

Minutes of Lavington Elementary School PAC

Regular monthly meeting held in gym at Lavington Elementary, and via online link, on November 4, 2021

In Attendance:

Guests: Nigel Maccagno, Elsa Haug, Robert Lee

Members: Julie Kentel (Past President), Chelsea George (Interim Treasurer), Jennifer Brandle-McCall (Secretary), Genevieve Dunbar (Director), Nicky Dunlop (President), Kylie Walman (DPAC Rep), Angela Barnes (Director), Stephanie Wade (Vice President).

1. Welcome

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Quorum present. Nicky Dunlop President, welcomed those present. Introduction of attendees and guests.

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Kylie W. to approve the agenda with two additions. *CARRIED*.

3. Approval of Minutes of Meeting

Moved by Julie K. that the minutes of the October 7, 2021 meeting be approved. *CARRIED*.

4. Guests

Introduction of three guests:

- School Principal – Nigel Maccagno
- School Board Trustee – Robert Lee
- School Resource Teacher at Lavington - Elsa Haug

5. Reports

5.1. Trustees' Report (Robert Lee)

Covid recommendations were not forthcoming from the Ministry. Trustee Lee was disappointed with that and asked that a letter be written to authorities asking for direction. His motion regarding staff being vaccinated was tabled at the last meeting. A few questions were asked and answered.

5.2. Teachers' Rep (Elsa Haug)

Three key points: teachers are balancing many things but they are always putting children, and their learning, first; the teachers are a strong team working together; gratitude for the extra money they received from PAC for learning resources and for the special messages that are left for them in their cubbies.

5.3. Principal's Report (Nigel Maccagno)

Student/Parent/Teacher conferences went really well and it was great to have parents in the school again. About 75% of conferences were in person.

A few new staff since September but the team has done well to adjust and transition.

There will be a virtual assembly for Remembrance Day on Nov.10 at 10:45am.

Professional Development Day is Nov.12. Will cover 24 character strengths during the day with a presenter.

Spirit Day: Going well. Disc golf was incorporated into an activity recently.

Technology: new approach. Our school technology will be distributed throughout all the classes evenly. iPads are the devices in primary that are most useful. Chrome books for intermediates.

Volleyball teams have really grown. Basketball will begin soon. A mini tourney will be Nov.10 with Hillview and Coldstream teams between 3pm-6pm.

Things that could benefit our school: a Medicine Wheel peace table (\$1300), Nature in the Classroom for 3 intermediate classes (\$125), 10 chrome books (\$322.22 per unit).

5.4. Financial Report (Nicky Dunlop)

Report was circulated in advance of meeting. Discussion on the GIC funds and various expenses.

Jennifer moved the purchase of a Medicine Wheel at the cost of \$1,300 for the school. Nicky seconded. *CARRIED.*

Chrome Book purchase request should remain on the purchase list for next meeting and until more fundraisers come in. *ACTION.*

Julie moved putting \$3000 back into a GIC. *CARRIED.*

5.5. DPAC Report (Kylie Walman)

Kylie reviewed the written reports from the last two months and took questions.

5.6. Fundraising (Nicky Dunlop and Steph Wade)

Updates on current fundraisers were provided. Grade 7 Grad fundraiser is going on right now with Christmas wreaths and products.

Discussed Christmas basket raffles that we may hold online. Steph has agreed to lead this fundraiser. Discussion occurred. Angela B. and Kylie W. offered to help Steph with the raffle. Jennifer BM. offered communication support with materials.

Jennifer BM. will lead a small concession and work with PAC members to offer concession services for next week's boys' volleyball tourney on Wednesday, Nov. 10.

5.7. Action Items (Nicky Dunlop)

Reviewed old action items.

Will carry over Jennifer BM. Connecting with Hot Lunch Moms' business regarding Christmas Cookies and offering that as a possible fundraiser. *ACTION.*

6. New Business

None

7. Meeting adjourned at 8:29pm

8. Next Meeting: Dec. 2 6:30pm on Zoom and in gym

Secretary: Jennifer Brandle-McCall

Note: These minutes are the best interpretation of discussions held during the meeting by Jennifer Brandle-McCall. Any noteworthy errors or omissions are unintentional.