

PAC Meeting

Logan Lake Elementary & Secondary School

Wednesday, September 18, 2024

Welcome/Call to order 6:00 pm

In attendance: Penny Armstrong, Ron Collins, Chelsea Silke, Sarah Reid, Pam Gaudry, Sarah Dwyer, Nicole Fletcher, Tara Gobbee, Jenn Doyle, Tyrae Doll, Rachel Dahl, Niki Shafer, Stephanie LeBeau, Amber Lynn Ellis.

Minutes from the last meeting were approved on chat

A Big thank you to Lauren Dwyer & Ciena Mullin for watching the kiddos during our meeting.

The next meeting is to be held on October 9th, 2024 at 5:30 pm at the high school

Chair report

September 18th 2024

Welcome everyone,

My name is Chelsea Silke and I'm your new PAC chair. As most of you know, we had our AGM last week and voted on a new executive. We have a large executive this year and we look forward to having a strong and productive year with the PAC.

We are looking for volunteers for our many projects coming up, there is a sign-up sheet here, please put your name down if you are willing to help in any way. It can be even the smallest thing. Perhaps you are good with a computer and want to help design posters, or maybe you are available for only a certain event or fundraiser. We welcome any amount of time that you can spare. The more help we have, the more we can do.

Currently, we are organizing an Apple fundraiser with the apples being delivered in mid-October and many other things that will be discussed tonight.

Thanks, everyone,

Chelsea Silke

PAC Chair

Principal Report

The schools are continuing to see growth in the student population and as of today we have 107 students at the K-4 building and 177 students registered at the elementary-secondary school. (69 elementary & 108 secondary students).

Elementary - Parents-teacher interviews (No Early Closure) Week of October 7-11

- Learning updates #1 December 13

Secondary - Interim reports October 3

- Parent-teacher interviews (Early closure) October 10

- Learning updates November 19

2023/25 Staffing update

Elementary

- CEA 3 Vacant

- Ms. Ferguson Grade 3 She is new to our school and we welcome her.

- Ms. Smith PE Prep, She has moved from the high school to the elementary

- Mr. Peel AEW

Mr. Collins briefly talked about the class configurations for the class in the elementary school there was an email sent out about the changes to the classes. Class are set up as, K-1, 1-2 then 3 & 4. The kindergarten class was put into split with grades 1 as we did not have enough kids to make a class as well, as we no longer had a kindergarten teacher returning.

Secondary

- Mr. Swires - Food/SS/English

- Mr. Beardwood- ADST/PE/SS 8/9 (TTOC-Mr. Tiessen filling in for Mr. Beardwood)

- Mr. Gilroy (Mr. Wedge) - English/Art - Mr. Gilroy is filling in for Mr. Wedge well, he recovers and deals with family stuff.

- Ms. Knox - Grade 7 Tues - Thurs

- Ms. Smith - Grade 7 Mon 7 Fri

- CEA 4 Vacant

- Mr. Peel- AEW

Graduation

- June 6 Grad Commencements (13 grads)
- First Parent meeting at the end of September
- PAC is looking to connect with a graduating student parent if they want any funds from the PAC they will need to attend a meeting.

Digital Student Portfolios

- We will experiment with a slightly new template this year
- Grade 2 - 12 Student Digital Portfolios
- Grade K - 2 Paper-based student assessment of core competencies and goal-setting
- All these things will be on the student's Digital Portfolios

Trades & Transitions opportunities

- 3 Students attending the DATA program at VSS (Valleyview Secondary School)
- 1 Student attending YTIT at TRU (Welding Trade)
- 1 Student attending Police & Justice Studies at TRU
- 1 Student attending Hairstyling programs at NKSS (North Kamloops Secondary School)
- Mr. Collins Mentioned that the mobile trade (welding program) MTU will be coming back in 2026 to the secondary school.

Upcoming / Past Events

Welcome back BBQ LLESS on Sept 20, as we will also have our Terry Fox run.
The elementary had their welcome-back BBQ on Sept 6.

