

LDB PAC General Meeting Minutes

April 11, 2023

Presentations:

Call To Order: 6:06 pm

Attendees:

Andrea Blakeney

Shana

Dawn Wagner

Deb Young

Kaelyn Vandenburg

Laura Weller

Melissa Steidle

John Perdomo

Monique Engert

Mykhailo Pluzh

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”

Housekeeping Items:

- 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: Kaelyn Motions for approval and Deb Seconds, Motion Passed

Adoption of minutes: [March Meeting Minutes Link](#) Tara Motions for approval and Kaelyn Seconds, Motion Passed

PAC highlights since last meeting:

- Shana has kindly taken the lead on organizing a spring dance k-5
- Parents enjoyed the presentation by Kathy Buheler
- Grade 6 parents are starting to talk about next school years Grade 7 trip
- Grade 7 parents are hard at work fundraising and will be organizing a hot lunch fundraiser
- Kindergarten teachers have reached out about doing a K Hot Lunch Fundraiser
- PAC Sponsored Basketball Pizza Yearend was appreciated by students
- PAC has started to reach out to parents interested in donating money specifically towards trees

Executive Oral Reports:

President's Report

We are down to our last two meetings before elections. We've got a couple of items to complete this year beyond regular business. These are the installation of a gaga ball court and planting trees in our school yard.

We also are looking at amending some of our bylaws to reduce Roberts Rules and make the meetings more of a round table format. This is something other PACs are doing and we hope that this makes PAC executive positions easier to fill. We will have a couple PAC positions that will be vacant in June and require some volunteers. Namely the Chair role will be vacant.

Treasurer's Report

General Account: \$22,744.16

Gaming Account: \$9416.96

Cheques

- **General**
 - **Cheque 680 - \$1488.00 - Payable to Subway**
 - **Payment for April 5th hot lunch**
- **Gaming**
 - **Cheque 523 - \$333.24 - Payable to SD57 Ecole Lac Des Bois**
 - **Reimbursement for bussing - Div 1 & 6**
 - **Cheque 524 - \$144.70 - Payable to Panago**
 - **Payment for Year-end Basketball Celebration**
 - **Cheque 525 - \$493.33 - Payable to David Henderson**
 - **Reimbursement for Legomania Prizes purchased**

DPAC Representative Report

- DPAC AGM is coming up soon
- Trustee By-Elections will be a focus of DPAC

Hot Lunch Coordinator Report

Hot Lunches for Grade 7's and Hot Lunch for K's.

PAC Hot lunch pushes into June for China Star. Hot Lunch payment due in August.

5 Tree purchase orders have already been placed on Hot lunch website.

VanRoodes orders have been coming in but we are waiting for what herbs are available.

Funding Requests:

1. Monique asked to consider providing each division with 100 dollars next year as it was much appreciated by teachers who used the money to buy classroom supplies. Melissa mentioned this was done in the past and could be looked at by the next executive in September.

Old Business

1. We've got an almost approved work order for the gaga ball court. Maintenance made some suggestions to reduce costs. We're meeting with Maintenance to finalize the location of the Court. This will be constructed this year.

Motion: To fund the Gaga Ball court construction, with an instruction sign and spot for a ball for \$6000 being funded through the General Bank account.

Tara first's the motion and Richard seconds, Motion Approved

2. The mural is still a work in progress. Our new artist drew up a design that we will need to pay for if we cannot get approval for the mural by June. School District 57 is holding PAC money for the painting and installation of the mural. As we are unsure if the mural will be completed, PAC will request the money to be returned.

Motion: For \$500 to be available out of general to pay Erin Stagg for the design of the school mural.

Richard first the motion and Shana seconds, Motion Approved

3. Spring dance is happening, and the gym is booked. Poster is in the works and will be posted. By donation, snacks and drinks. Adults will have to stay with kids and younger siblings. Guest list can be put through a hot lunch. Max quantity 400 or 500 as per fire code, Monique to double check.

New Business

1. Fill out BCCPAC proxy forms to give to DPAC
2. Start an Informal Bylaw Committee
 - a. Anyone can look at and make suggestions online regarding bylaw changes
 - b. We are trying to remove Robert's Rules of Order with a more round table approach

- c. We are considering removing the Vice Chair and adding a Communications Role to manage Facebook and the website
- d. We'd like to change the designation President with Chair
- e. Reduce the amount of executive meetings

Parents brought up how good the Remind app was to keep parents informed but unfortunately it had to be discontinued because it was too expensive. Monique says the district has an excellent system in place that is easy to use for mass emails.

Principal's Report

School property is drying up and kids are full of energy from spring break

Congratulations to winners of Legomanio and thanks to PAC for funding prizes

School has new improved website but is still under construction

Indigenous culture week is being planned

Spring assessments are starting to get underway and will be available in our updated school plan

Only a few spots left for Kindergarten and are at 17 divisions

If there are family that are moving in or out of the school let school know asap

The student and family affordability fund is still available and will help fund school trips, coats, shoes or whatever needed.

Report Card Writing April 21

1:27 April 26th early dismissal

NID April 28th

Questions for Principal

Increased funding for Food Programs for Schools - No information has been provided to the school

MyEd is being used by LDB to post reading, writing and numeracy assessment but do parents know they can access this information?

Monique will ask the district if we could have a PAC sponsored tent out on school grounds event on June 16th along with a barbecue.

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:

May 9th at 6:30 pm.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:10 pm