Lambrick Park Secondary School PAC Meeting minutes May 3rd 2017

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Present – Lisa W (PAC President), Lesley D (Vice President), Faye H (Secretary), Georgia H (Treasurer), Rita L, Tina P. (Principal), Valerie M (VCPAC Rep), Derek C, Corrie D, Sonia S, Nathan C (Student Council), Marran Dodds (Student Council),

Meeting called to order 7.05pm Approval of Agenda Approval of previous meeting minutes - April 2017

Following the Budget meeting held on 10^{th} May 2017 the PAC held a special vote to approve the purchase of editing software for the Musical Theatre department to allow them to edit and sell the DVDs from the recent Addams Family musical. This will enable them to continue to fundraise for future performances. The vote was passed unanimously up to the amount of \$1,000 from the current 2016/7 funds.

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

Student Council Report:

- The leadership students will be supporting the LP 40th anniversary party on Friday.
- The students are on board with the new proposed timetable and start time.
- A talent show is being organised for the end of May during school hours. More info to follow.

Recent Events:

- Concerns about the offerings from the current school photographer have been passed back to the administration. More detailed information will be provided to allow him the opportunity to respond and adjust his offerings.
- Recycle stations the request to borrow some recycle stations from Gordon Head has been approved and they will be collected soon.

Fundraising:

- Purdy's chocolates are still being sold and more will be available for sale at the 40th anniversary party on May 5th 2017. It was agreed that we would continue this fundraiser next year and offer more small size bars, hedgehogs and Himalayan salted caramel.

VCPAC:

- Congratulations to Val M who has now become a Director on the VCPAC Board.
- Various points about POS use by PAC, the Enrollment Priorities Survey, and the review of the school code of conduct were also discussed and can be seen in the attached document.

- http://vcpac.ca/component/jdownloads/send/202-points-to-ponder/784-2017-05-points-2-ponder
- VCPAC are hosting a PAC 101 education night on Tuesday 16th May at 6.30pm to discuss the role of PAC. Location to be advised. This is aimed at existing PAC members as well as parents considering a role on their local PAC. Lite meal will be provided. RSVP to info@vcpac.ca
- The next meeting is 30th May and everyone is welcome to attend http://vcpac.ca/
- Nominations for the VCPAC Awards are open until May 12. Please see http://www.vcpac.ca/vcpac-news/15-vcpac-award-nominations for all categories. The nomination form and process are at the bottom of that page. Our very own Lisa Woo was a deserving award recipient last year!
- The members voted to endorse the <u>BCCPAC 2017 Resolutions and Elections</u>
- There is one-time funding to support equity across schools. The idea of equity is to maintain a level playing field for all students. The committee would like input about what our priorities should be for the use of one-time funding to support equity across schools. There is no deadline for the input to be submitted, so the VCPAC encourages discussion at PACs

Emergency Prep:

- Lesley D will be collecting the 400 emergency blankets this week.

Treasurer:

- The Treasurer's report dated 3rd May 2017 was passed around and discussed. We are in a strong position and things are generally going as planned.
- Actual bank statements and bank balance slips for April were also circulated and approved.
- Submissions by teachers for PAC funds have been received and will be reviewed in advance of the budget meeting.
- The PAC budget meeting will be held at 7pm on Wednesday 10th May. RSVP if you would like to attend and address details will be supplied. This will be to create the draft PAC budget that will then be tabled at the June PAC meeting. Final approval will be requested at the Sept PAC meeting.
- The PAC lunch programme is going well and some discussions were held as to how we can improve the healthy food aspect of our offerings such as trialling thin crust pizzas. Any ideas or suggestions are welcome lampac2015@gmail.com
- The gaming grant will need to be applied for soon.

Principals Report (Tina Pierik) -

- The 40th anniversary celebrations will be held at the school on 5th May and will run from 4pm to 10pm. It will include cake, BBQ, bar, basketball and Mesmer the hypnotist. Tickets for food and drink will be available on the night.
- The new start up time was discussed and an example of the proposed new timetable was passed around for review and discussion. The daily start time will be moved to 8.50am with time savings taken from recesses and transition to ensure the same finishing times. The new timetable will be a 4 block schedule and LP block will remain. There are several advantages

- to these changes as the consistency will allow for easier staff recruitment as well as allow students to take advantage of uStart classes at UVIC. This program allows high achieving students the opportunity to enroll in selected courses at the University of Victoria for dual credit during their grade 12 year.
- Staff planning is underway based on the course selections of students (they will find out mid June). We will be getting 2 new teachers due to the retirement of Mr Carter and Ms Mcinnes. We will also be getting 5 new FTEs. Student enrollment numbers will stay much the same as although we are losing a large graduating year we also have a large incoming Grade 9 year. However, to give staff more flexibility the staff room is currently being revamped to allow more preparation space for teachers which will help free up classroom space.
- The High School principals in the District have decided not to run Open Houses in 2018 and instead will focus their efforts on welcoming the incoming Grade 8s from their family of schools.
- The Grade 8 transition day will be on Thursday 18th May. A request for early dismissal was discussed and agreed.
- Irene Ives, vice Principal, is currently on medical leave and we all wish her well.

New Business:

- Darren Reed the nighttime custodian joined the meeting to highlight the proposed changes to custodial services. There could be a possible impact on standards within the school following the proposed drop in maintenance staffing of 12-13%. It was felt that parents needed to be aware that adjustments will be made to cope with the loss of staff such as locking off bathrooms during the day to allow for deep cleans, no changing of lightbulbs during the day, no set up or take down of furniture, etc. The PAC felt that it was worthwhile expressing parental concerns via a letter directly to the school Superindetent Piet Langstraat and will be encouraging individual parents to also make contact.
- The Scholarship committee now needs to meet to read the scholarship submissions. Faye H, Rita L and Corrie D have all volunteered to help.

Next PAC meeting will be on **Wednesday 7th June** at 7pm. This is our AGM and any interested persons who would like to attend or put themselves forward for a position are very welcome.

Meeting adjourned at 8.55pm