We have a Pro day coming up Sept 23, 2024

Secondary student fee invoices Sept 19

Mug N Muffin LLES Sept 10 LLESS Sept 11 Great turnout as always for the grads 5-6 there are always lots of parents that come.

Dr. Nixon's visit on Sept 11 went well she visited both schools and got to meet some of the teachers and staff.

National Day of Truth & Reconciliation school will be closed on Sept 30th, 2024
Since school will be closed we will be having orange shirt day on Sept 27th, 2024

Photo day will be held on Sept 26, 2024

There was a discussion on the issues with the current photographer and how parents voiced their concerns on prices as families are not able to afford those prices when having multiple

kids, there were also complaints about the quality of the pictures. Unfortunately, we can not change the photographer at this time, but Mr. Collins will look into your concerns and discuss this for next year.

School board meeting on Oct 7, volunteers for food, etc. are Niki Shafer and Rachel Dahl, and Penny. This will be held at the elementary school lunchroom.

Fundraisers

Apple Order forms are to be sent out by Friday, September 13 and are due back on September 27, 20lbs box for \$30.00

Pick up date, times and place will be announced at a later date

Treasurer Report: Elementary

Gaming Account * \$ 6,422.10.
Regular account * \$ 4,364.95

Secondary

Gaming account * \$ 10,912.52
Regular account * \$ 10,376.86

Grade 5 - 6 Discussion

PAC and Mr. Collins had a big discussion on having grades 5-6 up at the high school. parents have sent in letters to the PAC/ Penny on their concerns.

Some of the concerns parents have are languages that are being heard as well as the inappropriate stories and conversations kids are coming home and repeating.

Mr. Collins said we can look into it but that there is a major process on getting this done as it changes the structure of how the classes and school are set up this will be discussed at a later date. PAC did mention that letters need to be written and lots need to be sent to the Kamloops school district that Logan Lake is part of as that is part of the steps of voicing our concerns and making changes.

There is room at the elementary at this time, but Mr. Collins did mention that it could change next year if numbers grow at the elementary.

High School Playground Committee

PAC had a discussion on a new playground for the high school this has also been an ongoing conversation for a while. During this meeting, we created a committee that will focus on getting this going starting with fundraising and also looking into asking companies around town about donating and more.

Our volunteers for this committee are Tyrae Doll, Sarah Reid, Stephanie LeBeau, Niki Ward, and Amber Ellis. Thanks to those who signed up.

Halloween discussion


There was a brief conversation on Halloween Dance and pumpkin carving tools, from Tara & Jenn that we will need to discuss further at the next meeting as we ran out of time at this meeting. Also about the WHY warm-up station

Discussion

Kids are all required to have locks on the locker if they cannot afford one or get one, they can go to the office and ask about one. Tara from the WHY will be giving a box of locks to the school for those who need one at no cost.

The District is offering affordable funds for those families that may require financial assistance with school funds.

Mr. Collins also purchased \$1,000 of Birchwood for the woodworking class and funds were taken from the woodwork account.



LOGAN LAKE ELEMENTARY SECONDARY

Fee Schedule for Course Enhancements 2023-2024

Enhancement fees were reviewed with Logan Lake's PAC on February 13, 2023 for the upcoming 2023-2024 school year. Highlighted costs outline any changes from last year.

ELEMENTARY

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| Grade 5-7 | \$48 \$42 | Student Activity Fee- Entire School Elem- includes agenda | \$15 |
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SECONDARY

| COURSES: | | | |
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| Visual Arts 8-10: Paint, brushes, paper, specialty consumables | \$20 \$20 | Foods Studies 8-9: Foods Studies 10-12: Groceries and supplies for food labs. | \$30 \$45 |
| Woodwork 8-9 Woodwork 10-12 <small>*Larger projects or exotic wood may be extra.</small> | \$15 \$35 | Metalwork 8-9: Metalwork 10-12: Metal, acetylene gas, solvents, and Hardware and other welding consumables; Individual projects | \$25 \$35 |
| Physical and Health Education 10-12: Field trips | \$40 | | |
| ADDITIONAL FEES: | | | |
| Student Activity Fee | \$15 | <small>*Student activity fees are used for full school leadership events other supplies used by the whole student body. *Textbook deposits are returned at the time of school completion provided all books are returned.</small> | |
| Grad | \$110 | | |
| Textbook Deposit | \$50 | | |
| Lost or Damaged Textbook | Various | | |
| Lock | \$9 \$7 | | |

