

Lord Byng Secondary School
PAC General Meeting October 27, 2009

Minutes

Attendees: Approximately 40 people attended the meeting /Safe Teen presentation
Co-Chairs: Anne Denman & Daniel Chowne (in lieu of Sylvie Lefebvre who was not at the meeting)
Secretary: Monique Giard

1. Approval of the agenda & meeting minutes

Motion by Leah Pomerantz. Seconded by Catherine Ryan. All in favor.

2- Principal's Report:

- Successful Grade 8 Camp.
- Growth plan: Visit website for the growth plan.
 - On a monthly basis we will review the growth plan.
- 3 B's Club:
 - Sustainability Group
 - Performance Club
 - Be the Change Club.

Glen is in charge of the ESL website: place for ESL parents to get information.

E-Bulletin: Information put on the system twice a month, middle and end of the month.

- ProD Day: Very successful.

- Assessment for Learning: Kits and Byng Sec. working together.

Daniel Cooper is involved in the assessment project; teachers are motivated as well. Staff meetings are more about learning than other businesses.

Main question: Who are the students who are not learning? Ex.: French students.

- Pilot Project: Math 9 Core Grade 10 Principles (20 students)

TO DO: Parent interested in having teacher's name for this class

- marthasales@shaw.ca

Goal: Build confidence in Math – demonstrate the mistake get half the points.

Testimonials from 2 parents with children who are benefiting from this class.

Question: Boys not doing so well compared to girls: Would it be possible to pay attention to this research? **Boys and Achievement.**

TO DO: Presentation for PAC put forward: Barry MacDonald can be invited to address the issue to PAC meetings.

TO DO: Volunteer parents interested in putting forward a Task Force about this issue:

Hilary Reid 604-222-1278 - Need to engage boys more in learning.

Vera Vlaovich 604-739-2988

3- Julia Lian - Financial Report

PAC has two accounts: Gaming account that includes funds awarded to the Lord Byng PAC from the BC Gaming Commission, and a regular account that includes proceeds from fundraising. PAC has received \$13,300 from the Gaming commission, so that our total outstanding balance is approximately: \$30,000.

5- Report from Michelle Carrington :

- Gift Certificate
- **TO DO:** Michelle will look into having a connection with save-on-Food
- Close the gap: \$7,000 last year. This year \$2,000. Parents can make a donation to the school through the Close-the-gap campaign and obtain a Tax receipt from the VSB(i.e. donations are tax deductible)
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6- VSB & SACY – School Age Children and Youth with Maggie Mooney

Email: Maggie.mooney@vch.ca

Parent Stream: Communication Workshop next week:

Nov 5 - Building Bridges with Teens – 7pm

Contact Maggie for pre-registration

Nov 12- Capacity Café - 6:15pm –

Please register with Maggie in advance

7- At 7:50 Presenters: Bill Posebon & Yvette from Safe Teen

Violence Prevention Program

Excellent presentation; many parents asked questions.

TO DO: Proposed by Monique to send Thank You card to Safe Teen

Recommended Books:

Safe Teen by Anita Roberts

Guyland by Dr. Michael Kimmel

End of meeting: 8:40pm

Minutes recorded by Monique Giard