

LDB PAC Virtual General Meeting Minutes

November 8, 2022

Call To Order - 6:00 pm

Attendees (Voting Members)

Andrea Blakeney [REDACTED]

Angela Shana [REDACTED]

Beth Chng [REDACTED]

Deb Young

Fiona Johnston [REDACTED]

Jean-Sebastian Bernier

Melissa Steidle

Rebecca Lee

Tara Klassen

Land acknowledgement:

“Ecole Lac Des Bois PAC acknowledges that we live, work and play on the beautiful unceded ancestral lands of the Lheidli T'enneh Nation”

Agenda was adopted

October Minutes Approved

Executive Oral Reports:

President's Report

The Executive Members for this year are as follows:

- President - Melissa Steidle
- Vice President - Jim Lovell
- Treasurer - Deb Young
- Secretary - Richard Parks
- DPAC Representative - Laura Weller
- Director at Large - Tara Klassen

I'd like to welcome all the new parents to our Lac Des Bois Parent Community. We have meetings once a month except for September, December and March. The meetings are held on the second Tuesday of every month.

Some reminders:

- Please be respectful at meetings and within our community. Remember we are parents too, as well as volunteers, which means unpaid. It is always unfortunate when people have outbursts in the direction of school volunteers. If you have issues about our programs, please contact me directly.

- The PAC forum is to discuss issues that impact the school community as a whole. If you'd like to discuss personal matters about your child's needs, please contact Monique directly for a private conversation.
- We love discussions and ideas and we've set up virtual meetings to open the floor before the meeting starts to have open floor discussions.
- If you want to volunteer, please make sure your paperwork is up to date

Vice-President's Report - Absent

Treasurer's Report

- **General Account: \$21,693.41**
- **Gaming Account: \$14,646.84**

In the process of getting new account software set up. \$2790 not allocated for in budget in gaming fund and roughly 18,000 in general available

Cheques

- **General Account**
 - **Cheque #655 - Payable to Melissa Steidle - Reimbursement for Hot Lunch Program (cheque written and mailed to Hot Lunches was not received)**
 - **\$315.00**
 - **Cheque #656 - Payable to Melissa Steidle - Reimbursement for Teacher Appreciation (2021/2022)**
 - **\$302.28**
 - **Cheque #657 - Payable to Melissa Steidle - Reimbursement for Appreciation GC - Bonnie White**
 - **\$40.00**
 - **Cheque #658 - Payable to School District 57 - Payment for 2022/2023 PAC Sponsored Scholarship & Bursary**
 - **\$500.00**
 - **Cheque #659 - Payable to DPAC 57 - Reimbursement for Richard Parks Foodsafe**
 - **\$25.00**
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- **Gaming Account**
 - **Cheque #508 - Payable to Ecole Lac Des Bois - Donation to Library**
 - **\$500.00**
 - **Cheque #509 - Payable to Ecole Lac Des Bois - Reimbursement for bussing costs associated with Cross Country races**
 - **\$227.58**
 - **Cheque #510 - Payable to Danielle LaMarre - Reimbursement for soil purchased for raised garden beds**
 - **\$142.80**

DPAC Representative Report

Melissa went to the DPAC meeting. Budget starts in January. Two new trustees at the meeting. 2.2 million had to be adjusted for and they talked about meeting.

Virtual Cafe coming up

Bringing in a race with online security and parachute (weren't sure how to sign up) Monique said open parachute is starting to be used by the kids and school counselors are supporting teachers. Monique said you most likely have to create an Account but Monique will look into it.

Hot Lunch Coordinator Report

First hot lunch will be on the second Wednesday in November. The hot lunch app is open for parents and staff to sign up. You must create a new account this year. The link is: <https://ldbpac.hotlunches.net/admin/>

Hot lunch is delayed to November 18th we will be email parents more

Old Business

1. Mural

- The estimated cost of the project was sent to SD57. With that money the School District has bought and prepped the board the mural is to be painted on
- The artist has since stepped back from the project
- The PAC is trying to find a new artist to fill the role
- The mural design is approved
- The PAC is contacting two local Indigenous Artists

No response from the local artist we tried to contact, the school IED will be providing another email. \$300 to compensate the original artist for design. If the local artist doesn't get back to us we will talk to other artists.

