

GS Lakie School Council Agenda

March 21, 2024

6:35 PM (Learning Commons)

Attendees:

Brad Dersch

Aimee Dewacht

Sonalie Weisbeck

Matthew Brunner

Mike Shanks

Tisha Elford

Kristi Orr

Christa Pike

1. Call to Order/Land Acknowledgement - Tisha Elford

- Welcome and Introductions
- Review Last Meeting's Minutes
 - Unavailable – not yet on website
- Approval of Agenda
 - Approve – Mike
 - Second - Kristi

2. Admin Reports

Brad

- Admin changes mid year
 - Faye Coleby staying on Admin for 3 more weeks
 - Gord Smith (Shop) retiring and Nathan Fulcher filling in until year end
 - Lori Adamson (Foods) has a new position. The new Foods teacher will be announced shortly.

- Luminosity Review – Amazing response and incredible effort put forth by all the students and Kristi Legge
 - Comments were made as to possibly put together some kind of committee next year to help with the show and perhaps have more than one night of performance.
- California Dance Trip set for May – approximately 42 students to attend.
- March 22 – Social Media presentation by Maddie Cameron at 10:00 - 11:30 am at the school.
- Middle School Registration for 2024-2025 school year starts March 22-April 19 with grade 5 parent nights for English and Spanish as well as Meet the Teacher nights.
- Easter Break – March 29-April 7
- PL Day April 8 (first day back in school will be Tuesday April 9)
- Green Shirt Day – March 28. Presentation by Tyler Smith, a Humbolt survivor and winner of the Amazing Race Canada will take place at 1:00 pm.
- Grade 9 Parent Nights
 - LCI – April 22
 - CHS – April 24, (also CHS visiting our gr 8's from 8-10 am on April 24th).

Matt -

- Badminton Update
 - Cities – April 15-17
 - Zones in Medicine Hat April 27
- Student School Survey Results
 - Still Awaiting AEA Results
 - Trends from students
 - Increase in negative attitude towards homework behaviour
 - Increase in truancy (absences) (Upcoming PL day training will be discussing truancy in general)
 - Decrease in reports of high anxiety and depression
 - Increase reported in feeling safe at school this year over last year.
 - Cell phone use in relation to learning – kids starting to see a correlation
- HALO Alarm system report. Our school was chosen as a pilot school to try this new alarm system for bathrooms. It can detect nicotine, THC, aggressive behaviour, # of people in stalls. Sensors are adjustable.

Aimee –

- Term changes on Wednesday March 27
- Honour Roll will be posted
- Time Table has begun for the 2024-2025 school year
- Option Selection Opens May 3 and closes on May 24
 - **Of note:** It is NOT first come, first serve. Every effort is made to honour option choices.

3. Trustee Report - N/A

4. Treasurer Report – Mike Shanks is filling in as Treasurer until end of year.

- Accounts are balanced.
- Goal of fundraising is to fundraise for the following year, always having a surplus.

5. Division School Council – Tisha will fill in as Division Rep until end of year

- **ASCA membership** was discussed (Alberta School Council Association)

Digital attendance was an option. Noone desired to attend

- Division directed parents to the **School Website** rather than send out emails regarding policies and feedback..

6. Teacher Appreciation

February Teacher Appreciation was Life Savers

Next Teacher Appreciation is May.

7. Updates N/A

8. Additional Business

N/A

9. Upcoming Events

- Next Council Meeting – April 18 at 6:30 in the Learning Commons