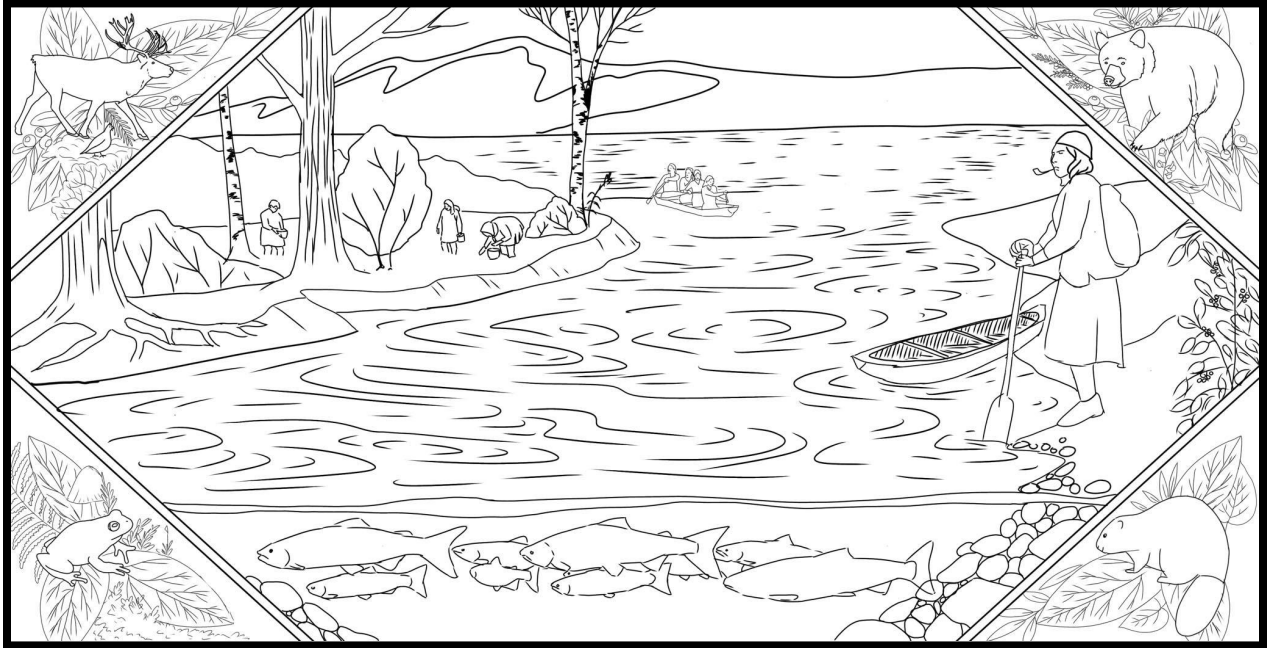


Agenda

LDB PAC General Meeting

January 10, 2023



Call To Order: 6:01

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”

Housekeeping Items:

- Have people attend the meeting practice raising their virtual hands in Microsoft Teams
- A reminder at general meetings, members can't discuss individual school personnel, students, parents, or other members of the school community. PAC executive members can support parents with any individual concerns or problems in private discussions and meetings.
- Here is a link to our PAC bylaws with helpful information about what PAC does and how meetings are run.
 - <https://ldbpac.ca/bylaws-and-constitution/>
- Our yearly budget is here:
 - <https://ldbpac.ca/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/2022-2023-Budget-Ecole-Lac-Des-Bois-PAC-Google-Sheets.pdf>
- Capital projects, events and equipment purchase ideas here:
 - [Capital Improvements Projects, School Purchases and Event Ideas that PAC could Sponsor](#)

Parent Questions, Comments and Presentations:

- Any parents/caregivers/teachers who have any questions, comments or presentations they would like to make can be added at this time.