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- # 2,534.11
- # 40.01-PK
- # 98.78
- Active Living

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Funding Request

Dear LLESS PAC members,

I am reaching out in the hope you can support our senior girls volleyball team as they raise funds to attend two tournaments this season. The team is selling chocolates and holding a bottle drive to raise money, but the tournament costs are quite high.

The first tournament is GW Graham's Bear Paw Classic in Chilliwack on October 10-11. The entry fee for this tournament is \$450. Second is Kamloops School of the Art's Invitational Tournament. The cost for this one is \$375. Not to mention the associated travel costs to attend these tournaments. Any expenses not covered by fundraising will be passed on to the players, so we hope to have a minimal cost to each player.

The Logan Lake Lightning volleyball program would greatly appreciate any financial support you are able to provide this season. Please reach out to me if you have any questions about our request, or how your funds would be used

Kind regards,



Vincent Daley

PHE & Science Teacher

Athletic Director

School District #73 - Logan Lake Elementary Secondary School

250-523-9441

Motion to pay the funds they are requesting - Motion by Chelsea Silke - second by Niki Shafer

Superintendent visit

Logan Lake Elementary School – Sept. 11, 2024

Principal Collins and I began our day talking with Ms. Mullin who greets everyone with a smile, takes care of students who need ice packs, and helps guests. We visited Ms. Balson's K-1 class who were making friendship bracelets. Jett had planned to give his bracelet to Nolan until they learned that they were to keep their creations as symbols of their "class family". The students enjoyed sharing what they loved most about the bracelets, "the beads let light shine through", "the colors are bright", and "the beads feel soft". Ms. Perfetto's Gr. 1-2 class was also focused on family and they were making puzzle pieces with facts and pictures about each other. Ms. Campbell and Ms. Stalzer were switching positions and working in the classroom supporting students.

Ms. Humphrey's Gr. 1-2 class was practicing printing "magic" c,o,a, and d letters on white boards. She worked with individuals and small groups as they were working. When I asked a few different students what their favorite letters are, most shared like Weston (his favorite was "W") said the first letters in their names.

Ms. Scarr's Gr. 4 class was creating shapes by working in small groups and using paper and scissors to try to replicate a shape in the middle of their group. The purpose was for each student to persist and work individually and together to solve the questions that arose and barriers that emerged (i.e., not having another piece of paper). The lesson comes from a Growth Mindset resource based on Carol Dweck's research.

On our way to the next class, we stopped to talk with Ms. Deegen, a Teacher On Call, whose passion is teaching in rural locations. Thank you to Ms. Deegen and every relief staff member who shares their dedication and passion for supporting students in our District. We appreciate you so much.

We entered Ms. Smith's Gr. 3 Physical Education class playing a game of Monster Ball where students divide into two teams and throw balls at a ball to attempt to move it to the other side. The students had a lot of fun playing this game, and they even played a game of racing against the time of the other classes who cleaned up.

Logan Lake Secondary School – Sept. 11, 2024

Principal Collins and I went to Logan Lake Secondary School, and the most touching welcome sign (Welcome Dr. Nixon) was on the outside of the school thanks to Mr. Blakley.

We visited Mr. Wedge's Art/Drama class taught by Mr. Gilroy. The students were illustrating and painting posters of a self-selected movie. Phoenix, a student in the class, showed me his inspiration to draw and paint doors. We

then visited the woodshop, and Mr. Tiessen was teaching table saw safety, focusing on the position of the saw blade and positioning of the wood and ensuring a clear surface. Ms. O'Neill's Gr. 6 class was writing letters to her to share personal information about their interests and strengths to help her to get to know them better. She is also going to implement "Rock Star of the Week" in which a student shares a talent or interest and teaches the class about it. One of her students, Jude, shared, "I am looking forward to everything this year!"

