

## **LSS PAC MEETING**

Monday, February 13, 2023

In attendance: Erika Peebles, Tanya Lightbody, Natalie Carmichael, Cathy Worrall, Chantale Hubbs, Jen Elderkin, Brittany Reid

### **MEMBERS:**

President: Tanya Lightbody

Treasurer: Erika Peebles

Secretary: Natalie Carmichael

DPAC Rep: Chantale Hubbs

Members at Large: Cathy Worrall and Jen Elderkin

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Adoption of minutes from previous LSS PAC meeting
  - Motion by Jen, second by Cathy
3. Administration Report:
  - Presentation at the Board of Education by Dean Pacheco, Jordan Howlett and Brittany Reid;
  - LSS had the best graduation rate last year, the admin were there at the meeting to discuss successful strategies that were implemented. The same admin team presented at the superintendent meeting as well;
  - Grade 9 mini-capstones done on transition day this year. Presentations done in the small gym, presentations done to different teachers. Format was successful and allowed more connections with students;
  - Musical is coming up on February 23, 2023. The crew is hard at work setting up;
  - Course planning is underway;
  - Black History month – several students approached the staff and are working on a school wide lesson plan for the school for Black History month with a focus on Canadian Black History. Students will present the lesson. The students felt that this history has been overlooked by curriculum and would like to take the lesson plan to the district and have the lesson plan implemented into the curriculum. The lesson will be

planned for the school wide rep time on February 27.

4. President's Report:

- Nothing to report.

5. Treasurer's Report:

- We currently have episode \$5,725.01 in our general account, the cheque for the baseball pitching has been cashed as well as the cheque for the bus. We have \$23,770 in our gaming account, the dry grad cheque and the cheque for the jerseys has been cashed;
- Spoke with Tammy, and she is going to put all bills together in packing and beginning in April she is going to remind the teachers of the last day you can get anything to us, so we can close out the books for the year and anything else will have to go forward to next year.

6. Secretary Report:

- Nothing to report.

7. DPAC report:

- Meeting on February 16, 2023

- **Langley School District Presentation**

**A. Jessica Bain, Respect and Diversity Week**

- Several initiatives over the years: "We all Belong" stickers, "Be an Ally" posters...
- 2023 – "Every Child Matters" T Shirts with rainbow feather and World map posters with stickers
- Examples of what schools are doing this year:
  - Elementary – heart of hands
  - DGR – kindness tickets
  - Peter Ewart – rainbow colour
  - LFA – older kids going into younger classes to do buddy reading
  - Langley Meadows – diverse abilities day

**B. Marcello Moino, Assistant Superintendent:**

Professional Learning Collaboration (PLC) / Hubs

- Professional Learning Communities (team approach) and Response to Intervention (action taken, review, revise as needed)
- Based in the District's Strategic Plan
- Systems and Structures / Ensouling our Schools in the

### Continuous Improvement Plan

- “*Collective Teacher Efficacy*” #1 Effect size in Hattie’s Meta-Analysis (most impactful)
- District Continuous Improvement Plan – focused approach built on the foundation of Social & Emotional learning: Creating compassionate classroom communities
- Topped by: Systems & Structures – *response to intervention* and Instructional practice – framework for teaching & learning

### PLC and Response to Intervention:

What is it that we want students to learn (curriculum and instruction)  
How do we know if they have learned it? (assessment)  
What do we do if they haven’t learned it (Intervention: Tier 1,2,3)  
What do we do if they have? (Extension / Enrichment)

This all requires a team based approach; no one teacher can accomplish this with each student. Collaboration time builds staff capacity and supports alignment as these questions are answered.

### **Scholarships: Local, School Based and District Authority**

- Encourage students to take advantage of these opportunities
- Once you’ve written one scholarship application, you can re-use; they mostly ask what are you passionate about
- Biggest barrier to scholarships is students applying
- Approximately 40 open awards, approximately 28 school based awards (LSS)
- Criteria: 67% average, attend post secondary within 2 years, must have SIN
- Qualifications: career interest, parent / family connections, community / team / association involvement, based on your passions, based on the elementary school you attended
- Take the time to sit down and complete the application; most are now online and are approximately 75 yes / no or short answer questions
  - Have your top 2 career and top 2 post secondary intentions
  - List extra curricular for grades 10 – 12 and your supervisor(s)
  - List your community involvement and your role(s)
  - Hardship, Financial Need
  - Learning disability or chronic health condition or

extenuating circumstances

- Also: District Authority Awards – must be Canadian Citizen \$1,250 voucher with up to 5 years to redeem
    - 7 different categories
    - Deadline: Friday, March 3, 2023
  - Each school has grade 12 counselling website with link to scholarships
  - Mostly based on leadership, not GPA
  - Also link on SD35 website: <https://www.sd35.bc.ca/students-parents/scholarship-information/>
- **Superintendent Report** - Mal Gill, SD 35 Superintendent – sends regrets - Marcello Moino
    - Strategic plan – met with at least 2 students from every high school for their input
    - What do we do well, what can we improve
    - Do you feel you're getting the academic supports you need for graduation
    - What can we do to improve your supports for graduation
  - **DPAC Parent Ed**
    - a) Feb 23, April 27 (Two-part series with Michael Morgan)  
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/empowering-families-by-creating-welcoming-and-inclusive-schools-tickets-535154139437>
    - b) April 13<sup>th</sup> “Let’s Talk Youth Exploitation” with Tiana Sharifi, Sexual Exploitation Education  
<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/lets-talk-youth-and-exploitation-tickets-534127398427>
- Next School Board Meeting: February 21, 2023
  - Next DPAC Meeting: March 30<sup>th</sup> – online via teams
  - DPAC AGM May 25<sup>th</sup> – Upcoming DPAC Executive elections: looking to fill President, Treasurer, VP2 and MAL positions. Please consider and share to your parent communities. Email us to inquire! [Info@langleydpac.ca](mailto:Info@langleydpac.ca)
8. Old Business
- Revisions to the draft constitution were discussed. Natalie to send to Dean to circulate to the school community. Any feedback from the school community will need to be received by the PAC by **March 10,**

**2023** as the PAC will be voting to implement the new Constitution at the next PAC meeting on April 17, 2023.

9. New Business
  - Nomination committee will need to be formed in order to get nominations for PAC next year. Natalie and Jen will work together on this.
10. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Next PAC meeting is on April 17, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Learning Commons.