

LEPAC Minutes- October 16, 2019 6:30-8:00pm

Megan Mbao Nicole Whitsitt Susan Taylor Trish Jackson Mitchell Liz Matthews Amy Campbell Mei Wang Leanne Quon-Turple Chad Linger Areli Hermanson Reet Dangerfield Brian Farrell Joanne Lum **Tony Gudavicius** Anya Rodenburgh Yang Joan O'Leary Sherisse Norris Erica Weide

6:30 1) Welcome, Introductions and Thank you's

Fun Lunch, Popcorn Day, Entertainment Books, Walk n Wheel Week, Class Rep List, Administration

6:35 <u>2) Correspondence</u>

Letter from Stephanie Kenny, teacher, with thanks for the financial support for her class

6:40 3) Approval of September 2019 minutes

Proposed by Leanne, seconded by Areli

6:45 <u>4) Principal's Report</u>

Please see the Principle/VP report.

FSAs: Some discussion around the FSAs. Lochside parents will get notices from both the school and the BCTF with opposing views on the FSAs. This is done provincially, and so will likely continue each year.

<u>Winter Concert:</u> some staff think that preparation for the Winter concert takes too much time out of the teaching days. Some options include moving it to the Spring, or alternating one year on one off. Admin will be discussing with staff and will let us know what they are thinking

<u>Artist in Residence:</u> next year we might plan for creation of a welcome pole, takes a long time to plan, so will continue to consider.

7:15 <u>5) Reports/General Business</u>

- **President**: Megan Mbao and Nicole Whitsitt
 - Vote on 2019/20 Budget
 - **o** Unanimously passed!
 - Present some parent education options
 - Lots of great options, such as mindullness, internet safety. Members will investigate prices. There are also some funding sources, such as COPACS.
- Treasurer: Mei Wang
 - Financial update

Budget Update October 2019 Overview:

- 1. Cash balance is healthy. Details are as follows:
 - Gift Cards Country Grocer \$238
 - Petty Cash \$400 Float
 - Gaming account \$155.92
 - General account \$34348.06 (Cleared \$36658.91 less outstanding transactions of \$2310.85)
- 2. Fun Lunch Program Total net proceeds received less expenses to date total \$26,608.
- 3. Popcorn Total net received less expenses of \$1,217
- 4. Smile Card Program lost their coordinator. They have rehired but the program approvals are behind schedule. Expect this to get approved this month. Also, will send out reminders of the procedure to all parents
- 5. Gaming Grant expect to be received prior to Christmas.
- 6. Signing authorities for the bank have been changed

- Internet Safety Committee: Trish Jackson Mitchell and Susan Taylor
 - Discussion on best practices for students and teachers: the teacher tech group will meet and get in touch with LEPAC when they are ready to meet.
 - Update on filtering system : there have been no changes to the Lochside internet filtering system. LEPAC is doing parental safety checks, and the filter system seems to be working well.
 - Safety audit
- Volunteer Coordinator: Amy Campbell
 - Update on volunteer needs
 - We need volunteers! Especially Grade 5!!
 - Lots of discussion around making communicating with parents easier. Issues with current system/privacy, etc.
- Healthy Schools Coordinator: Areli Hermanson
 - Walk n Wheel Week Report
 - Was a good time! Kids loved the stickers, bracelets, etc.
 - **o** Could use some help with the walking/wheeling Wednesdays.

• **COPACs Report**: Reet Dangerfield and Leanne Turple

Central Saanich presented a "Right of Way Trails" presentation to highlight their pathway vision and presented a safe routes to school document. they were looking for COPACs support (monetary or otherwise). Lochside has been working with Kate Berniaz (<u>kberniaz@crd.bc.ca</u>, tel 250-360-3240) on "Active and Safe Routes to School".

Report from Dave Eberwein (Superintendent, SD 63):

- Policy 1100 Parent Involvement Meeting meeting scheduled for November 7th at Bayside Middle School. All parents are welcome to join members of the Parent Advisory Council executives along with district executive, administrators, trustees and partner group representatives for our annual parent involvement meeting. This meeting, as described in Board Policy 1100 - Parent Involvement, occurs every fall so that we can review district and ministry directions and the key role of parents and PACs. A district policy review is currently underway. The district is hoping for 4-5 parent/school to attend. They are also looking for suggestions to change the name of this meeting from Policy 1100 to?

