

Meeting

Logan Lake Elementary & Secondary PAC Meeting

Tuesday, October 3rd, 2023

Welcome/Call to order at 5:59 pm.

In attendance were Penny Armstrong, Kristie-Ann Pederson, Rachel Dahl, Jacqueline Newman, Theresa Giesbrecht, Jennifer Doyle, Taryn Vanditmars, Alysha Stalzer, John Blakely, and Nikki Shafer.

Minutes from last meeting, approved by Jacqueline and seconded by Rachel. All were in favour.

Amendment to agenda requested by Penny. Addition of Growing Smiles fundraiser noted.

Principal's Report

Mr. Blakely presents the principal report. He details that the student population remains steady at 115 students registered at Logan Lake Elementary School and 166 students registered at Logan Lake Elementary Secondary School (74 elementary and 92 secondary). There was some recent shuffling due to the addition of a grade 5 student. Otherwise, all other grades are settled into their classrooms.

Term 1 Interim reports will be sent home for all secondary students on October 5th. These will be mainly focussed on the students who are at risk of failing their class or their marks have dropped in what is typically expected of them.

Parent Teacher Interviews will be conducted on October 12th for both school. There will be an early closure. It is unclear of the exact time of closure but it is expected the Secondary School will close at 12:50, K-4 at 11:55 and 5-7 at 12:36. Teachers will be in contact with parents to make these appointments for 15 minute time slots.

All school fees are due and statements have gone home to those that have paid. The Family Affordability Fund is available again this year for families who need it. Information was included in the school newsletter and on school supplies order form. Access is available through <http://sd73.schoolcashionline.com>.

There continues to be some staff updates. Melanie Parker is supporting elementary students at the school and family consultant on Fridays. Tara Tribute is working Monday at LLESS as the aboriginal family counsellor. Jessica DeRose is the counsellor on staff Monday - Thursday. Dave Melville is a CYMH worker that offers further counselling services every Thursday and second Friday. Nicola Family Therapy is on hold at the moment as they have altered their programs offered and require three referrals to run a PEACE program (students who witness or

experience domestic abuse). The aboriginal support worker position remains open for both schools.

Positive behaviour interventions and support (PBIS) has started at both schools. Student success will be celebrated at LLES each monthly with "Gotcha" assemblies and awards. A student from each class gets an award at the end of each week and a chance to win a monthly lunch with Mr. Collins. New program with Lightning slips (slips that show students are being caring, capable, and courageous) has been implemented at LLESS and is well received. Mr. Blakely is planning on starting a powerpoint to be uploaded to the school websites to showcase school highlights.

Digital Student Portfolios has been introduced to all grades K-12. This is a new reporting order in which students do self assessments of core competencies and goal setting/achievements. These portfolios will follow students throughout their schooling. Mr. Blakely has worked on a template and introduced the process to staff last year. The last Pro D Day was utilized to familiarize staff with the technology and planning for these portfolios and to introduce "Lightning Weeks". Lightning Weeks will occur the last week of each month in which students will be allotted specific time slots to work on and update portfolios. Parents are encouraged to ask their child to see their portfolios and reference to these portfolios will be included in all report cards throughout the year.

Upcoming events include the Come Ready With Me program for Grade 1's on October 5th. Parent Teacher Interviews will be conducted on October 12th at both school with early closure. November 10th is school photo retake day. School will be closed on October 9th for Thanksgiving and October 20th for Pro D Day for staff. Terry Fox Run on September 15th raised \$250 for both schools. Greg Stewart Presentations occurred on September 26th as was well received by all. School recognition day for Truth and Reconciliation and Orange Shirt Day was September 29th as well as School Photo Day. Kindergarteners also had Bus Safety on September 29th.

Mr. Blakely extends a thank you to PAC from Mr. Daley for the contribution to the extracurricular fitness equipment. It is reported that the weight area is looking very good. They are currently opening up the gym Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 7:30 for focussed gym time, whether it be to use the weight area or practice volleyball or soccer, etc.

Mr. Blakely also thanks the PAC for financially supporting the Greg Stewart Presentations.

The graduation class had their first official grad meeting recently and all grads were represented.

Mr. Collins noted that apples will be picked up on the weekend of October 13th. Mr. Collins travels with his family to pick these apples himself. They will be ready to pick up at LLESS on

October 16th. He requested that the total number of boxes of apples required should be forwarded to him by October 6th, 2023.

Treasurer's Report

Elementary	Secondary
Gaming Account \$ <u>5,680.09</u>	Gaming Account \$ <u>11,254.06</u>
Regular Account \$ <u>5,359.04</u>	Regular Account \$ <u>11,226.81</u>

Penny made note that \$3000.00 from secondary gaming account belongs to the 2023 graduation class and is just being held until they request it.

Voting of PAC Members

All members of PAC resigned from positions.

Penny Armstrong nominated for treasurer. Seconded by Jacqueline. All in favour. Penny voted in as treasurer.

