

Leslie Frost P.S. Parent Advisory Council

Minutes for the Meeting May 15, 2019 – 6:00 LFPS library

A) Welcome

Voting members present: (parents) Beckie Kellett, Lisa Grozelle, Meredith Dando, Jennifer Curtis, Jennifer Mabee
(staff) Julie White,
(Community) Brenda MacAlpine

Regrets: (parents) Amanda Chevrier, Corrie Worden, Erin Matthew, (staff) Angie Shows

Absent: Jennii Larocque,

Note: Angie Shows has given proxie to Julie White

Note: quorum is present (7/13)

Non-Voting Members Present: Darla McQuarrie, Angela Tompkins

Others present:

(parents) Chantel Jameson, Kristy Howie, (guest) Jacey Mabee

B) Approval of previous minutes from March 27, 2019

Changes/amendments:

1) Spring Fling cancelled so funds and activities could be incorporated into Culture Night.

2) Welcome to Kindergarten is May 23 (not April 23)

Moved: Becky Kellett

Second: Lisa Grozelle

MOTION CARRIED

C) Principal's Report (Darla McQuarrie-Principal)

-letter home from TLDSB re: changes to FI starting September 2019; Due to shortage of French language teachers across the province French Immersion will now commence in Grade 1 (not SK). Q&A posted on school messenger: yes out of area students can still register for JK/SK at LFPS if intend to enroll in French Immersion in Grade 1. Decision to start mathematics instruction in English in grade 3 has been DEFERRED. Other school boards (Durham and Ottawa) have already implemented both changes

-french grants money has provided: drumming performance, author visit this coming Friday, dufflebag theater

-year-end field trips and all bussing booked. (Hastings Blades of Glory-grade 4s. Grade 6s to Canoe museum for new workshop that corresponds to curriculum-Grade 6s:own paddle). JK/SK may not go off site since Maple Bush trip was just in April.

-check LFPS website calendar

-need volunteers for Book Fair June 3-6th between 9-4. Contact Julie Mah through LFPS main office

-EQAO starting Tuesday after long weekend.

-Welcome to Kindergarten May 23

-track and field re-booked to May 17 and 22. Visitors welcome: no record check necessary, sign in at office. Shade canopy has been ordered for this year. June 5th regional track meet at Central Public School.

-Grade 5&6 students invited to "girls talk"- optional special event. Bussing not available. Parents driving need to complete additional forms (contact the office).

-Mass band day at LCVI complete

-Gardening program started

-pedal for hope completed

-rugby and golf clinics underway

-year-end assembly June 26 for retiring teachers

-spirit day May 31st: wild hair day

-inventory of math manipulatives currently.

- D) **Financial Update** (Beckie for Corrie Worden-Treasurer)
-Money approved for spending have started to come out

E) Culture Night Report (Jacey Mabee)

- 250-300 people participated
 - additional workshops added (bath salts, music and sports, Inuit presentation, French story reading and bookmarks, crate making, planting pansies, name boards)
 - 11 student volunteers from IE Weldon assisted as well as many teachers and parents.
 - final report provided
- THANKS to Jacey Mabee for all the work in organizing this event

F) CFP Update (Beckie for Shukri)

- Summer French camp (Les Petits Pommes- Mary Clements) advertised today for week of July 8th. States it will be at LFPS but building is not available this summer. Location TBA.
- looking for Chairperson and Treasurer in order to continue
- If further details provided could put notice in newsletter. Beckie will contact Shukri to request information be sent to Darla

G) Outdoor Project Update (Darla McQuarrie)

- quote for rocks is in. waiting for drier conditions to deliver
- getting vendors approved for various elements (TLDSB need 3 quotes and need to be from approved vendors)
- some materials here but waiting for yard conditions to improve

H) Child Care Update (Meredith for Brenda MacAlpine)

- will be participating in Welcome to Kindergarten night May 23
- summer program will be at a different location this summer due to school repairs

I) **Spring Fling Update** (Beckie Kellett)

- cancelled so funds and activities could be incorporated into Culture Night to support increased attendance
- If grants are to continue consider changing an event to one in the Fall and one spring or combine events again in the Spring

J) **Head Lice Subcommittee** (Amanda Chevrier-away)

- Group in on Monday this week and planned to come Friday however author visit and track and field now also booked for Friday.
- Meredith will contact Amanda about rescheduling Friday

K) **Nutrition Break Supervision update** (Meredith Dando)

- preparing for open meeting June 10 6:30pm at IE Weldon- Cafeteria
- letter/email in the works to other PAC in TLDSB to invite all interested parents and caregivers

L) **New Business**

1) **Grade 6 farewell** (Darla McQuarrie)

- June 25th at Central Public School 6-7pm
- Casual wear encouraged
- Planning goodbye BBQ, yearbooks and group photo June 6th

MOTION: Parent council to purchase BBQ supplies for grade 6 farewell event

Motion: Jenifer Mabee

Seconded: Lisa Grozelle

Motion carried

2) Skipping Team and Safe and Accepting Team

SKIPPING Club:

- Mme. Gilmour has started a skipping club (open to all grades) 3 times/week in mini-gym
- retired teacher willing to assist with establishing a formal program next year if there is a LFPS teacher interested

SAFE and ACCEPTING Team:

- will be on sign up list for teachers to volunteer to lead next year
- Darla is Safe and Accepting representative for LFPS

NOTE: Must have teacher/staff member representative to run a student club but parent volunteers are welcome to offer to assist.

NOTE: consider sending out Volunteer Interest survey early in September to try and promote increased parent/caregiver engagement. Include time commitment etc.

3) Spring Fling at Central

- flyers handed out to invite Grade 6s to Spring Fling at Central

4) Welcome to Kindergarten May 23

- CPF welcome to have information table
- Parent Council welcome to have information table

M) Ideas for Newsletter

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Next Meeting Date: June 5th -bring peanut free snacks