

## **Lake Trail PAC Meeting**

**November 8th, 2018, 7:00PM, Lake Trail Library**

**Acknowledged that we are on the traditional territories of the K'omox Valley First Nations.**

**Attendance:** Gerald Fussell (GF), Donna Graves (DG), Heather Green (HG), Janice Caten (JC), Ramona Simard (RS), Sheila Buchanan (SB), Thu Robertson (TR), Floyd Graves (FG)

**Call to order:** 7:07pm

### **Adopt agenda:**

Motion: RS

2nd: SB

All approved

### **Approval of last meeting's minutes:**

**(Amended: Spelling of K'omox)**

Motion: RS

2nd: HG

All approved

### **Principal's report:**

School planning council meeting: Discussed tech plan, library plan, budgets, review of culture and climate, feedback was positive. Need to go further with keeping learning relevant and engaging. Importance for visible indigenous representation in the school. Incorporate recognition of the land in the new school and the diversity of indigenous cultures in the school.

Placing 6 and 7s together and 8 and 9s together in home room has been really successful, challenge occurs with the transition when they're split in following years - losing connection with old friends and teachers.

Meaningful transitions for elementary to middle school. Setting money aside to help create connections and have the feeder schools and lake trail work together on this topic.

Grade nines are feeling well prepared for Vanier next year.

Final design happening with architect for new school now

Lake Trail as been designated as a community school- granted funds to support the kids through that structure.

Received letter of recognition for the work the school is doing to improve student success.

Outdoor circuit: narrowed down to three suppliers.

Student parent teacher night happening in two weeks.

### **Trustee's report (JC):**

Municipal elections: new board of trustees. Sheila McDonald, Sarah Jane Howe, Kathleen Hawksby, Tonia Frawley, Ian Hargreaves, Michelle Waite, Janice Caten. Will be sworn in on Tuesday at inaugural board meeting.

Parents should be aware of

ministry of education underwent a funding review of public education. Funding is largely being put into capital, not operational.

BCTF and ministry of education are setting the framework for the new teacher's contract negotiations.

### **Treasurer's report (TR):**

Treasurer's report attached

Amendment to proposed budget: Change fundraising cost goal to 100\$. Fundraising contributions change to 300\$.

Final draft of budget proposal will be supplied at next meeting for adoption.

### **DPAC's report (RS):**

Discussed Aspen schools methods to improve connections within the school between students and teachers.

Movie: 'Change of lens, change of perspective' showing at Isfeld, January 21st. To spark discussions after the 20 minute video.

Reminder to parents about the emergency drills as well as needing to bring a piece of ID when retrieving their child.

Upcoming events: In the know November 20<sup>th</sup> 6-:30 at laketrail and transgender student's experience: school like and

transition November 14<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-9 at Isfeld. Other event fliers attached.

Discussed how sexual education is happening in the school. Dr. Claire is offering to put together kits for the parents to help them talk to their kids.

Asking Gerald and Donna to post Dr. Claire's poster on Facebook.

Ask what are the benefits and drawbacks to students having cellphones in the classrooms and what the school policy is.

Response: Teacher's discretion. Encouraged to be used as a tool.

**LTNC report:**

Seeking volunteers in gardens, after school programs and on the board. Email [laketraillvision@gmail.com](mailto:laketraillvision@gmail.com) if interested.

Garden report: Able to hire Veronica Wilson with Canada Summer Grant program and ran programs such as Summer Spouters, Summer Salad Nights and volunteer work parties.

Goals of garden are to produce food for school food programs and community dinners, share love of gardening and how of eating fresh home grown food.

Successfully contributed greens to school salad bar into the end of last school year. Contributions continue now until winter settles in.

LTNC Christmas social, Tuesday December 4th 3-6 pm lake trail. Christmas baking, tea and treats.

Took a quiet approach to fall planning as they worked on community school designation. Focus has been after school programming, school salad bar, garden/school connection and adult community programs.

Continue to build community connections. Partner with lush valley.

Please encourage help at salad bar. Needing volunteers.

**Old business:**

Motion to adopt the constitution as presented and amended.

1st RS

2nd TR

All in favour

DG appoints TR as treasurer. Thu accepts

**New business:**

Farm to cafeteria as a potential way to help support the LTNC salad bar? Donna will look into it.

Table zoom topic for next meeting.

**Next meeting:** Thursday December 6th, 2018 at 7:00 pm in Lake Trail library.

**Adjournment:** 9:22pm

Motion: FG

2nd: HG

Minutes written by Heather Green