- CUPE negotiations are still continuing/ongoing

Report from Jason Reid (Secretary/Treasurer SD 63):

- enrolment is up for 2019-2020, above what was forecasted and is mainly in the elementary schools. Lochside and Prospect Lake are at full capacity.

- Currently the district is undergoing a boundary review. This will take some time to complete, but the hope is that it will improve alignment.

- funding formula changes will happen in Sept 2020. COPACs has been involved in these conversations, but currently we don't know the impact of these results. Funding

is enrolment based (7.4K/Student FTE). 85% of the district funding comes from enrolment.

- other reports:

- Vancouver Island Parent Conference, Feb 29, 2020 at Belmont Secondary. COPACs will fund attendance for up to 2 attendees per school.

- James Taylor (co-prez of COPACs) is wiling to attend school PAC meetings in support of COPACs and BCCPAC. If there is interest in a PAC 101 type session these can be arranged for PAC executives.

- Next COPACs meeting is November14th, 7PM at the Individual Learning Centre Mt. Newton X Rd (Old Saanichton elementary)

7:40 <u>6) Other Business</u>

- Update on apparel sales (Trish)
 - Aim for roll out in November, online sales. Samples for size.
- Halloween Dance (Nicole)
 - School is starting to look great!
 - Cupcakes needed
- New Business
- Next Meeting will be Wednesday, November 20, 2019
- Lochside housing development- development planned for 4590 Lochside, you can give feedback on the Saanich website
- Parents are concerned about the shirt lunchtime and it's effect on the kids. Mrs O'Leary to discuss with the teachers.



Lochside Elementary

Principal & Vice Principal Report

AGENDA Wednesday, October 16th 6:30 pm

CALENDAR						
Octob 1 2 11 11 14 16 16 17 18 21 21 22 24 24 24	er K Safety Bus Orientation Morning Mtgs (Wed) LLC Fun Lunch Advance Polls Federal Election-Gym Closed Thanksgiving Day Stat. LEPAC Meeting 6:30 Ready Set Learn 3:30-6:00 Great ShakeOut EQ Drill 10:00 -11:00 Halloween Dance Federal Election-Gym Closed Bike to Work Week Photo Retake Day Bucket Filler Show Halloween Family Dance	Novem 1 7 8 11 19-20 20 21 22	ber Fire Drill 11:00 Fun Lunch Remembrance Day Assembly rehearsal - risers will be up Remembrance Day Assembly 10:00 AM Stat Holiday for Remembrance Day 10:00-11:00 - All Welcome Early Dismissal @ 1:48 LEPAC Meeting 6:30 Soccer Jamboree Non-Instructional Day	Decem 2-6 6 10-12 20 -propos 23-Jan	First term reports Fun Lunch Holiday BookShop - proposed Happy Holiday Assembly 9AM	
25 31	Non-Instructional Day Wacky Hair Day & Halloween					

INFORMATION ITEMS	
Appreciations	 Thanks to coaches and teachers heading up clubs. Soccer has started and WE Club has also had its first session thanks to Ms. Erickson for organizing the Terry Fox Run and to our Mystery Lizard for showing up! we see the signs of Halloween sprouting - thanks to parents for the extra hours spent to delight the little ghouls and gals Welcome to Sherisse as our new Acting VP
Halloween	 I sent home information to families on Halloween media and content ir our Newsletter. Parents are encouraged to use Commonsensemedia.org to check out and preview content to see what is appropriate for their children. Lochside celebrates with Orange and Black Day and Wacky Hair Costumes are not worn for class parties.
School Goals	 Planting will soon take place in Beyond the Fence. Each class will have a session with Bonnie from HAT and learn about native plants/invasive species Many classes have now started their community walks and outdoor learning activities we are hosting a magic show on the theme of being a Bucket Filler - to enhance the focus on Taking Care of Ourselves, Each Other and Our Space/Community
Visitors Checking In Reporting Absences	Classroom teachers have communicated the expected routines to their community of parents. We also put a reminder in our recent newsletter
FSA	 Our Gr. 4 students will be engaged in Reading, Writing and Numeracy assessments the week of Oct. 21st and Oct. 28th parents do receive feedback about their child's results; the school tracks these results over time to identify trends and work on areas of need; e.g. with ProD sessions and group planning on a given topic
Remembrance Day	 Assembly is open to our parent/family community - we will begin at 10AM on Nov. 8th