



**School Council**  
November 16, 2022

**Time:** 7 pm

**Location:** Lochearn Elementary School (and via ZOOM)

**In Attendance:** Julie Fischer, Kristin McKenelley, Carma Griffith, Christine Giguere, Crystal Appleyard, Heidi Hetherington, Marion Cale, Mary Gideon, Kathy Mcnutt

**Additions to Agenda:** none

**Approval of Minutes:** Kristin motioned to accept the minutes from the [October 13, 2022](#) meeting. Christine seconded.

**Chairperson's Report: (Christine)**

- Question about costumes for Halloween; are there students that need costumes? Kathy said that most students that do not participate in costumes are because of personal choice. Teacher's use their supply to make sure students feel included in some other way, ie. wearing a special hat instead.

**Trustee's Report: (Heidi)**

- The Board reviewed the Wellness Accountability Report: difficult to get AHS mental health support. \$9 000 Wellness Grant 9K was announced today.
- FNMI Report, a lot more students are self identifying as FNMI.
- Results from School Division's Organization Review will be released.
- Umbrella school council: best practices, what all school councils are doing, what's working for them, what's not working, a lot of discussion around classroom size and support staff.

**Principal's Report: (Kathy)**

- Elder Wilson Bearhead came into the school and students were able to experience Aboriginal drumming and singing. Elder Bearhead explained the words, had students repeat the words, made the chant of the song. The experience was very interactive and engaging for students. When they were practicing the movement of the bird, students were making the connection between the dance they were doing and the version of O'Canada that they see in the morning announcements.
- Donations to the School's Lunch Program: Swift Oilfield Supply, Black Fields Holding
- Halloween Parade
- Halloween Dance
- Some classes have started swimming.

- Skating will start in December for some classes.
- Assembly for Remembrance Day.
- Dare to Care, normally \$900 fee. Lochearn was picked for Fortis programming grant, receiving this program at no charge to school.
- Fire Safety month, fire drills before the snow flies
- Grade 1 classes went to the fire hall
- Report cards available in Power School on November 24. Report cards were printed in June, a lot were not picked up. Same spot as demographic form. Questioning, whether they need to send home paper copy? Would like to move away from paper copy. Suggested that paper copies be printed this time, with a note that they would be online for the next reporting period.
- IPP report card, goals have been moved into Power School. Learning curve for teachers, rolled out just a few weeks before report cards

### **Upcoming Events:**

- Preparing for Christmas Concert: The Colours of Christmas. Dress Rehearsal will be Dec. 19, with the full performances happening Dec. 20 & 21 at lunchtime.
- Parent Teacher Interviews: Nov. 29 & Dec. 1

### **Past Events:**

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***Adjournment at 7:19 pm***  
***Next Meeting: Wed. Jan. 11, 2022 @ 7pm***

## Friends of Lochearn Elementary

November 16, 2022

**Time: 7:21 pm**

**Location:** Lochearn Elementary School (and via ZOOM)

**In Attendance:** Julie Fischer, Kristin McKenley, Carma Griffith, Christine Giguere, Crystal Appleyard, Marion Cale, Mary Gideon, Kathy McNutt

**Additions to Agenda:** none

**Approval of Minutes:** Kristin motioned to accept the minutes from the [October 13, 2022](#) meeting. Christine seconded.

**Treasurer: (Kristin)**

- See attached [report](#)

**Chairperson's Report: (Christine)**

- Dinner for one (or both) of the nights of Parent Teacher Interview. Mary to organize potluck for one night, potentially Subway for one night. 19 staff.
- Christine motioned to spend \$100 for cutlery and plates, Kristin seconded.
- Christine motioned to spend \$200 for Subway, all in favour. Motion passed.
- Christmas gifts for teachers. Mary has offered to organize teacher gifts.
- Christine motioned \$400 for teacher gifts, Kristin seconded.
- In the past, FOL has hosted a movie night, ordered pizza. At the door, families bought tickets for pizza, popcorn, bake sale items. Consider a night in January to raise funds for more Bells.

**Fundraising/Volunteer Coordinator: (Kristin)**

- Purdy's update
- Wrapping Paper update

**Hot Lunch/Milk Program: (Julie)**

- 218 pizzas sold for October Hot Lunch.

**Old Business:**

**Wish List:**

- Leveled Reading Books (from October meeting)
- Another set of Bells for the music room. With the larger class sizes, there are not enough bells for all students to play at the same time. Latest set of bells were

purchased 2 years ago by parent council.

- Christine motioned to spend \$1000, Marion seconded, all in favour.

**New Business:**

- Before & After School Care Update: Mrs. Appleyard was in touch with Youth HQ again. Youth HQ got funding from FCSS. Likely use funding to put into another location, hopefully it would be Lochearn, coming out first week in December to look at space and have a meeting with Mrs. McNutt, Mrs. Appleyard and the Superintendent of Finance. They have created a job posting for staff this week, hope to be up and running for March. Looking for school to complete another parent survey to gauge interest.

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***Adjournment at 8:02 pm***

***Next Meeting: January 11, 2022 @ 7pm***

***Minutes completed by: Marion Cale***