Past President: Mike Brooks

Guests:

Arnold Lim

Tanna Mellings

Alison Koropatniski

Julia Knowles

Tiffany Congdon

Principal: Joe Grewal

Vice Principal: Joan O'Leary

Regrets: Vice President: Judy Payne

2. Approval of September Minutes 6:33

September minutes were reviewed. Motion: Mary B. motioned to approve minutes, seconded by Kelly P., voted and all in favour. Motion carried.

3. Principal's Report 6:34-6:49

A) School Successes

- Tour de Rock – Raised over \$5300+ for Cancer Research
- Extra-Curricular - Indoor Soccer – S. Seabrooke, B. Warrender, S. McKean & H. Takhar
 - Swim Club – Gloria Gillingham
 - Scottish Dance – Gael Forester
- Individual Educational Plan meetings with 25 families
- Math Goal – Reflex Math Pilot

B) Information Items

- October 25th 2103 is a Provincial Professional Day – teachers attending a variety of workshops including music, social/emotional health, self-regulation, etc.
- Emergency Preparedness Plan – Shakeout Drill Oct. 17th
 - Thank you to parents Bernhard Spalteholz & Kevin Shields
- Policy 1100 Meeting – Wed. Nov. 6th 7:00 - 9:00 pm @ Bayside Middle School
- Halloween Safety Assemblies – Wednesday, October 30th – Sergeant Nick Ross

- Wacky Hair Day – Thursday, October 31st
- Reporting & Early Dismissal Days November 5th 6th & 7th -Dismissal at 1:48 pm
- Remembrance Day Assembly – Thursday November 7th at 10:00 am

C) Other Items

- Social / Emotional Health
 - Roots of Empathy Program starting in kindergarten
 - Fun Friends K – 1 & Second Step Program
 - Peacekeepers Program
 - WITS Sessions & Assembly for grades 1-3 with Sergeant Nick Ross

4. Reports 6:50-7:00

a) President:

- Fun lunch is this Friday. Thanks to Tin for all her hard work.
- Haunted Circus Dance is next week. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped paint props at Mike B's house over the weekend. Volunteers still required for the dance.
- Hamper Drive in November or December for two weeks.
- Student Conference – not enough time for planning, so this is tabled for this year.

b)Treasurer: Nothing to report.

c)Volunteer Coordinator: Halloween Haunted Circus – please volunteer! After that, volunteers will be needed for the Book Fair in November.

d)Healthy Schools Coordinator: Committee met last week. Discussed storage for scooters, and additional bike rack required. Custom rack to be made to match existing bike racks. The new rack will be along sidewalk near LASP portable. Will cost approximately \$1500. Concern that adding more health-focused programs will add more demands on the already busy teachers.

e)COPAC Rep: Nothing to report as no meetings yet this year.

5. General Business 7:01-8:05

- 2013/2014 budget was reviewed/proposed and several items were discussed. There was a discussion to end the payment to World Vision and if LEPAC does charity donations, that it is local and combined with educational opportunities for the students.
- Holiday Book Fair –Tanna, Allison, and Alison would like to organize a similar event, but focusing on books only. They have some volunteers committed already. Must be planned around Hamper Drive, Scholastic Book Fair.
- Upcoming events: Fun Lunch this Friday, Haunted Circus Dance, Hamper Drive (Help Fill the House), Scholastic Book Fair, Holiday Book Sale. Details to come.
- Camp Thunderbird Fundraiser(s) – Christmas tree chipping suggested for weekend before school starts in January.
- Help Fill the House – collections for Mustard Seed Food Bank.

Next LEPAC meeting November 20th, 2013.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.