Ms. Cardinal is teaching a new Gr. 12 course, Digital Photography. Kaden showed me his digital creation of pictures that showed varied perspectives of the outdoors based on the theme, Senses.

He shared how much he enjoyed choosing the subjects and objects in the photos and his career aspiration has been to become a power engineer, and now, he sees potential in a digital arts career.

During recess, Ms. Knox stopped to share her work on whole brain teaching. One positive behavior strategy is to award stars to students for being kind, showing leadership, being a friend and mentor. When I asked her what gave her the idea to explore whole brain teaching, she explained, "A couple of years ago, I had a challenging class, and it inspired me to think about how best to engage intermediate students." In this personal learning journey, she found research on student engagement and motivation.

While we were talking about learning, Frank from Facilities was preparing to put up a screen. I let him know how much his work is appreciated and how I know that there are always many requests at this time of year and his efforts to get to a school over lunch makes a big difference to the students and staff.

Ms. DeRose took time to share a powerful program, "Y Mind Teen", that she is implementing at the school in partnership with the YMCA. She explained how she works with another staff member, and they take about 8-10 students / 7 week cycles for 1.5 hours a session. The focus is to engage in strategies to address anxiety and depression. Students highly value the resource and time.

Stephanie LeBeau
District meeting notes

they discussed having very big issues getting anything approved through BCC Pac and expressed some very large concerns regarding this. they asked everyone to hold off paying membership dues until there is a vote deciding if they will continue to be a part of BCC Pac we have until Dec 31st to pay dues

Talked about Empowering parent workshop Parent Education night regarding IEP Programs asked Pac to help share spread word, promote with school communities, especially parents with kids accessing IEP supports or having IEP plans in place

* OK this was very confusing and all over * I'm not sure what it's about where it is or what it's regarding *

they discussed being worried & concerned about the protest happening across the board on Fri was up in the air about sending out notices to par one person stressed that it should be kept quiet

Discussion about Pac committee's helping fundraise & support extra supports in numeracy & literacy programs to help with the lack of availability at the schools

Talked about DPac having access to a mobile Bowling ally - Planning a event or fundraiser @ Break Reach out to DPac to use the mobile Bowling ally unit

Reach out to DPac if you need more support getting members / community / votes for Pac

DPac has \$4000 (about) in Budget

- Bylaw changes
- New logo made by student
 - 4 new member positions

- Indigenous Story telling
- No minutes available for meeting, Skipped

- Ronda Nixon trustee Report
- o hand acknowledgement
 - o Parkrest opening Sept 4, 2024
 - o United way Breakfast Sept 12, 2024

Restrictions on Digital Devices
Survey 95% of parents agreed to restrictions of devices aside from having access @ Break

* Budget * there was a very big error in last years budget. the Treasurer accidentally counted a line twice giving the wrong number for the Budget so unfortunately there is a deficit of about 2 million dollars. * they will be sending out a statement on Monday in regards to this issue and they will be admitting the mistake to everyone

they seem quite positive that they have a plan in motion to help fix this mistakes but there will be cuts in certain areas they will address this in the notice on Monday.



Come Read with Me
Volunteer Tutoring

Dear PAC,

RE: Come Read with Me Volunteer Tutoring PAC Budget and New District Fee Invoicing

Come Read with Me Volunteer Tutoring (formerly ONE TO ONE) provides free tutoring that connects elementary school students with trained literacy tutors from our community to help practice their literacy skills, build confidence, and have fun. It's the quality one on one time and connection the tutors form with the students that is truly special.

On behalf of our school's Come Read with Me Volunteer Tutoring program, I would like to request a PAC budget of approximately \$250 to cover the cost of new books, stickers and supplies, tutor meetings and windup party. *Gaming funds can be used to support this program.*

***New this year: Literacy in Kamloops will invoice your school directly in January for the District Fee**

Thank you for your support,

Come Read with Me Volunteer Tutoring
School Coordinator

The meeting came to ended at 8:00pm

