LSS PAC MEETING OCTOBER 21, 2024

In attendance: Cathy Worall, Natalie Carmichael, Kaeli Seward, Michelle McKinnon, Ciara Barber, Meredith Dew, Michele Green, Kelly Dewar, Bridgette Dahlie, Carrie Sterma, Bonnie Macaskill, Shahnas, Chantelle Hubbs, Dianne Smilie, Susan Havinga

MEMBERS

Cathy Worall - President

Alex Joeh - Vice-president

Michelle McKinnon - Treasurer

Natalie Carmichael - Secretary

Natalie Carmichel - DPAC rep

Bonnie Macaskill - Member at Large

Solanlle Panguinao - Member at Large

Michelle Grey - Member at Large

1. Meeting called to order at 7:06 p.m.

Approval of meeting Agenda for October 21, 2024 meeting Approval of minutes from the September 23, 2024 PAC meeting Carried all in favour

2. Administration report

Principal – Diane Smillie

- Busy working with staff on action plan goals
- Main school wide goals are:
 - Literacy & Numeracy
 - o Improve tier 1 universal design for all learners to access lessons
 - Reduce chronic non-attendance/remove barriers for those students and families
- Informal learning updates sent out the week of October 15, 2024
- Building expansion scheduled to start in January 2025, construction to begin in April 2025 and completion is September 2026
- New this year Student Council Elections
- Leadership organizing a Halloween event for spirit week

2. Special Presentation

Susan Havinga - Restorative Action Coordinator at Community Justice Initiatives

- Non-profit
- Work in community / workplaces / schools / community organizations
- Program started in 2000
- Use restorative practices such as:
 - What led to this
 - What was going on
 - What was the intention
 - Values, emotions, goals
 - Student self awareness
 - o Reduce shame and guilt
- Students who are harmed need to have their voice heard as well, "this is how this impacted me"
- Help students engage in self-awareness "why am I doing this?"
- Mediations are done in a Peace Circle (which is already being practiced at LSS)
- Referrals come from school Admin team and sometimes from students/families
- More information online https://cjibc.org/

3. Executive Reports

President's Report - Nothing to report

Vice-President – Nothing to report

Treasurer

Michelle's last day as LSS PAC treasurer is October 21, 2024

Secretary – Nothing to report

DPAC Rep

- Attended the October 17, 2024 Langley DPAC meeting (Via Zoom)
- Ongoing reminder Parent ED funds available \$50 per person per year, courses, workshops, books, online courses.
- Food Safe Funding available 4 per PAC per year
- Joel Neufeld school trustee, spoke with Mayor Woodward re PACs paying for land use. The mayor is now aware the PACs are being charged to use fields for fundraisers.
 If a school is charged, reach out to DPAC and they will email Joel to sort out.
- All enrolling positions filled. Except for leaves (i.e. maternity or medical)
- 26,000 students in langley, diverse learner, indigenous, ELL learner numbers all increased.
- Michael Carlyle Feeding Futures

- Partner with local food banks and community based organizations
- Food literacy and education. Working with Fraser Health for education parent & student
- Measure success look at the fact that we have universally across the district school breakfast and lunch program
- Metro vancouver 1 in 7 children living in poverty
- 15 to 20% of families may need to access the program
- Next DPAC meeting is on November 21, 2024 at the School Board office

4. New Business

- Michelle has resigned as treasurer as of October 22, 2024. Nominations for new treasurer are now open.
- November 18, 2024 is the PAC budget meeting. PAC will go over and approve/deny teacher funding requests
- Discussions regarding increasing the amount of the PAC scholarships from \$500 to \$750.

5. Old Business

- Christmas Market is scheduled for November 17, 2024 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Set up is at 8:00 a.m. Volunteers still needed. Reach out to michellemckinnon1987@gmail.com & meredithdew@hotmail.com if you are able to assist.
- Fundraising for scholarships, Cathy has drafted a letter to solicit donations from the school community. All in attendance approve of the letter. Letter to be sent to school community.
- Michele Green has been in touch with Tin Lizzie Concessions to arrange / coordinate fundraisers specifically for the Grad scholarships.
- Options include mini-donuts and bubble tea.
- Pre-sales likely will be needed.
- Will advertise with the first fundraiser to be held approximately in March .
- 6. Meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

NEXT MEETING IS NOVEMBER 18, 2024 @ 7 P.M. IN THE LEARNING COMMONS

- November 18, 2024
- January 20, 2025
- February 24, 2025
- April 28, 2025
- May 26, 2025 AGM



our services

The Langley Restorative Action Program operates as a partnership between Community Justice Initiatives Association, and the Langley School District. The program seeks to engage youth and school communities in restorative practices to build positive relationships, healthy learning environments, and skills for navigating conflict. We seek to support school to incidents of harm.

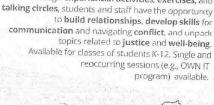




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In instances of harm or conflict, Restorative Action facilitators work with parties involved to create and guide a restorative process. The restorative process is based on:

- inviting full, voluntary participation and consensus
- working towards healing what has been broken.
- seeking meaningful accountability
- reintegrating where there has been division
- strengthening the community and individuals to prevent further harm



Through experiential activities, exercises, and





Restorative Action training is available by request for groups of students and staff, virtually or in-person, Duration and themes can be modified to suit the needs of your school community.

Training topics may include restorative justice philosophy and values, responding restoratively to conflict and harm, and development of communication and facilitation skills for mediation or Peace Circles.