

Linden Meadows Parent Advisory Council

MINUTES

FEBRUARY 19, 2025 6:30PM

LM LIBRARY

FACILITATOR	Crystal Henderson, Chair		
TYPE OF MEETING	Parent Council Meeting		
NOTE TAKER	Stephanie Krcadinac		
CALLED TO ORDER	6:33pm		
ATTENDEES	Nina Wang, Lisa Fang, Yu Wang, Daniel Doerksen, Lesley Watts, Richard Fyfe, Shauna Fyfe, Angela Kuzminski, Tara Liu, Anna Drewniak, Heather Grower, Jessica Classen, Michelle Barclay,		
REGRETS	Darren Oughton, Denise Stephenson, Gillian Romeo, Allison Zegalski, Christin Chiapetta		
MOTIONS	FIRST	SECOND	MOTION PASSED
Motion to accept February 2025 meeting minutes	Heather	Richard	Yes

ADMINISTRATION UPDATE – Darren Oughton / Michelle Barclay

Enrolment (currently) 443 students

K 27 (13; 14)

Gr. 1/2 86 (4 classrooms with 20-22 kids/class)

Gr. 3/4 100 (4 classrooms with 25 kids/class)

Gr. 5/6 119 (5 classrooms with 23-25 kids/class)

Gr. 7/8 111 (5 classrooms with 22-25 kids/class)

Staffing Update

- Ms Johnston remains at half-time until spring break and is sharing the position with Mrs. Loeppky (regular sub in the building)
- No information regarding LM staffing allocation for next year at this time.

Curriculum and Learning

- Network services are slowly being restored. Information shared by the division with parents is the same information schools have regarding the cyber security issue.
- Festival du Voyageur for gr. 5/6 Feb. 20
- Band Festival Feb 21 @ RBC
- Feb 26 Outdoor Learning Day – Festival du Voyageur theme
- Gr. 7/8 Ski Trip on Feb 27; 28 at Asessippi
- Gr. 7/8 Winter Activity Day at YFC on Feb 28.

Japan Exchange presentation

-Michelle presented a short powerpoint on the experience. 13 kids and 3 teachers were part of this program. They experienced school life, cultural, shogun temple, Ueno zoo, city hall, Kawaba, Rugby meet and greet.

Questions for Admin

Question asked about the return of Ms. Nichols.

-At this point, Ms. Nichols is scheduled to return after spring break.

Question asked about Edsby Passwords

-Passwords have been changed due to the data breach. Contact school admin if you have lost your password.

Question about Kindergarten enrolment (progress)

-Currently going well. There was a kindergarten information night earlier this month. Richard was in attendance to present PAC. Several out of catchment applications already. Often in-catchment applications are received later as these students know they will be accepted.

Question about the difference between fitness and gym.

-Fitness isn't necessarily in the gym, and would typically be exercises, yoga, stretching etc.

Question about Arctic/Polar recess and whether the school would consider this as an option

-Polar/Arctic recess is allowing children (with the permission of their parents) outdoors for recess when it's -27 or colder. (Currently at -27 it is indoor recess for all students). Michelle mentioned if parents show interest in this, it is something that could be explored as an option.

VICE CHAIR REPORT – Tara Liu

No Report

SUPER LUNCH REPORT – Jessica Classen / Heather Grower

Superlunch is well underway. Subway is this week. Overall, numbers of those ordering is lower than previous years.

McDonalds super lunch will continue into March (with 1 more lunch offering) and then an alternative food option will be given an opportunity. The food is not meeting expectations and the kids aren't enjoying it.

In talks with Smokin' Bobs to try it as a trial (burgers & hot dogs)

COMMUNICATIONS REPORT – Angela Kuzminski

PAC now has a label maker. Labels were printed for the classroom support program. This identifies the items in each classroom as a result of PAC initiatives can be identified. The goal of the labels is to raise awareness for PAC.

CHAIR REPORT – Crystal Henderson

Crystal updated us on the LM Classroom support project. This initiative was partially funded by the Kernels fundraiser and gave each teacher \$200 to spend in their classroom as they saw fit. Several teachers have already submitted what they have purchased.

PAC succession planning. There are 4 meetings left in this school year, and several members will be "retiring" next year. May is when elections for next years positions are held. If interested, attend in person or send an email to lindenmeadowspac@gmail.com. Make sure to Follow us on IG: @lindenmeadowspac

Positions on PAC:

Chair, Vice-chair, treasurer, secretary, communications, superlunch (admin position / hotlunch website manager), Superlunch (onsite coordinator), fundraising, special events (carnival, spring fling), buildings & Grounds, PAC volunteers at large for various tasks throughout the year.

New positions discussion: (discussion and suggestions) – EAL support, special events “team”, décor position.

TREASURER REPORT – Richard Fyfe

No report

FUNDRAISING REPORT – Lisa Fang & Nina Wang

Kernels fundraiser has been completed and will be submitted this week. Popcorn will be delivered closer to spring break. This year the ordering system was online using the “hot lunch” system, it went smoothly, and will continue for following years.

SOCAL REPORT – Denise Stephenson

No Report

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS REPORT – Gillian Romeo

No Report

NEW BUSINESS/ROUNDTABLE

See above chair report

Next Meeting: March 19, 2025 @ 6:30pm

Adjournment: 7:43pm.