

Ecole Lac des Bois PAC Meeting Minutes

Call to Order – 6:32 pm

Adoption of the Agenda - Richard motioned and Laura seconded

October Minutes Accepted

Indigenous Representative Presentation

Michelle Bernard Presentation – Michelle met with Carla Joseph and Carla will be back in the spring and is going to submit the mural. Michelle will bring artwork to elders. When design signed off it will be submitted to the district.

Teacher's creating drums and will be giving away drums to the school as per the tradition of drum makers to give away their first drum.

Mme Beaudry is working on a walking story by taking a traditional story and translating it to Dakelh language and putting it on the fences outdoors by Lhana Dune. Putting QR codes on it so that you can hear the language. Submitted a learning grant. It will be trilingual.

Music resources from the district with regards to indigenous learning for all teachers is available for classrooms.

No plans for Dakelh immersion school yet but introducing more words into classrooms

Local Dakelh language with recordings available to anyone interested on the Lheidli T'enneh website [https://www.lheidli.ca/about/our-language/#:~:text=The%20Carrier%20\(Dakelh\)%20Language,is%20not%20an%20easy%20process.If%20PAC can help spread the word about indigenous education efforts to pass along that would be helpful.](https://www.lheidli.ca/about/our-language/#:~:text=The%20Carrier%20(Dakelh)%20Language,is%20not%20an%20easy%20process.If%20PAC%20can%20help%20spread%20the%20word%20about%20indigenous%20education%20efforts%20to%20pass%20along%20that%20would%20be%20helpful.)

Chairs Report:

Worked on developing parent surveys to learn about capital projects

Vice Chairs – Report - Attached see below

Treasurer Report:

Grant funds received for the year

Calibri Fundraiser Cheque Deposited

Subway Hot Lunch, Bursary/Scholarship, Robert Doyon Cheque, Bearpaw School Reimbursement all cashed

DPAC Rep Report

Safety is November's theme, Ivan Coyote event was an enjoyable experience for those in attendance, Food Safe Course Taking Place November 27th , Bylaw 4 Appeals process being worked on by DPAC and terms of reference sent to superintendent by the board of trustees, Education Planning and Service Committee meetings continue to take place on a monthly basis.

Next DPAC Meeting - December 6th is next meeting

Principals Report – Attached see below

Old Business:

Created by kids went well and in the process of ensuring all the required info is filled out before sending
Growing Smiles got around \$1100 extending till tomorrow morning.

Purdy's order is ready to go and waiting for growing smiles to finish. Later this month for delivery

Famous 6 movie theatre could do private fundraiser. \$15 a ticket but could be reduced on a Monday.
Concerns around Covid-19. Further information to be gather on logistics with theatre.

Boston Pizza Receipt fundraiser can still happen

Save on Gift Card Fundraiser still a go where parents can buy a save on gift card and indicate at time of purchase they are ordering percentage 6% just have to say it is lac des bois when you buy the gift certificate

QSP – Magazine fundraiser will proceed

Capital Projects –

Jersey's as a capital check, slide is broken brought up by parents, basketball courts

Idea to look into school logo to add indigenous representation Monique to look into

New Business –

Wassabi hot lunch is tomorrow

Save on Food Gift Cards

Question to principal Monique on class stability due to staffing changes and it's impacts on education and its effects on student learning. Understanding the impact based on data on how kids are being affected by staffing Monique said she would try to look into. School is limited in bringing in extra supports based on school budget. Decision to be made in future about using reserve funds to hire another EA.

Motion for \$200 dollars to come out of general account to be donated to the school breakfast program.
Motioned by Richard seconded by Bonnie

January 11th is the next PAC meeting

Meeting adjourned at 7:59 pm.

Vice- Chair PAC Report November 9th, 2021

- Led the Created by Kids Class fundraiser which will be mailed out on Wednesday, November 8th, 2021 with orders hopefully being sent to the school on the first 2 weeks of December
- Followed up with the city and principal on additional basketball nets for our school. City approved nets in the tennis court as long as school district maintenance staff installed them. Principal Monique kindly followed up with maintenance and they said they would install basketball nets but would require posts instead of installing on existing fence posts that are not intended for that use. Monique following up with maintenance on additional questions surrounding location then we will follow up with city before getting quote from maintenance for installation
- QSP magazine fundraiser is now active again. Confirmed with QSP contact on process and would propose starting a fundraiser in the last week of November for 2 weeks. Orders take 8-10 weeks to start so would not be available for Christmas. Should we proceed?
- Contacted Canada Post and BC Hydro to remove gang tags from their equipment located near school
- Helped with Subway hot lunch and will be helping with Wasabi hot lunch on Wednesday. Kaelyn and Melissa have been doing an amazing job working around our online hot lunch system that was creating problems by allowing parents to order.
- Have been trying to post at least 1 post a weekday on Facebook to increase activity and hopefully get more followers of the page
- Created a November updates PDF that was kindly sent out by Monique to inform parents of important dates. Will try to continue creating a monthly pdf of updates and information
- Reviewed this year's school plan and the 5-year SD57 Strategic plan.
Areas of concern of the plans include:
 1. Implementation of literacy and numeracy goals
 2. Reliance on provincial self assessment to inform a strategic plan that doesn't provide data for all kids and is opposed by the BC Teachers Union because of its perceived deficiencies.
 3. Is there going to be an opportunity to restore Dakelh language through offering an immersion program like French
 4. Allowing all kids to participate in a annual school safety survey
- Emailed acting superintendent with regards to the difficulty and affordability of getting playground equipment installed, how does the money for provincial playground equipment get distributed and shared concerns about the school maintenance policy on trees and grass that does not promote biodiversity and land based learning.
- Involved in organizing an in person food safe course via DPAC on November 27, 2021

PAC - Principal's Report October 12, 2021

Terry Fox Run

- Thank you to everyone who supported LdB's Annual Terry Fox Run
- We raised \$1151.65, including \$500 online

School Plan for Student Success

- Our one-year School Plan for Student Success has been posted on our website
- Goal is to align our school plan with the district's new Strategic Plan
- Live document, so we will make adjustments as required
- We invite our school community to provide us with feedback

Communicable Disease Protocols - Reminders

- Mask mandate includes all students now, with some exceptions (students are not required to wear their mask outside or when eating or drinking)
- **We ask that parents pack several masks in their child's backpack on a daily basis in the event that they drop them, lose them, get wet, etc.**
- Remind parents to keep students home if they are not feeling well
- Another reminder – if you need to come into the school, we encourage parents to make an appointment. Once you arrive, please report to the office immediately. Also, school staff will walk students to their class, if required.

Lockdown Drill

- We will be holding our first of two lockdown drills on October 15th.

Student Photos

- Individual student photos are scheduled for October 13 (Div. 1 – 10) and October 14 (Div. 11 – 18)
- Retakes are November 5, 2021

Cross-Country "Course des Ours"

- Thursday, October 14th after school

Halloween

- Students and staff are invited to dress up in costume on October 29th.
- Please no weapons or replicas. No reference to drugs/alcohol
- No full masks

Staffing

- We are in the process of hiring a new Educational Assistant

Remembrance Day Ceremony

- We will be honouring our heroes on November 10th
- Again this year, our ceremony will be virtual – as a result, it will be students only.