

**Lord Byng Secondary School
PAC General Meeting January 26 , 2010**

Minutes

Location & Time: Byng Library, 7:15pm

Attendees: Approximately 35 people attended the meeting.

PAC Executive members in attendance: Anne Denman (Chairs meeting), Sylvie Lefebvre, Julia Lian, Karen Ford, Michelle Carrington, John Hobbs

Secretary: Sylvie Lefebvre (in lieu of Monique Giard)

Adoption of the agenda: Proposed by Sylvie Lefebvre, seconded by Julia Lian, all in favor.

Adoption of the minutes of last meeting in November: Proposed by Sylvie Lefebvre and seconded by John Hobbs, all in favor.

Principal's report: Ms Maria Taddei

- Discusses school organizations and possible lay-offs; 21 staff received potential lay-off notices, but unlikely that this will occur
- Are working on implementing school goals & assessments for learning
- Principal circulates 2 case studies about using tests as assessments for learning.

Report from Treasurer Julia Lian:

- Current cash on hand is at \$36,838 – this includes \$15,709 from Gaming account and \$21,000 from regular accounts
- We wish to raise more money for the school and ask parents to participate in the fundraising.

Report from PAC co-chairs (Sylvie Lefebvre & Anne Denman) regarding wish list:

- Teachers' wish list: We asked all the departments head to suggest their wish and PAC Executive reviewed and voted on wish list items.
- \$30,565 was approved as per attached sheet distributed at meeting (see at end of minutes Summary of Items Funded by PAC Gaming & Regular Funds; as noted on sheet. PAC could not fund all the wishes –

Fund raising Report: nothing to report – please contribute to gift card program

DPAC/ BCCPAC – James Chau is absent, but nothing to report

School Growth Committee – Cathy Ryan is sick and could not come – will report at next meeting

Presentation of BCAA Traffic Safety Foundation – In the Drivers Seat -

Don Wright, BCAA Traffic Safety Foundation & Lynn Nofle, V.P.D. community police liaison officer for Lord Byng School

Presentation on Young drivers, Graduated Licensing Program, and need for parents to get involved in their youth's learning to drive.

Outstanding question: Don Wright distributed one page about new laws about cell phones. Sheet implies that N drivers can only have one passenger. One Lord Byng parent who is an N driver was very concerned.

BCAA Foundation clarifies issue: The law has not changed, N drivers can have **one passenger (but family exempt)** – i.e. there can be more family members than only one passenger. As an N driver, she can have more than one family passengers, but only non-family member.

The details are in the Learn to Drive Smart manual chapter 9, which is on-line at: www.icbc.com/driver-licensing/getting-licensed/pass-veh/roadsense-drivers#Variables_frag

Be part of our *Drive to Save Lives*

Any question: contact Sandra Jones

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Lynn Nofle of VPD takes about 15 minutes to talk about what she does & driving issues with our youth. Also, answers various questions about ticketing, N drivers, etc.

Thanks to our speakers – Don Wright of the BCAA Foundation and Lynn Nofle, V.P.D. community police liaison officer for Lord Byng School for a Great talk

No Lord Byng PAC Meeting in February

– adjourn to March 23rd, 2010 at 9:00 PM

Lord Byng Secondary School – Summary of Items Funded by PAC Gaming & Regular Funds - \$30,565

Safeteen workshop/ conference for all grade 10s
Library books for students
Yoga workshops for Social Needs students -
Music therapy sessions for Special Needs Students
Exercise bike or treadmill for Special Needs students
Keyboard for Special Needs students
Yoga equipment
2 accelerated integrated method language kits (French instruction)
LCD multi-media projectors for English Department (1), social studies department (1), Home Economics (1) and Byng Arts (1)
Reach for The Top club (extra-curricular)- Various expenses
Math contests
Jupiter baritone saxophone model 593 - standard model
Colour computer printer for visual arts department and Camera for Byng Arts
2 Optoma HD 200x projectors for theatre department (auditorium)
Camera & accessories to capture student work, specimens, etc. for science department
Computer speakers for multi-media presentations for science department
Astronomy telescope and Solar telescope & mount for Science department
20 hurdles (polanik & scissor), starting blocks, exercise bands, ladders exercise balls, skipping ropes, etc. for track & field club & Byng-Go initiative
3 Lego mindstorms for robotics teaching
Compostable bags, clips & key locks for composting program & sustainability club
Dry grad celebrations (Grade 12)

PAC could not fund all the wishes – no funding was awarded towards the following requests:

- Contribution towards student fees to attend Heritage festival in Seattle - \$295 per students times 70 students
- Contributions towards funding of conference speakers for teachers during Pro-D day
- Funding of additional equipment such as more projectors for individual classes, library and other
- Funding for more library books (provided some funds but not total request)