Lambrick Park Secondary School PAC Meeting minutes 8th May 2019

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Present – Lisa W (PAC President), Lesley D (Vice PAC President), Faye H (Secretary), Derek C (Treasurer), Valerie M (VC PAC Rep), Tina P (Principal), Tom T, Guest Speaker – Shawna Kisell from Friesens.

Meeting called to order 7.06pm Approval of Agenda and Introductions Approval of previous meeting minutes - Apr 2019

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

<u>Guest Speaker – Shawna Kisell, Friesons</u>

- The meetings started with a presentation from a company called Friesons who produce an app called My School Day. This is an app designed to assist with communication and planning for students, care givers and teaching and admin staff. It is used across a number of schools in BC and can include messages from the office, communication from teachers, news and announcements, student timetables, links to web pages,etc. PAC and school admin are considering its benefits to the school and would welcome any feedback. The cost would be \$3,000 for the first year and \$2,000 per year every year after that and would be a shared cost between the PAC and the school.

Recent Events (Lisa W):

- The Grade 9 Immunisation day went smoothly = thank you to all the parent volunteers who helped.
- Parent and teacher interviews were held on April 10th and feedback was good however some parents requested that these meetings could be held a bit earlier in the year.

Upcoming Events (Lisa W):

- The sign up for Moonfest in Sept 2019 is coming up and we have to decide if we are going to sign up to sell burgers/hotdogs,etc as a fundraiser. It was felt it was worth considering (we made \$1300 last year) and we would reach out to the organizers from Saanich.
- Nominations for the PAC Exec are still being welcomed and the AGM will be held at the June 5th PAC meeting. Any interested person can make contact via the PAC email -<u>lampac2015@gmail.com</u>

PAC President (Lisa W):

- new App called MySchoolApp. Some concerns were expressed over the cost (\$1500) per year and whether it would be beneficial enough to all parents and students to justify this expense. It was felt that it was worth looking at what other schools use (Mt Doug) and consider a presentation by the provider.

VCPAC:

- Thank you to Val Montague who is stepping down as our VCPAC rep as her daughter graduates from Lambrick. Val has been a great link between our school and the VCPAC and we appreciate all her hard work.
- The new VCPAC executive have now been voted in and more information can be found on the VCPAC website <u>http://vcpac.ca/</u>
- The next VCPAC meeting is on 28th May at Mount Douglas Secondary school. Start time is 7pm.
- Feedback was given by Val who attended the recent boundary catchment areas meeting. More meetings are being held to discuss this important topic and the deadline for feedback has been extended until 3rd June. More information is available on the SD61 website. - <u>https://www.sd61.bc.ca/news-events/news/title/letter-from-the-superintendentboundary-review-update</u>

Treasurer (Derek C):

- Derek reviewed the key items from this month's budget. All is going well, and expenses are coming in every 2 months or so from the office.
- About \$15,000 is still to be spent from the PAC budget on previously agreed items for teaching staff and they have until school year end to do so or the money must return to the books to be voted on and reallocated next school year.
- Lisa agreed to check if we need to sign up again for the Thrifty foods fundraising programme or if it rolls over automatically. It doesn't raise a lot of money, but all agreed it was a worthwhile fundraising option. The cards can still be used over the summer months.

Principals Report (Tina P):

- Tina announced that she will be moving on at the end of this school year and taking up a new role as Principal at Esquimalt from September. Gord Mitchell who is the current Principal of Colquitz Middle School will be joining Lambrick as Principal. We wish them both well in their new roles.
- On the 24th April the Grad transition interviews took place with over 30 members of the community getting involved.
- The May 1st career day at UVIC and Camosun was very successful for the Grade 9s and 10s and included some excellent information on traditional course routes as well as the hugely successful SIPS (South Island Partnership) programmes. These are opportunities for high school students to attend post secondary level courses whilst still in High school.
- Lambrick Park Junior Girls soccer team are the City champions after a string of recent wins.
- The Family of schools Terry Fox run on 11th April was a great success despite some overcast weather.
- The Lambrick Park athletes had a fantastic day at the Lower Island Championships with 13 first places, 7 second places and 3 third places. Next, the athletes will be attending the Provincial competitions in Kelowna.

- The lunchtime talent show will be taking place for students on Wednesday 15th May.
- May 16th is early dismissal for students as we welcome the incoming Grade 9 students for an orientation afternoon.
- 17th May is a Pro D Day and also Lambrick Park is hosting the Love is Love conference on the same day in the school. It is free and includes food and youth workshops. It runs from 9am to 3pm and all are welcome. Information can be found on the school website -<u>https://lambrickpark.sd61.bc.ca/</u>
- 25th May a previous Lambrick Park Principal Kevin Leuchies will be co-ordinating a bottle drive and bake sale with Leadership students from both Lambrick and Gordon Head to raise funds for a family in Haiti who were devastated by the earthquakes.
- 30th May will see the Aboriginal Grad ceremony take place at the Songhees Wellness Centre. Lambrick Park has 9 students joining in the celebrations this year.
- June 7th is the Graduation ceremony at Uvic and June 25th is the Grad dinner and dance.
- June 14th will be yearbook day and will include a BBQ.
- 19th and 20th June are exam days, English 12 will be on the 24th June, the Numeracy assessment will be on 25th June and Comms 12 is on 27th June

Next PAC meeting will be on <u>Wednesday 5th June 2019.</u>

Meeting adjourned at 8.07pm