Adoption of agenda *Richard 1sts and Shana Bowden Seconds*

Adoption of minutes: [November Meeting Minutes](#)

PAC highlights since last meeting:

- Winter Festivities! The PAC sponsored:
 - Hot chocolate and Candy Canes for the k-2 classes
 - A school dance and pizza for the 3-4 classes
 - There was also a 5-7 class dance, but this was hosted by the Grade 7 Parents
 - Thanks to the parent and student volunteers to make this happen
 - Thanks to Tim Hortons for discounting the hot chocolate and the free cups
- Growing Smiles Fundraising Campaign
 - We brought in poinsettias and other winter foliage as a fundraiser
 - Thank you to Brooke and all the volunteers who helped out as well as a thank you for all of those who purchased the plants.
- Mural
 - We're still working on the mural, and we have a new artist: Erin Stagg
 - Check out Erin on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ErinStaggArt/>
 - She's sent us a design and we've passed that on to the Lheidli T'enneh Elders Society to ensure the mural is culturally correct
- Skating Rink
 - The Skating Rink is running thanks to the Westbowl Community Association
 - Please use the rink and shovel snow if the rink needs to be cleaned!
- Cameras
 - The AV club is being revitalized and they are hoping to complete a yearbook
 - We need cameras for the club, if you've got one, consider donating it to the school
- Hydroponic Unit
 - We have borrowed a hydroponic unit from Duchess Park to try at our school
 - As of December, it had not yet been used; however, the grade 7's have taken the tower on and are hoping to incorporate it into their curriculum.
 - If you have a grade 7 student and would like to help out with the tower, contact M. Mathysic
- Questions and answers
 - We're going to accumulate questions for the school and send it along to Monique so she can answer them at the PAC meetings, such as this. If you've got questions, please email them to us at ldbpac@gmail.com

Executive Oral Reports:

President's Report

Our goal this year is to create some learning spaces for parents and caregivers, offer some fun activities for the kids as well as plant some trees, finish a mural and build a gaga ball court/buy volleyball nets or something along those lines.

If we've learned anything from working with the school district it's that these projects take time! I am feeling confident we will have the mural completed by the end of this school year and that we will be planting trees.

In the interest of communicating with parents, the PAC is hoping to open up the FaceBook feed for general posting. This will come with some rules and it will be on trial until the end of this school year. If the experiment goes well and isn't too labour intensive, we'll look at continuing it during the next school year.

In February, we are going to hold a Black History Month Crossword Challenge. The winner will get 1 of 2 family passes for a day to Exploration Place.

The PAC will not undertake orange shirt or pink shirt orders this year. We are; however, encouraging reusing orange, pink and green shirts. If your little people have grown out of a school shirt, an orange shirt or a pink anti-bullying shirt and it's in good shape, consider donating it back to PAC. We'll sort them and offer them to any child interested in wearing a new-to-them-shirt. This will not be income dependent. We want hand-me-downs to become a normal thing.

Vice-President's Report

Not Available

Treasurer's Report

General Account: \$25,890.57

Gaming Account: \$13,696.69

Cheques

- **General Account**

- Chq 660 - VOID
- Chq 661 - \$1468.00 - Payable to Subway - Hot Lunch
- Chq 662 - \$1011.45 - Payable to Panago - Hot Lunch
- Chq 663 - \$40 - Payable to Elisa Elardo - Reimbursement for Orange Shirts not received
- Chq 664 - \$22.04 - Payable to Richard Parks - Reimbursement for Host Papa Domain Renewal
- Chq 665 - \$100.48 - Payable to Melissa Steidle - Reimbursement for Hot Lunch labels purchased in 2021 & 2022

- **Gaming Account**

- Chq 511 - \$62.69 - Payable to Melissa Steidle - Reimbursement for Raised Garden Bed supplies
- Chq 512 - \$324.18 - Payable to Richard Parks - Reimbursement for Helmets purchased for student use
- Chq 513 - \$204.70 - Payable to Panago - Grade 7 Volleyball Year End Celebration
- Chq 514 - \$324.70 - Payable to Panago - Grade 3 & 4 Dance
- Chq 515 - \$77.44 - Payable to Melissa Steidle - K-2 Hot Chocolate
- Chq 516 - \$105.72 - Payable to Richard Parks - K-2 Hot Chocolate Supplies

Working on quick books subscription because a credit regard

DPAC Representative Report

Mental health and wellness was the theme of the DPAC last night. Open parachute demonstration at meeting. Variety offering funding for Autism assessments. Secondary parent forum happened last week. Calendar committee on winter and spring break. Student learning survey data, deep dive showed kids are tired and need to be well rested for school. DPAC is a resource for parents using info@sd57dpac.ca

Hot Lunch Coordinator Report

Efforts are underway to organize another hot lunch. We'll let you know when we've got a date confirmed with a restaurant. Opa hot lunch for January.

