

LCHS School Community Council Minutes, December 4, 2024

LCHS Conference room

Attendees: Dwayne Marciniw, Doug Smith, Denise Block, Lisa Spence, Michelle Baldwin, Stacey Veld, Melanie Sherbanin, Naurin Mangla, Diana Kryz, Jana Rutherford, Melanie Tetz, Susan Cumby.

1. Welcome - Michelle called the meeting at 7:03 pm
2. Addition to agenda - none. Last meeting minutes approved by Naurin
3. Division SCC Meeting - Michelle
 - a. Division office
 - b. November
4. SCC Grant - Michelle
 - a. \$500 grant
 - b. Talk about combining schools
 - c. Considering combining a couple years worth to get a big name speaker
 - d. Parent survey going out asking about time frame - winter or fall
 - i. Topic question on survey as well.
 - ii. Hoping to have it completed by January
 - e. Any suggestions as to what we should spend money on?
 - i. Melanie likes the idea of a speaker
 - ii. Jana feels there was good feedback from last year
 1. Police
 2. Victims unit
 3. Low cost
 - iii. Michelle - Can not use funds for food or on kids, has to be for parents
 - iv. Stacie - what topics?
 1. Michelle - in the past it has been mental health, online safety, anxiety, drug demonstration (edibles), next project, bullying,
 2. Jana - White Hadder, cost more money, good information for online safety, but not well attended.
 3. Could do an virtual presentation, but will not know the numbers for attendance
 - v. Michelle - we do not have to contribute with group, we could do our own thing, like a motivational speaker
 - vi. Susan - AI on raidar?
 - vii. Michelle - Do we want to pool or do our own thing?
 - viii. Money does not have to be used by a certain date, can save up and use next year as long as there is a specific goal
 - ix. If it costs more money, we can fundraise the difference.
 - x. \$270 still from last year that was not used
 - xi. What are our top concerns?
 - xii. Survey hope to answer

- xiii. What do you hear from kids at home
- xiv. What do teachers hear from kids in the halls?
- xv. Dwayne - this is for the parents internet not the kids
 - 1. Listen and honor the process of the survey
 - 2. Get parent feedback, not teachers or students
- xvi. Social media / safety / no filter / bullying
- xvii. Melanie - parents educate kids on responsibility for online
 - 1. Get creative on line
 - 2. Building sites
 - 3. AI
 - 4. Show more positive with on line that just social media
- 5. Administrative reports - Dwayne -
 - a. Admin Introduction
 - i. Lisa Spence
 - 1. ½ time admin
 - 2. 30% career counseling
 - 3. Career counseling last 13 years, worked with grade 12\
 - 4. Currently working with the grade 11 students
 - ii. Feedback from admin and teachers for the last 2 years
 - 1. Addition 320 grade 9
 - 2. Addition 15 staff
 - b. Events in November - Dwayne
 - i. Prep rally -
 - 1. BAC arrange all of it
 - 2. Band performance
 - 3. Fear factor finally
 - 4. Great school spirit
 - ii. Remembrance day Ceremony
 - 1. Chris Downy main speaker
 - a. Kept it real / lived the tale
 - b. Great speaker
 - 2. Kids respectful
 - 3. Incorporated every class
 - 4. Audio / visual in new gym amazing
 - iii. Academic award ceremony
 - 1. Only grade 10 - 12 this year
 - 2. Grade 9 honor and distinction looks different,
 - a. Will incorporate them next year
 - b. Take kids to work day that same week
 - 3. Grade 10 - 37%
 - 4. Grade 11 - 41%
 - 5. Subject awards
 - 6. Highest averages award
 - 7. Parents attended - any feedback?

