



**Lochside Elementary Parents Advisory Council (LEPAC)
Minutes
1145 Royal Oak Drive**

October 11, 2022

Present:

Co-Presidents: Anya Rodenburgh Yang &
Eva Castelsky
Vice President: Priyanka Gupta
Secretary: Trish Jackson Mitchell
Treasurer: Melissa Joyce
Volunteer Coordinator: Krista Henzie
Members at Large: Kelsey Norlund, Kaylee
Szakacs

Wellness & Digital Safety: Michelle Birtwell
Acting Principal: Louie Scigliano
Vice Principal: Leila Sinclair-Wise
Guests: Paul McKenzie, Assistant
Superintendent; Tiffany Congdon; Sean &
Melissa Pepper

Regrets:

COPAC Representative: Amy Wang
Members at Large:

Communications Coordinator: Vacant

Call to Order: 6:30pm

Welcome, Introduction & Thank Yous

- Eva welcomed everyone present to the meeting and gave a territorial acknowledgement
- Everyone present at the meeting introduced themselves
- Thank you to the volunteers who helped out at the Terry Fox run, the fruit was greatly appreciated.
- Thank you to the parents who helped out at the first fun lunch of the year
- Thank you to the parents who helped out at photo day

Approval of September 2022 Minutes

Moved – Tiffany Congdon
Seconded – Krista Henzie

Correspondence

- None

Administration Report

- Mr. Scigliano introduced himself and expressed how happy he is to be at Lochside and how wonderful the attitude and atmosphere at the school is and how privileged he feels to be here.
 - He will be here until Xmas and has recently retired from middle school (Glanford)



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- Paul offered his welcome to Louie on behalf of the District and addressed the admin transition at Lochside.
 - District is committed to providing short term support to the school while the search is underway for a new principal
 - There will be opportunity for LEPAC to contribute to the process
 - Goal is for Louie to get up to speed very quickly and to continue with the activities and events that are planned

Mission Statement: We foster an environment of respect and belonging, where we honour and value each child, building the skills and mindset to thrive in the world.

Lochside Core Values: Respect, Honesty, Belonging, Compassion, Responsibility, Courage & Fairness

CALENDAR October 17-28 Grade 4's FSA 26 Popcorn Day 28 Fun Lunch November 6 Bottle Drive 8 LEPAC Meeting @ 6:30 11 Remembrance Day 14 Non-Instructional Day 16 Popcorn Day 16 Photo retake 18 Fun Lunch 28 Reports to Admin December 5 Reports home this week 9 Fun Lunch 14 Popcorn Day 19-30 Winter Break January 3 School reopens 10 LEPAC Meeting @ 6:30 11 Popcorn Day 13 Fun Lunch 27 Fun Lunch	October 10 - 14		October 17 - 21	
	Mon 10	● Thanksgiving Day Stat	Mon 17	●
	Tue 11	● Staff Meeting @ 3:00 ● LEPAC Meeting @ 6:30	Tue 18	●
	Wed 12	● Literacy Committee Meeting @11:30 in LC.	Wed 19	● Early Dismissal @ 1:48pm
	Thu 13	● Health and Safety Meeting @ 3:00 pm in the Learning Commons.	Thu 20	● Early Dismissal @ 1:48pm ● Great Shake Out at 10:30 am ● LEPAC Halloween Fair from 5:30-7:30pm
	Fri 14	●	Fri 21	● Non-Instructional Day



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February 26 Bottle Drive				
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Information Items:

Territorial Acknowledgement	
Appreciations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members of the Social Committee for taking on this important role • Matt, Melissa, and Charles for Terry Fox Run • K teachers for the strong phonemic awareness/literacy skills that you have given you last year's students • Charles for being a flexible and supportive colleague to Steph Kenny in terms of buddying up your classes. • Matt for organizing the Student Vote for Lochside • Ashley for organizing the Parliament Building tours • Chelsea, Matt, Jenica, Maddie for Indoor Soccer
School Goals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To foster the mental well-being and emotional literacy of all staff and students through positive relationships and core competency skill development within personal and social responsibility. • All students and staff will strengthen connections to and develop an understanding of Indigenous traditions, cultures, histories, and ways of knowing. • To foster literacy development with a focus on achieving reading and writing proficiency by supporting students in their emerging literacy skills
LEPAC Halloween Event	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Halloween Fair on Thursday, October 20th from 5:30-7:30 pm. Only the gym will be used. The rest of the school will be locked.

