

La Verendrye School
Parent Advisory Council Meeting minutes
Monday, January 26, 2009

Present: L. Beauprie, M.Gagnon, M. Heamann, P. Crawford, P. Garnham,
C. Nash, A.Foster, J. Little, J. Meroniuk-Vezey

Regrets: Nil

1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order @ 7:15 pm

2. Additions to the Agenda:

10.2 Teacher Appreciation

10.3 Play Equipment

10.4 Book Fair

3. Adoption of the Previous Meeting Minutes:

J. Meroniuk – Vezey moved that the October 27,2008 Meeting Minutes be adopted as amended and that the November 24,2008 meeting minutes be adopted as presented. **Seconded by A. Foster.**

Carried Unanimously.

4. Treasurer's Report:

W. Harris presented the Treasurer's report. W. Harris moved that the report be adopted as presented. **Seconded by M. Gagnon. Carried Unanimously**

5. Correspondence:

✚ Manitoba Education Citizenship and Youth

✚ MAPC Newsletter

✚ Manitoba teachers Society call for nominations for (Young Humanitarian Awards)

✚ Teacher Staff Appreciation positive Promotion

6. Fundraising Report:

No activity. Ideas discussed on items that LVSPAC could fundraise for:

✚ Playground Equipment

✚ Play Equipment

- ✚ Smart Boards.

7. Teacher Liason:

- ✚ **February is I love to Read Month:** LVS is going to celebrate the last week of February (Dive into a book) Mystery readers, Teacher exchange, Storytime, Cuddle and Read, Reading stories in additional languages.
- ✚ **Art Smart:** Both applications were approved a pillar and the foyer square. The pillar is scheduled for April and the foyer is TBA. Build a block is a division wide Art Smart project similar to last years Banner Project. This year you are to build a block a meter square of an ideal city /town using mostly recyclable materials. These will be set up in a display at the PAC where classes can come for a tour and make themselves part of the city. 4M, 5D 2C, 6P have all applied, some other classes are interested. Display will be up all the month of May.
- ✚ **Grade 4&6:** Will be getting needles on February 3, 2009.
- ✚ **Swimming** –Starts on Wednesday
- ✚ **Feb 11-** Willie Amor coming.
- ✚ **Chocolate sales** – To start the first week of February.

8. Principal's Report

- ✚ **Leadership Project:** BMO Book Fair- Cancer Care Fundraiser: Over 2000 books donated.
- ✚ **Cybermares PCI:** A drama production for Grade 6, 7 and 8 students at PCI focusing on the dangers of being on line.
- ✚ **Norbert Georgette Presentation:** For grade 7 and 8 LVS students as well as grade 8 students from the schools in the division will attend LVS on February 3rd for a presentation on the dangers of drinking and drugs.
- ✚ **Peer Connector Training:** 24 students from grades 6,7 and 8 attended a full day leadership workshop at Southport on January 14th.
- ✚ **DARE:** Grade 6 students taking the 6 session course from the RCMP on making good choices concerning drinking and smoking.
- ✚ **Art Smarts:** 3 projects – 1. PCI pillar 2. LVS front foyer 3. Community Blocks -4 submissions.
- ✚ **I Love To Read:** activities in February
- ✚ **Student Involved Parent/Teacher conferences-** Feb 12 and 13: K to 5 scheduled in the classroom, 3 families per 30 minutes. Grade 6 to 8 Portfolio sharing in the Gym, with teacher meetings in the classrooms.
- ✚ **Staff Professional Development:** Recent staff training include: Understanding Adolescent Sexuality, Cooperative Learning, K- TEA (student assessment program), Assessment, Anxiety Disorders, French /ICT, Grade 3 Writing Continuum, Welcome to Kindergarten,

- ✚ **Staffing Updates:** Ed Dychko, retired- replacement Jay Oswald: Sue Kowalski retired- replacement, Amanda Meehan: Sheryl Holmes, mat leave- replacement, Kelsey Simpson; Sharon Rennie, leave- replacement Nov. to January 27 Mrs. Dack, Jan.26 to March 27, Mrs. Marie Giesbert: Mrs. Pam Garnham, med leave – returned to full time.
- ✚ **Incident:** RCMP involvement
- ✚ **Fruit and Vegetable Program:** K-2 fresh fruit /vegetables provided 3 X per week
- ✚ **Divisional dance-** LVS students well behaved and well dressed.

9. Unfinished Business:

- 9.1 Wal Mart BBQ- Received \$490.00 for same
- 9.2 School Clothes- Sales were okay.
- 9.3 MAPC Registration: Registration fees will be sent in this week.
- 9.4 Audit of Books for AGM - Same will be completed by Marilyn Gagnon and Aggie Foster
- 9.5 Meet and Greet – Leah Beauprie attended same.

10. New Business:

- 10.1 Constitution Changes: For AGM October 2009
- 10.2 Play Equipment: Wayne Harris moved that LVSPAC give **\$780.00** to purchase play equipment for K to 6 classrooms. ***Seconded by Aggie Foster. Carried Unanimously***
- 10.3 Book Fair : Require volunteers for February 13,2009
- 10.4 Teacher Appreciation: Planned an act of appreciation for the staff of LVS

11. Adjournment: 8:01pm

Next meeting February 23,2009