

**Lambrick Park Secondary School
PAC Meeting minutes
Jan 11 2017**

Present – Lisa W (PAC President), Lesley D (Vice President), Faye H (Secretary), Georgia H (Treasurer), Rita L, Tina P (Principal), Sheri Y (Member at Large), Valerie M (VCPAC Rep), Marran D (Student Council), Nathan C (Student Council), Ann W (SD61 Trustee),

Meeting called to order 7.06pm

Approval of Agenda

Approval of previous meeting minutes Nov 2016

A copy of all the latest minutes can be found under the Parent Info section of the LAMPAC website.

A warm welcome was given to Ann Whiteaker who was attending in her role as a SD61 trustee. An update on the lack of bike racks was given to Ann who agreed to pass this feedback on to the district.

Officers's Reports and Business

Student Council Report:

- Discussions are underway for a school dance in February. More information to follow.
- The students are looking into a flirting app that allows for fun connections to be made across the school. It will be free for the students with an initial investment of \$100 to come from the leadership student funds.
- Marran is very keen to organise a conference in the school all about taking initiatives and following your passions. It would include outside speakers, workshops and probably be aimed at Grades 9-12.

Recent Events:

- The Evening of Theatre was a great success with some excellent work by the students which included singing, dancing, improv, videos,etc. The silent auction proved popular and along with the ticket sales a total of \$1700 was raised towards the school production of the Addams Family. Thank you to Mrs Martin and the students for all their hard work.
- The winter concert was well attended and there was a lovely vibe to the evening with contributions from the high school students as well as some of our local middle and elementary schools. Thank you to Mrs Blair for all her hard work.
- The food drive was a great success despite the cold weather and Kool FM were given the 2500lbs of food that we collected – so they could deliver it to the Mustard Seed.
- Thank you to all the staff who helped make the annual Santa breakfast a success.

Fundraising:

- Purdy chocolate sales are going slowly but steadily and it is expected that all stock will be sold by the end of the year. It is best to sell these chocolates at events and also encourage people to sell them at work. If anyone wants a box to sell at work then please contact Lesley via LAMPAC2015@gmail.com
- Lots of discussions were held about PAC lunches and the best way to share the money and to streamline the process behind the scenes. This is still an area for discussion. Ordering is online and open all year long; please give 2 weeks notice when placing an order - <https://www.tfaforms.com/439538>
- Donation drive money has been much lower this year which may have been due to a hiccup with the forms that were initially sent home. This will be corrected for next year and the response monitored.
- A fundraising suggestion was made to purchase and then either rent or sell soft chairs for the bleachers. Val M offered to price up this idea.

Treasurer

- The treasurers report dated 17th January was passed around and discussed. We are in a strong position and things are generally going as planned. It was agreed that the savings account should be closed and the money moved into the current account to make life easier at reconciliation time.
- Actual bank statements and bank balance slips were also circulated and approved.
- Teachers were asked to start putting together their budget requests ready for next year for PAC consideration. A blank form will be provided for this purpose. Ann suggested that this could be turned into a twice yearly process to allow the teachers the chance to request items for the second semester. PAC could then hold back some funds to facilitate this. The deadline for submissions is March 15th.

Principals Report (T Pierik) –

- The school is going to be repainted over the next 3 years starting with the gym at the end of January.
- The Open House will be on 17th January at 7pm and will have a new format. It will include a short introduction in the library but then will operate on a passport stamp type process to encourage the new students to tour the school and see different areas. There will be a song performed from the Addams Family musical as well as a spirit game against Claremont in the gym.
- Earlier on the same night there will be a special presentation of the Order of Lambrick award to selected specially invited alumni. This will become an annual event.
- On May 5th there will also be a welcome back BBQ for the alumni to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the school.
- Exam week was explained and everyone was reminded that this information is on the website as well as in the weekly update.
- On Feb 1st at 7pm there is a Parent Education Evening on the subject of Anxiety. Students and parents from other schools are also welcome to this free Lambrick Park event.
- The annual Staff Appreciation Lunch is going to be held on Feb 8th and a request for volunteers will go out soon via a Google dox.

- It was requested that Tina contact Lifetouch and consider using them as the school photographer based on feedback from parents.

New Business –

- Val M has kindly agreed to be our VCPAC rep and will attend future meetings on our behalf. <http://vcpac.ca/>
- The VCPAC conference is coming up on 25th February and the fee before 10th Feb is \$100. Anyone interested in attending should contact PAC.
- Concerns were raised about the automated attendance system and it seems there are some administrative issues as well as some glitches that might be more district wide. Ann agreed to provide feedback to the district.
- Lesley and Tina agreed to spearhead an Awards committee to review the number of PAC awards that are being handed out and look at areas for improvement.

Next PAC meeting will be on **Wednesday 1st March** at 7pm. **There is no meeting in February due to the Parent Education Night.**

Meeting adjourned at 9.15pm