

GS Lakie School Council Agenda
Sept 21, 2023

Attendees:

Brad Dersch	Logan Welsh
Aimee Dewacht	Sonalie Weisbeck
Matthew Brunner	Dina Mustedanagic
Mike Shanks	Susa Maas
Tisha Elford	Karma van Schaik

1. Call to Order

- Welcome and Introductions
- Review Last Meeting's Minutes
 - i. Approve: Mike Shanks
 - ii. Second: Tisha Elford

2. Admin Reports

- **Brad**
- School start-up
 - An open house for Grade 6 families was held in Aug
 - Meet the teacher night this year was a BBQ which was the first time doing it in such a fashion. With that there were a few growing pains but overall it was a successful event.
 - Parent feedback was that if held again water would be an needed addition
 - Another parent suggested get places to donate water etc, if done again
 - School wide assembly September 21th with an author Kevin Sands.
 - There will be a traditional Blackfoot flag raising ceremony next Friday Sept 29th
- Staffing changes to start the year
 - Due to some leave of absence at the beginning of the year 2 teachers have been hired to fill that role, Erin Wallace.
- Construction update
 - Over the past several years the school fundraising has gone towards a new outdoor recreation area and storage shed. At this point the area is still considered a construction site and will be until the fence is removed.

A few things need to occur in order for that to happen such as painting lines on the court.

- The goal of this area is to be a place for the kids to play and interact at a middle school level.
 - This area will eventually have 6 basketball hoops (2 more put in next year), pickle ball court, Gaga Ball pit, and four Square lines.
 - Matt Brunner is getting quotes for signs for the side of the new storage shed.
- School communication throughout the year – Gator Gab, Messenger, Synervoice, Social Media, website, digital sign
 - GS Lakie YouTube live student announcements. Students do a great job putting that together
 - **Matt**
 - Fundraising
 - Review of Fundraiser – Ongoing
 - There will be a total of 5 assemblies held regarding the fundraiser by the end.
 - We are on track to surpass the amount of cards sold last year
 - As the last few years have gone to a larger, long term goal fundraising campaign this year the goal is more of a short term goal. The hope is to upgrade and replace some of the equipment in the fitness room, such as potentially the Rower, etc.
 - Oct 2 will be the fundraiser wrap assembly
 - Extracurricular
 - We had our school wide terry fox run/ x- Country event on September 14th. It turned out to be a great day which resulted in a bunch of the kids participating in the city meet on September 20th.
 - Zones will be in pincher creek On Oct 11th
 - Volleyball is up and running. The kids seem to be doing well. We have our home tournament at Lakie Oct 27th/ 28th
 - Canteen
 - Opened September 18th
 - Different model this year in that it is more of a hot lunch style. Reason for this change is the hope that eventually we can make our facilities into something that can host a vendor on site. Until then last year's model was not sustainable for the front admin staff. It was requiring too much of their time and effort to justify this model.
 - The new model seems to be going well so far.
 - School Clubs
 - club chart was shown and highlighted the many oppountries are students have.

Lakie Clubs 2023-24



Club	Teacher	Dates	Days of Week	Time
Golf - Paradise	Gord Smith	Fall/Spring	Wed	3:00-4:00
VR Club	Gord Smith	Sept-Nov	Everyday	Lunch
Shop Club	Gord Smith	Sept-Dec	Mon-Th	Lunch
Mental Wellness & Mindfulness	Sydney Huculak	Oct-June	Thursdays	Lunch
Run Club	Fay Coleby	Fall	Tues/Thurs	After School
Parent Wood Working	Gord Smith	Oct. Start	Tuesday Evenings	4:00-6:00
Cardboard Boat race	Brenda (Gr. 7/8 only)/Meier	Sept 11-Nov 14	Monday/Thursday Lunch	Lunch
GSA/Positive Spaces	Sheridan Mustard/Oliver	Sept-June	every second Wednesday	Lunch
Book Club	Sydney Elliot	Sept-Dec	Wednesday (Fletchers room)	Lunch
Indigenous Leadership	M.T/Mustard	Sept-June	Every other Thurs	Lunch
Longboarding Club	Rickards/Syd/Jackson	fall/spring	Tuesday	After School
Grade 8 Leadership	Cloeby	Oct-May	Tuesday	Lunch
Pow Wow Club	Oshana	Fall-Spring	Alt. Thursdays	Lunch
GSL TV	Gord/Arvay	Sept-June	Wed	Before School/Advisor

- Bussing – In-eligible rider, boundaries.
 - Discussion regarding next years new boundaries (grade 6 1Km, grade 7/8 2Km), and who div 1 bus is full but at this time div 2&3 have room so in-eligible riders are able to talk to Matt Burnner and apply for accommodation on busses where there is room.
 - **Aimee**
- Option change requests – completed for term 1
 - This process is completed for this term and it went smoothly
- PL journey
 - The focus this year will again be trauma informed practices, and supporting all learners. It is no longer financially feasible to do a retreat so to still change the environment and provide off campus learning, a room at the new exhibition center has been booked along with a guest speaker who will speak to self care etc.
- Official - new benchmarking system for the year (English as Additional Language – EAL)
 - Last year they piloted the program but it is official in place and different than previous years
- New curriculum implementation

- The government has just released new guidelines regarding the new curriculum and the expectations on teachers to implement this and it's resulting impact on the PAT's . This is all new and developing quickly.
 - The Division has now ordered the new resources for the new curriculum for the staff. This will arrive shortly.
 - New division superIntendent has been very supportive and reasonable in his expectations
 - 2 teachers along with Aimee went to an implication meeting regarding the new curriculum.
- Spanish programming
 - Due to certain requirements the Spanish programming time table is different from the rest of the school. This unfortunately created some confusion with attendance etc , however this has now been fixed.
- LST breakdown
 - Inclusive Learning Room – Ashley Lynch
 - FLEX room – Kate Waldie/Joe Wright - opportunity to help support students wherever they are needed.
 - EAP (English Acquisition Program) - Joe Wright
3. Trustee Report N/A
 4. Treasurer Report N/A (see AGM)
 5. Division School Council
 - Tisha Elford reported on the June 2023 meeting
 - Parent presentation as on the RAP Program
 - During the meeting there was a Information session (no questions) regarding the SOGI document and the anti racism anti oppression policies
 - We will also once again this year be receiving the \$500 grant for parent engagement, which none of the budget can be used on food.
 6. Teacher Appreciation
 - Tisha Elford explained the purpose of teacher appreciation, and shared a few ideas that have been used in the past.

- A motion was made for \$250 dollars of this year's budget to go towards Teacher appreciation.
- The motion passed
- Teacher appreciation will happen once in October, February and near the end of the year.

7. Updates N/A

8. New Business

- Fruit Fundraiser, Tisha Elford explained a potential fundraiser of Apples. 4 varieties. 20 lb boxes & \$41.50 for 3 GALA/ AMBROSIA/ MACINTOSH and 45.75 for HONEY CRISP honey crisp. The Potential profit is \$6-\$7 a box.
 - A motion was made to go ahead with the fundraiser. The Motion passed.
 - The fundraiser will start September 22nd and close Oct 2nd with pick up Oct 10th at the school from 5-7pm.

9. Upcoming Events N/A

Next Council Meeting Next council oct 12th (2nd Thursday not 3rd for October only)