

LMS Parent Council

Meeting # 2 Minutes

November 5, 2020

Meeting held via Microsoft Teams

Meeting called by: Brea Williams

Present: Samantha Amaral, Marian Henry, Trevor, Stewart Thiessen, Lesley Cotsianis, Brea Williams, Kyle Lizotte, Jason Kehler, Alicia Ali, Candace Huggard, Corrie

1. Call to Order 632 pm by Brea Williams.

Motion-

Second by Trevor

Motion carried

2. Past Minutes

AGM minutes taken by Ms. Amaral

Motion to accept- Trevor

Seconded by Corrie

Motion carried

3. Treasurer's report (Corrie)

Marian Henry discussed last school year's year end

September Financial Report forwarded to Mr. Lizotte and Corrie. End of September \$22,309.58

Chequing 17, 500, savings 5,000

Only activity in account since September is \$2.50 administrative fee. This cannot be stopped, but can be reversed by the bank. The reversal just needs to be requested. Request to reverse fee can be made monthly or annually

Recommend 3 signing authorities on the account in case someone is not available

Brea to get forms started to transfer signing authority

Question re balance sheet- date states Sept 1 to May 23- is this correct? Should say up to September 23, 2020

Motion to accept finances- Brea

Seconded by Corrie

Motion carried

Discussion about who can vote- executive and any school families in attendance can vote.

4. Administration Report (Mr. Lizotte)

4.1. Enrolment

Grade 6: 95

Grade 7: 119

Grade 8: 130

Total: 344

4.2. Staff Updates

Philippa Winsnes – Grade 8 ELA/Science/Social Studies

Teaching in room 29 (foods room) New homeroom created about 3 weeks into the school year.

Working out well .

Christine Baldwin- surplus teacher- here to support in case there is no substitute. Supports online learners as well. Hired until end of December.

Mendy Wolchock Moroz (EA-C)- ½ time

Tommy Zhang (Caretaker)- Comes to us from board office.

4.3. Thank you

For continuing the tradition of the Lincoln Parent Council during this extraordinary year

4.4. Recent School Events, Clubs, and Supports of/For Learning

- Academics:

- 12 Math Periods
- 12 ELA Periods
- 6 SS
- 5 Science (grade 6,7) 6 Science (grade 8)
- 4 French (grade 6,7) 3 French (grade 8)
- 5 Phys Ed
- 3 Wellness
- 3 Woods/Arts = Grade 6
- 3 Music/Arts = Grade 7
- 3 Music/Band = Grade 8

Recovery learning was the theme at the beginning of the year. Additional math periods added at the beginning of year. September was not about assessment- was focused on catching up. October/November focused on moving on to new learning.

Tests/quizzes/projects will be added going forward

- Arts:

- As of Oct. 19th we revised our timetable to include a small portion of our Arts Ed. Options. Difficult as cohorts can't yet mix. This will continue to be revised as the year progresses.
- Current health conditions prevent most arts and band. Grade 8 band students are connected with Mr Kehler, playing at home.
- Grade 7 Music and art- want to give a musical experience
- Grade 6- paused at this time. Woodshop opened just for grade 6 use. Going through safety procedures in the woodshop. Arts happening as well

- Athletics:

- All co-curricular clubs and teams remain on hold until further notice.
- The revised schedule now ensures only two classes are scheduled for gym at any given time.
- Indoor gym will resume as the weather turns.

- Gym has been a challenge with the outdoor platform. Gym is open and ready to go. Cannot have more than once class at a time. One class will be in the gym, other class will be in an alternate space
- School Wide Initiatives:
Two rounds of Grade Group Meetings held to support:
 - Lion rebranding- clothing has been a success, gym floor done, next up is walls
 - Orange Shirt Day- held at end of September
 - Terry Fox Campaign- well supported online
 - Active Transportation Use
 - Social Media Use
 - Covid Procedures
 - Koats for Kids- 6/12
 - “Scaring is Caring” Spirit Week- high level of participation. Fundraising drive raised \$500 each for Kidsport and United Way. 500 pairs of socks for MSP
 - School Clothing
 - Use of Teams- continues to expand
 - And more!

4.5. Upcoming School Presentations and Events

- Picture Retakes- November 6th
- Remembrance Day Service (November 10th)- online, Thanks to Ms. Amaral for making this happen. Notes from the office will send out an invite
- No School on November 11th (Remembrance Day) and November 20th (report card writing)
- Parent/Teacher Connections – letter went out today. the first ½ hour, parents will see 4 teachers in a general session. Will get an idea of what’s happening in the classroom. Share what you can expect in terms of assessments, projects. Community platform for your child’s classroom. Can request an individual session with the teacher. If you cannot get an appointment, the teacher will be able to accommodate outside of the scheduled evening.
- December 2nd – Term 1 Report Cards
- Wall of Pride- used to be a wall of fame. Now have our Lincoln Pride- characteristics of a lion to emulate. Also, concept of taking care of our pride. Kids can be recognized in academics, athletics, citizenship, arts. There is a nomination form that will be shared in notes from the office. Will be a weekly request for names.

4.6. Building Enhancements, Improvements and “As Is” Items

Gym Floor Logo Replacement- done
 Gender Neutral Bathroom Heater- completed
 Upstairs Girls Bathroom Flooring
 Main Floor Bathroom Flooring
 Tarmac Repair- repaired over the summer
 No items up for offer- no surplus furnishings to offer to community at this time.

4.7. COVID Questions (Standing Agenda Item)

- Question about lockers- a plan is in place. Kids would come into school, go to homeroom. To access locker, still need to maintain 1-2 meters of distance. Kids would be broken into 4 waves. Kids go to locker, then next group would go. Difficulty is loss of in-class instructional time. Supplies will be in classroom, no locks on lockers but kids will store outdoor clothing in lockers. Challenges with carrying extra clothing being carried. Plan is in place to start once weather requires it. Will start classroom by classroom. An extra wipe down will occur for lockers in between uses- partway through morning and partway through afternoon.

4.8. Requests

Expansion of outdoor classroom-

Support with Jersey and Gym Rebranding

Library overhaul- looking for different ways to fund that

Will let parent council determine what direction to support

5. New Business

5.1. Financial- Signing authority on PAC accounts

Addressed as above

5.2. Fundraising- Possible fundraisers for 2020-2021

Past two years: toonie drive, Fundscrip (Christmas and Easter), pizza

In the interest of simplicity, would like to look at toonie draw and potentially Fundscrip

Marian and Corrie to review Fundscrip. Easy fundraiser. Spreadsheets are already developed.

Office assisted with printing forms.

Do we need to quarantine anything coming in from the kids?

Have we looked at any complete online fundraisers?

Flipgive was raised as an option- online shopping contributes 1-4% of the purchase to the school. Fundscrip delivered approx. \$30,000 worth of gift cards. Delivered to school, parents had to pick up or had to send a letter to the school to allow kids to pick up. Raised about \$12,000 last year.

Distribution is a challenge, but it can be worked around.

Toonie draw much more difficult due to COVID, but cleared between 2-3000 that went to legacy account.

Decision made to go ahead with Fundscrip immediately, with a plan to distribute gift cards before the holiday break. Brea, Marian, and Corrie to provide forms and information to the school. Will also look into FlipGive and consider setting up an account, and getting information to parents in December or January.

6. Next Meeting- Thursday, December 3, 2020 6:00 pm

7. Adjournment- 7:40 pm