- a. Naurin - Can it be done in the evening? Hard to attend during the day.
 - i. Dwayne - used to do it at Vic Juba in the evenings, had the graduating class return for awards as well, attendance was very poor. Celebrating in front of their peers is a good way to inspire others as well.
 - b. Jana - could we live stream? Record?
 - c. Naurin - is it possible to let parents know if their child is receiving an award.
 - i. Dwayne - 280 kids receiving honors, the names are published in the paper and posted on the website. Single awards families were contacted. Will work on clarity for next year.
 - d. Melanie - found the ceremony excellent, the only suggestion is that it was said to start at 1:25 and by the time classes files in, it actually started at 1:45, nicer if got an actual start time when popping out of work to watch.
 - e. Susan - nice for parents
 - i. Like the individual shout outs
- c. Rudolph's Roundup - BAC - Dwayne
- i. On now
 - ii. Goes to interval home
 - iii. For two weeks
 - iv. Day 8 - today
 - v. Day 9 miscellaneous items 25 points per item
 - vi. Day 10 cash donations
 - vii. Jeffery is in charge, says it is going very well
 - viii. More prizes for classes this year
 - ix. Staff Christmas tree
 - 1. Students in need put an ornament on a tree with a wish
 - 2. Staff purchases item for the student
 - 3. Anonymous, about 40 students
 - x. Cookie exchange fundraiser
 - 1. Raised \$280 for interval home, rudolph roundup
 - xi. Dec 16 Christmas Cheer week - decorate teacher
 - xii. Dec 17 - gingerbread house - elementary schools judge
 - xiii. Dec 18 musical chairs
 - xiv. Dec 19 buddy elf spaghetti eating contest
 - xv. Dec 20 door decorating
- d. Final Exam Schedule - Denise
- i. Jan 23rd, 24th am
 - ii. Jan 27th am / pm

- iii. Jan 28th am
- iv. Grade 9 writing exams as well for ELA, math, science, social
- v. Busing on in the am for 23,24,28, full day busing 27
 - 1. Will work on what that will look like for the grade 9's
- vi. Jan 29th PD for staff, no school
- vii. Jan 30th Semester 2 begins
- viii. Jan 31st report cards go out
- ix. Will share dates when it is all finalized
- e. Mental Health Capacity Building
 - i. Reach ground level students
 - ii. Start grade 9
 - 1. Mindful minute
 - a. Come in beginning of class,
 - b. quick , simple, breathing, senses, strategies
 - c. Normalizing these strategies
 - i. Some students in the beginning were engaged, some just watched, some rolled their eyes, but as time goes on, more students are buying in / joining the experience
 - d. Three posters are put up in the classroom, visible to students to see the strategies they could use
 - iii. Created a wellness box for teachers to access
 - 1. Provides games / distraction during exam times / during class times
 - 2. Sign out process
 - a. Some teachers seem to use lots, others not so much
 - iv. Create fidget jars as these seemed most popular in wellness box
 - 1. Supplied so the teachers to not have to spend their own money on these items
 - v. Community input getting booths and brochure
 - 1. Take home ideas
 - 2. Educate students / staff / parents
 - vi. Staff wellness
 - 1. Decompression are in staffroom
 - 2. Mental health literacy, so all staff have the same approach to wellness
 - 3. Regulation strategies
 - 4. Gratitude to other staff and students at the staff meeting this month
 - 5. Jan - lunch and learns - more focused than general staff meetings
 - a. Build capacity
 - vii. Questions?
 - 1. Jana - is this a group?

2. Denise - yes, came from a grant, 3 year term, there is a coordinator, promotor, counselors, ests, teachers, HO personnel, we are the primary school doing this and ongoing with the community
- viii. Dwayne - any interest to reach out?
 1. Could do a micro presentation next meeting
 2. Regulation strategies
 3. Terminologies
 4. Agreement to do this by majority meeting attendees
6. Question and Answer - talk around the table around sports
 - a. Doug - gym generally busy 7 am to 10 pm daily
 - b. A Lot of interest in all the sports going on from students in general
7. Next meeting Date - January 22nd, 7 pm
8. Michelle - Adjourned at 7:56 pm