

**G.S. Lakie Parent Council Meeting
Tuesday, May 25, 2021
Start Time: 6:32 pm
By Microsoft Teams**

Attendees:

Brad Dersch
Aimee Dewacht
Raj Mathur
Lisa Althouse
Christa Pike
Tisha Elford
Angela Roman
Karma Van Schaik
Vanessa Steele
Erin Wallace

1. CALL TO ORDER

A. Welcome

B. Review of Agenda

C. Review of last meeting's Minutes (Minutes can be found on GS Lakie Website)

2. REPORTS

A. Administration

Brad Dersch

- Staffing for 2021-22
 - PE position closed May 20
 - Likely another 1-2 positions to be posted in the coming weeks
 - Congrats to Raj on being named as the new Vice Principal of Fleetwood Bawden Elementary School
- Covid Update
 - Rapid Testing at Lakie
 - The school was notified April 28th that Lakie was selected as a rapid testing school.
 - The school is expecting rapid testing to take place within the next week or so.
- Final Exams – we will have finals this year. Finals will not necessarily be comprehensive and cumulative from the beginning of the school year, but there will likely be some degree of culminative. Math will be the exception, being cumulative to the beginning of the school year.

- 10-15% weighting across the board. Some summative assessments will be project based.
- Learning structures in LSD for September 2021
 - Forecast is likely that AB Government will mandate schools provide the option for students to choose online learning vs in-person learning, as we did this year, however, there would be no pivot points as the division implemented this year. As - learning Program, as that program is separate and apart from Covid related issues.
 - LSD survey going out to determine which families would like online learning to start off the year
 - LSD *may* allow the opportunity for students to join a 2nd cohort to start off the year. This would possibly be a homeroom and extra-circular cohort, which would allow for a soft transition back into implementing extra-curriculars.
- Thank you for your support in a difficult year for all.

Raj Mathers

- June 11 FISH Friday
 - Doughnut sales from Bootsma Bakery
 - Doughnuts may be purchased through School Cash Online starting May 26. The last day to purchase a donut will be Friday, June 3.
 - Proceeds from donut sales will fund the Kona Ice for all students on June 18.
 - The remainder of proceeds from donut sales will be donated to a charity of student's choice. Student's will vote between Senior Living, Lethbridge ICU Nurses or The Lethbridge Food Bank. There will be an announcement on June 11 advising where donated funds will be going.
- Grade 8 Farewell – June 18 (NOTE: This date has since been amended following this PTA meeting). There will be a retro theme for this event. A slideshow is being organized and awards will be given out. There will be an online element as well, to include those Grade 8 graduates who are learning from home this year. Amanda Fox is looking after this and further details will follow.

Aimee Dewacht

- Year-end calendar
 - Final exams
 - June 14 – 18 for Gr 6
 - June 22 – 25 for Gr 7 & 8
 - Last day of school for 6's – June 21
 - Last day for gr 7/8's – June 25
 - Indigenous Day – June 21
 - School wide activities
 - All grade levels will be here for it
 - Bringing materials home
 - Teachers will be sending items home as the year nears the end

- Yearbook distribution
 - Grade 6 will receive their yearbooks on June 21 during the final 1/2hr of the day
 - Gr 7 & 8 will receive theirs June 25th after their final exam
 - The hope is that we can limit any possible cross-contamination that may occur due to students wanting to sign books.
- Report cards – PowerSchool opens June 29th and will remain open for 2 weeks.
- Hiring of EA's. There are currently 11 positions, 6 of which are temporary positions. The school has been slotted to keep the same number of EA positions next year. Those EA's currently holding a 6 temporary positions will need to reapply again this year.

3. Division School Council Report (by Tisha Elford)

- The Division Assurance Plan deadline has been extended from the end of June to the end of September 2021.

4. Previous Business

Nil

5. New Business:

Nil

6. Upcoming events

- Division School Council –June 7 (Last meeting of this school year)
- Official Last day of Middle School – June 25

7. Next Meeting is September 2021 (AGM and election of Chair, etc.). Exact date not yet determined.

8. Adjournment.

*The annual calendar for 2021-2022 has been posted on the division website (look under our division/calendar and click the “Download Annual Calendar” drop down menu to find it)