

Laurie Middle School PAC

Meeting Agenda

October 2020

1. Welcome and Introductions:

In attendance:

-Allyson Tozer, Christina McDonough, Lori Nicli, Madeline Oosthuizen, Aaron Thorn, Sarah Czernicki-Mooy, Ashley Gareau, Ruby Kozicky, Susan Beck, Jen Galvin, Rebecca Jantz, Patricia Whalen, Christy Bevans, Shawna Ryan, Carmen Wienke, Allie Watson

2. Principal/Vice-Principal Report (Aaron Thorn and Maggie Lyndsey-Tadey)

Aaron:

- Big thank you to Maggie
- Normally door is always open, wants to get to know parents and students.
- Maintaining healthy practices. Something like 90% of students came back to the building for school. Happy to be back in the building with the kids
- One agenda with PACs - asks why are you participating in PAC? What does PAC want to accomplish in the next 3 years? How can we push kids forward, get kids engaged?

Maggie:

- Jody Carrington - district has purchased workshop and is offering it free to anyone who would like to attend (normally \$125 charge) - info will be emailed out and posted on the Facebook page
- DPAC still has Jody Carrington's Book "Kids These Days" for sale for \$10.
- Inviting any questions or concerns regarding start up

3. School Trustee Report (Patricia Whalen)

- There are now flashing speed zone lights at Steeples and Amy Woodland Elementary Schools in partnership with the City
- Continuing to have conversations with the City regarding the new development on Innes ave
- Funds have been approved for an extension for the Isabella Dicken Elementary School in Fernie
- Feedback from public health and CDC for temperature checks - not something we'll be implementing in SD5 as concerns about accuracy
- Another hot topic is sports in school - motion that the district will continue to follow the Provincially mandated health requirements
- MT Baker is no closer to being replaced. Continuing to write letters, feedback is that it is not a priority, seismic upgrades to schools on the coast continues to be a priority. Up to the ministry, the board will continue to request replacement
- Results from graduation were in. In 2019/2020 school year, Elkford 97% Fernie 98% Cranbrook 95% Sparwood 98%. Pretty impressive results. Very pleased
- FSA testing has been postponed until February. More advocacy to encourage putting it off until next year.
- Susan Beck - asking about flashing lights at Laurie and Highlands. No discussion about lights at Highlands. Years ago discussion to add another crosswalk at Laurie - there is a bylaw for where you can place crosswalks. Encourage the PAC to write a letter to the City and to the Board and we can look at placing them there. PAC could use some funding to place crosswalk Susie

4. DPAC Report (per Lies Salvador)

- Highlights of Wednesday Oct 14 DPAC meeting:
- There is a full executive this year
- Big topic was return to sport in schools. Basically, SD5 was just letting the schools figure out the covid protocol in the actual schools for the first month. The Superintendent indicated that the Principals are the managers of their schools and it will be up to them to decide how to work with staff, volunteer coaches, etc. to try to organize after school sports like volleyball & basketball according to the Ministry of Education BC School Sports

5. PAC Financial Info

a. Financial Report and budget

General Account: CLOSED (\$2144.08 given to LMS for picnic tables)

Gaming Account: \$12,088.97 (includes Gaming deposit of \$7,700)

Approved - and PAID

LMS Scholarship(\$500)- awarded to Dawson Downie (thank-you card received)

Composter (\$300 allocated) - paid \$111.99

Approved but on hold due to Covid-19 pandemic:

Ab Ed Cooking:	\$500 (open to all students)
Grade 6 Orientation:	\$700
Pancake Breakfast:	\$450
Muay Thai	\$1000 (Paid \$472.50 = \$527.50 remaining)
Outlet Student Group	\$400 (Paid \$72.65 = \$327.35)
Total Outstanding	\$2,504.85

b. Funding requests from staff/school:

- **Music Club** - request from Mr Pasivirta

Requesting **\$850.00** to be used to purchase:

AKG AT 4033 Mircrophone= \$350.00

JBL Mkii powered 5" 2-way monitors (2 @ \$180-\$240 each) = \$500.00

“Extra curricular performance isn’t an option for COVID, so recording equipment will be used by all students to ‘perform’ via recordings. Band budget money will buy a computer but we need a mic and monitors. This will create continuity with the Mt Baker Recording Program”

MOTION: That PAC approve funding of \$850.00 for LMS Music Club to purchase recording equipment

1st: Ruby

2nd: Shawna

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6. Old Business - none

7. New Business:

Christmas Village Fundraiser: The 5th Annual Christmas Village at the Cranbrook History Centre is being held from November 25th to 28th and is a fundraiser for all local PAC's that wish to take part. Laurie COMPASS program is participating to raise money for a second set of snowshoes. Parents are encouraged to drop by during the event and bid on silent auction items and vote for the best gingerbread creation and wreath.

Meeting adjourned at: 7:53 pm

Next Meeting: **November 23, 2020**