Discussion Items

Mathletics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff are keen. • Matt will be supported in sharing the program with new staff.
Halloween	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Costumes - yes. No violent weapons or masks. • Costume Parade. Will take place from 1:00-1:30. Students will get to see all other costumes and then head outside for recess.
Family Day Recognition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replacing Mother's Day and Father's Day with a Family Day recognition. • We want to be aware that all families look different.



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Recognition in February for Family Day.• Students would be given the option and flexibility to create something for Mother's Day/Father's Day if they so choose. It just wouldn't be whole class/teacher directed.
Winter Concert	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Yes. In early December. Lisa Alexander to take the lead on this. Dates to follow.
Remembrance Day Assembly	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• November 10th. Time to be determined.
FSA	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Happening for Grade 4 students.• Weeks of October 17th- 28th. Done in class.

Reports / General Business

President's Report: Anya Rodenburgh Yang & Eva Castelsky

- Halloween Event, Oct 20th - Sean & Melissa Pepper
 - o Runway for the kids to show off their costumes
 - o Cupcake walk / musical chairs
 - o Food available for pre purchase or to purchase on site
 - o Claremont Key Club has volunteers available
- Card Project
 - o Art has been collected and will be sent off to the company this week.
- Purdy's Fundraiser
 - o Flyers will be coming out soon

Vice President's Report: Priyanka Gupta

- Inquired about clubs running at the school
 - o Leila gave an overview of the sports and clubs that have been run in the past and that may be done this year depending on what the staff are interested in and will take on and oversee
 - o Swim club is on pause throughout the District at the moment due to a lack of pool space. Staff are looking into options to see if the club can run.

Treasurer's Report: Melissa Joyce

- Motion to accept the budget as presented with the addition of the iRide program



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expense for \$1,500.

- All in favour; none opposed.

Volunteer Coordinator: Krista Henzie

- Staff are happy to have class reps if there are parents interested in helping out; but there is not a lot for the parents to do from the teacher's perspective
 - Useful to coordinate class gifts and for LEPAC communication
 - Krista will send out a call

Wellness & Digital Safety: Cam and Michelle Birtwell

- Tried to get a Lochside team for the marathon but was too late; will get one set up for the TC 10K kids run in the spring
- Distribute a sheet for families to contribute a favourite family hike
 - Will do a test run with the LEPAC exec to see how it works
- Leila will coordinate a time with Cody to do an audit on the computers / Internet

COPACS Rep Report: Amy Wang (regrets)

- The Education Ministry allocated \$60 million one-time funding to districts around food security, to be spent by the end of June 2023. Saanich has received over \$735,000; Lochside's portion is approximately \$65,000.
 - Leila commented that the admin has started working with the Learning Support team to come up with ways to use the funds to help families in need in our community.
 - District survey will be coming out to help identify families
- COPAC is organizing some new committees if anyone is interested in participating
 - eg Parent Education, Climate Change, etc.

Other Business

- Staff appreciation - shift to something once per month rather than the week in May?
 - Asked for feedback from Leila and she commented that the time in May makes it more special than the ongoing, monthly thing.
- Grade 5s - Tiffany Congdon
 - Will be sending an email out soon to start getting photos for the yearbook
 - Grad clothing to start ASAP, signatures are done and will be sent over to Passion. Option to add names to the clothing will be added.



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- Leila reported out on the intermediate staff's decision around Camp Thunderbird and/or Camp Imadene. It will be going ahead this year for Grade 4s and 5s together as a day trip. Hoping for Camp Imadene as all the student can go at the same time rather than splitting them into separate groups.
 - There will still be a Grade 5 only event.
- Spirit Wear
 - Orange shirt sales were a success and \$325 will be donated to Orange Shirt Day Canada and Orange Shirt Day Victoria
 - Signatures are done for the Grade 5 clothing, store to open ASAP.
 - Regular spirit wear store will start as soon as the Grade 5 clothing sales are finished.
- Bottle drive scheduled for November 6
- Next Meeting: November 8, 2022

Meeting Adjourned: 7:55pm