2. Line Painting

- The lines are painted!
- We paid SD57 for this in June, any left over funds will be returned to the PAC

3. Orange Shirts - Should we do it again? Parents have been inquiring with Monique for shirts. Last year some kindergarten parents found it too costly to purchase. Monique to look into if the orange shirts fall into financial hardship support. Could we get orange shirts donated back to reuse for other students at the school. Monique could have a space to collect the shirts.

Motion for PAC to facilitate the sale of more orange shirts.

Rebecca - 1st

Fiona - 2nd

Request for opportunity to purchase shirts with jersey logo. Talk about green shirts and pink shirts at the February meeting.

Gaga Ball is still waiting for feedback from Maintenance. Talked about Gaga Ball rules. Angela suggests composite decking.

New Business

1. Motion for light snacks, tea and coffee for parent cafe's. Parents asked for parachute talk. French immersion support talk for parents. Speaker for different developmental stages with district SLP.

1st - Deb 2nd - Richard

Motion approved unanimously

Dance Party: K, 1 and 2 Candy Cane and Hot Chocolate, Pizza and Dance at lunch for Grade 3-4 and dance for 5-7 starts at 6:30

Will monitor whether Thursday was a good day

Pineview made a fancy hot chocolate with whip cream and sprinkles. No pizza just photo for grade 3-4

2. Motion to support K-4 dance activities for up to \$500 from the general account.

1st Tara Second: Deb

Motion carried unanimously

3. Motion for trees in the amount of up to \$2000 out of general to help improve landscaping and shade.

1st - Fiona

2nd - Andrea

Motion carried unanimously

Kids who raised the most money got to name the tree and put a plaque on or near the tree.

Would local businesses want to get involved and help plant. Monique said maintenance gave us most permission to plant.

Move PAC movie to January

1. Created by Kids filled up for this year available in the spring. Usually a teacher fundraiser. Move to spring. There is a local alternative available.
2. Potential Future Investments - Swimming Passes (approved in budget), Swimming Lessons, Volleyball Court, Snowshoes (Could we get funding through IED or Canadian Tire)? Other suggestions?

Pickleball, microphones for winter concert, curtains for school dipped in solution.

Principal's Report

Kids made lots of snow forts with the last snowfall

Informal reports going home

School plan for student success on website looking for parent feedback

Thursday is Remembrance Day ceremony, parents can attend Thursday 10:45 in the gym

November 24th movie night at the school

Winter Concert - In person, 2 shows, odd and even divisions. Basket raffle

Box Snowman Contest outside with winners on the 16th

Staff volleyball competition on the 16th

Back to school on January 3rd

FSA are finalizing, Fire drills and lockdowns are done

Thanks to Eric and Richard for getting the rink going

Kelly Prinz helped organize helmets and skates

Two postings out for Educational Assistants so far internal

Submitting for Indigenous learning grants to build drums and walking story

Andrea asked if primary basketball was going ahead. Waiting for permission slip there is a list of volunteers available and kids are excited. It is in the works.

Next PAC General Meeting: January 10, 2021

1. Capital Improvement Projects:

Basketball Nets - Cost including shipping up to \$9000 quoted last year

Volleyball Nets (Future Considerations) - Sports Imports in Ohio, which the City of PG used to purchase their courts, gave a quote for \$3,677.55. We would have to find out from District Maintenance about install labor and additional material costs. Volleyball coach Natalie Manhas indicated it would be very beneficial for the volleyball team and she would support a fixed site.

Swings and Playground Equipment (Future Considerations) - \$30,000 for 4 swing seats last year

Lhana Dune Pit House/ Sharing Circle Landscaping (Future Considerations)

5-Year Landscape Plan (In development)

Gaga Ball (Future Considerations)

Indoor Hydroponics (September pilot)

Grade 3 Swimming Lessons

2. Past Fundraiser List:

1. Colibri
2. Created by Kids
3. Growing Smiles Christmas Plants
4. Van Rhoades Spring Plant Sale
5. Purdy's - Christmas and Easter
6. QSP - Magazines
7. Hot Lunch Yearly
8. Spring Cookie Dough
9. Movie Night