

Lansdowne PAC Meeting September, 2019

Meeting called to order at: 7pm

Acknowledgement of territory, welcome and introductions

Present:

Sean Powell,, Hilary Braid-Skowski, Heather Phillips, Jessica Koski, Wendy Fung-Graham, Angela Jackson, Chelsea Wozniak, Naomi Fix, Craig Hickie

President Report

- Nothing to report at this early point in the year

Administration Report

- *2 school goals:* a Culture of Connectedness, and Positive Digital Culture
- Lansdowne received 1.0FTE at end of last year from the district (unused remedy time, no room for another class but would otherwise have had an additional division). Decision to have one teacher (.4FTE) who will lead 2 cohorts of Experiential Ed. The other .6FTE is for a teacher to run the fitness studio and to do some co-teaching.
- Thanks to PAC for sports equipment. It is being well-used.
- *Reporting:* teacher choice to use a 'traditional style' report card OR FreshGrade (the two district-approved options). 14 staff using Freshgrade this year
- *ProD on last Monday:* focus on collaboration...how to do it, what does co-planning and co-teaching look like, how to include support staff etc.
- *Fruits and Veggie program:* requires volunteers with Foodsafe. Don't currently have any, so the program is not running.
 - o **Action:** Admin to get more details on dates, time commitments, which will be included in next newsletter, in the hopes of finding a parent volunteer
- *Complaint Process:* complaints should first be taken to the staff person you have a complaint with. *Then,* it goes to admin. *Then* to Superintendent.
- *Gym update:* new gym floors. Bleachers scheduled to arrive Oct. 6; new volleyball equipment has arrived
- *Lansdowne South:* Lansdowne is set to become 2 campuses for 2020/21 school year, at which time the old Richmond Elementary will begin housing all grade sixes. Sean and Hillary to begin consultative process with staff around this.
- *2 grade eight classes* that were set to be in *Artemis Place* are still waiting for that building to be ready for them. Currently housed in non-classroom spaces at Lansdowne.

Treasurer Report

- Wendy presented to Financial report.
- **Motion:** *to accept Treasurer Report* (Jessica/Chelsea). Carried.

Questions;

- Discussions around how to increase parent awareness of what PAC does/what they fund/what donations are contributing to (ex, adding notes to weekly parent emails)
- Thoughts on having teacher requests for PAC funding to come in as they did last year (a standard funding request form explaining wants/needs), that PAC then discussed and voted on.
- Drama club? – not at the moment. The teacher that ran it last year has moved on to another school. Possible parent volunteer to run it?

Other Business:

- *Earthquake Supplies:* Sean, Jessica and Heather sorted through supplies. Many food items were expired. We may need to use Earthquake Supplies budget this year to purchase new items. Going

forward, pay closer attention to expiry dates. Also, reconsider food supplies/cooking method, as there was food, but no cooking source. Also, found many tarps, but no way to support them into shelters.

- **Action:** Heather to talk to Marketa and get some ideas.
- Thoughts on ways to support family of student who passed away last year
- Increased incidences of violence in the school this year? Yes, but not clear why.
- VCPAC: volunteer needed to attend VCPAC meetings and report back
- Will be needing a new Treasurer next year, ideally someone could train with Wendy this year.
 - **Actions:** Chelsea to include notes in PAC section of Lansdowne newsletter regarding PAC activities and the need for more volunteers

Motion to adjourn meeting. (Chelsea/ Heather). Carried. 8:15pm

Next meeting: .October 23, 7pm, in the library