Funding Requests:

1. Sound equipment for the stage so it is useful for theatrics. Email link [here](#)
2. Cameras for the AV club to produce yearbook. Email link [here](#)
3. Walking Story Contribution

Old Business

1. In December every year the PAC donates some funds to the food hamper. This year we donated \$50.00

Motion: The PAC to reimburse Richard Parks for \$50.00 from general for Save-On-Foods gift certificates for the school food hamper. Shana Bowden 1sts and Deb Young Seconds. Motions approved

2. Swimming lessons for the grade 3's. We had started this conversation by thinking about sending all the classes swimming as part of the year end PAC event for the kids. But the younger kids can't go swimming without parents, so we moved the idea over to swimming lessons for the grade 3's. Richard 1sts and Laura 2nd's

Motion: The PAC to pay up to \$3000 out of general to cover swimming lessons for grade 3 students, and the students in the grade 3 split classes.

New Business

1. Monique received approval for an ILGT grant to pay for the walking story to be put on the fence by the Lhana Dune Sharing Circle. The IED will cover \$2470 of the cost and is asking the PAC to pay part of the cost up to \$1000.

The Walking story is an Indigenous Legend that is told on storyboards that will be installed on the fence. The storyboards would be in Dakelh as well as French and English. There would be a link so people can listen to the legend as well as read.

Motion: The PAC funds up to \$1000 to be paid out of gaming to build the "Walking Story" in coordination with the ILTG grant. Shana 1st Deb Second Motions passes

2. During the last school year one of the field trip bus fees was not passed onto the PAC. The school is requesting \$80.00 to cover this cost. As it was for the last school year, this money must now come out of the general account.

Motion: The PAC pays Ecole Lac Des Bois up to \$80 out of general for a field trip busing fee undertaken in the last school year. First Deb and Second Richard

3. The AV club has requested funds to purchase new cameras to support the club and their endeavor to create a yearbook for the entire school population. These cameras would be available to sign out at the library after the yearbook is completed. We are hoping that we can get some cameras donated rather than purchase new cameras.

There was a discussion of used phones

Motion: The PAC purchases cameras for the AV club to a maximum of \$600 out of gaming. First Nicole and Shana
Motion approved

4. Ecole Lac des Bois benefits greatly from the skating rink that is established by the City and the Westbowl Community Association. As PAC we've supported our students by supplying skates and helmets as well as by managing the equipment and having the skates sharpened. What we do not do as PAC is support the efforts to maintain the rink. This falls onto the Westbowl volunteers. This also includes capital purchases such as new shovels, nets and other necessary equipment.

Motion: For the PAC to donate \$300 out of general to the Westbowl Community Association for supplies required to maintain or use the rink. Laura 1sts and Nicole seconds

On another note, the new rink maintenance volunteer, Mike, has offered to paint the rink with a class so they could have some fun and learn a bit about ice rinks.

5. The PAC is going to host a movie at the Cineplex Odeon. This was a hit last year and we want to offer some more fun activities for the school community. Keep your eyes open for tickets. They will be sold through the hot lunch app.

Principal's Report

Winter festivities went great.

Thanks for supporting the food drive.

Spectac was a success and appreciated to be in person

Lot's of behind the scenes volunteers

Feb 6-10th Communicating Student Learning

January 19th Primary Report Card writing

January 16th Potter Session run till May and coming home to their creations

Registration opened up in February online via the district website. Over 60 applicants there will be a lottery. Siblings would not be part of the lottery.

Online student transfer process and students not going to Duchess Park for Grade 7.

We continue to have funds available for the student affordability fund. Intermediate field trips are subsidized to support families and some of the field trips.

School plan needs feedback from parents and will be bringing to students.

Stage curtains 20x12 can be fireproofed for \$1300 approximately.

Volunteer Opportunities

Contact the PAC if one of these opportunities strikes your fancy:

1. Rink Maintenance, if there is a snowfall, feel free to shovel the rink
2. Organizing planting of trees in the spring
3. Help out with Hot Lunch
4. Help out with the Movie at the Famous Players
5. Help organize a parent Cafe for a learning event
6. Help organize a spring dance

Next PAC General Meeting:

February 14th at 6 PM

PAC adjourned meeting at 7:01 pm