Kristie-Ann Pederson nominated for secretary. Seconded by Jacqueline. All in favour. Kristie-Ann voted in as secretary.

Rachel Dahl nominated for vice chair. Seconded by Jacqueline. All in favour. Rachel voted in as vice chair.

Jacqueline Newman nominated for chair person. Seconded by Penny. All in favour. Jacqueline voted in as chair person.

Ratification

Motion made via Facebook on September 21, 2023 by Kristie-Ann to provide \$1000 to LLESS for payment to presenter Gregory Stewart as outlined by Mr. Blakely. Motion was seconded by Rachel and all were in favour.

Kamloops Blazers Scholarship & Education Society Thank You Card

Kristie-Ann passed around a card to be signed by all attendees to be sent to the Kamloops Blazers Scholarship & Education Society as a thank you for the \$500 donation to LLES for sports equipment.

Fundraisers

Principals report detailed that apples will be ready for pick up on October 16th. It was decided that pick up would be offered on two separate days before and after school. Nikki volunteered to be available on Monday and Tuesday mornings from 8:00 - 9:00, Penny 2:30 - 3:30 and

Jacqueline 3:30 - 4:30 at Logan Lake Elementary Secondary School. It was also decided that 12 extra boxes would be ordered and available to purchase on pick up days.

Penny reports that the DFS fundraiser forms are en route to Logan Lake and will be send home with students as soon as possible.

Growing Smiles fundraiser for winter flowers was also discussed. Prices will stay the same as last year with the addition of a succulent bowl priced at \$35. Penny will phone to inquire about this addition to the fundraiser form. It is projected that the delivery date will be Tuesday, December 5th at Logan Lake Elementary Secondary School.

50/50 tickets will also be available at the Christmas Concert in December. Penny will begin this process by applying to Lotteries.

Nikki questions whether Logan Lake schools are registered for the fundraiser at Cobb's bakery in which a portion of patron's purchases go back into the school. No one is sure if the schools are registered, but we are aware that there has been an ongoing relationship with Cobb's as Mr. Collins picks up bread there weekly for the breakfast program. PAC will discuss fundraiser option with Mr. Collins

Halloween Night Activities

Jenn brought a poster and requests to place it in LLESS school window.

Jenn presents the flow of Halloween Night activities. PAC will be in charge of a warm up station located at the elementary school from 7:00 - 8:15. They will provide hot cocoa, popcorn, coffee, tea and movie/short videos until the firework display at 8:30. Theresa offers to donate milk and almond milk. It is discussed that if there is a teacher volunteer present then booking of the gym does not need to occur through the district, otherwise we will be required to pay a rental fee. A motion was made by Jacqueline to pay a maximum of \$150 rental for use of the gymnasium. This was seconded by Penny and all were in favour. We will discuss with Mr. Collins the use of the screen and the Lions will provide a sound system.

Grades 5-7 will be carving pumpkins to have on display outside the LLES. Half of the funds to purchase carving kits has been donated. Jenn request \$60 to cover the remaining costs to purchase kits. Penny made a motion to provide \$60 to support the purchase of pumpkin carving kits. This was seconded by Jacqueline and all were in favour.

Penny has discussed with Mr. Blakely the possibility of having the career class students available to help support this event. We would be willing to provide letters detailing their volunteer time. Mr. Blakely is waiting on a reply from the class teacher. Nikki will be available to support these students and will be present at 5:30 for set up of tables and chairs.

Teacher Requests

Mr. Blakely provides a breakdown of gym equipment required at each school. \$500 was donated by Blazer's Scholarship and Education Society to be given to the elementary school. \$500 was donated by Greg Stewart (the presenter) to the elementary secondary school. Mr. Blakely suggest beans bags, cones, mini soccer nets, sandbags, medicine balls, bowling, mini deodorants, shoes and gym strip for LLESS. He suggests volleyball nets (first priority), yoga mats, birdies, pickle ball equipment and Spike ball for the elementary school. Penny will ensure monies are forwarded to both schools to make purchases.

Discussion occurred surrounding Ms. Hine's letter from previous meeting. PAC continues to wait for letter detailing financial support for Come Read With Me program. Kristie-Ann agreed to e-mail Ms. Hine to inquire about this. Kristie-Ann will also reach out to Ms. Hine regarding advertisements for Adopt a School Program and Scholastic Book Fair and will post information to Facebook.

Reminders were put forward for teacher incidentals that are generally requested yearly and for the initiation of the Skating In Kind grant. Penny will reach out to Mr. Collins regarding the incidentals and we will bring forward the Skating In Kind grant at the next meeting.

New Business

Alysha mentions that she has accepted a temporary CEA position at LLES.

Date of next meeting is scheduled for November 28th at 6:00 pm at Logan Lake Secondary Elementary School.

Meeting called to end at 7:24 pm.

Minutes submitted by Kristie-Ann Pederson