

## School Council

Oct 10, 2023



**Time:** 7:04 pm

**Location:** Lochearn Elementary School & via Zoom

**In Attendance:** Carma Griffith, Kate Dodwell, Jamie MacEwen, Jaylisa MacEwen, Jackie Janes, Mary Gideon, Christine Giguere, Leonna Wesley, Kelsey Park, Kristin McKenelley, Karen Beck, Kathy McNutt, Lucas Brown, Lacey Brown, Jen Barker, Stephanie Anderson, Marion Cale

**Additions to Agenda:** none

**Approval of Minutes:** Kristin motioned to approve the minutes from the [September 12](#) meeting. Mary seconded

**Chairperson's Report (Christine):** no report

### Trustee's Report (Jackie):

- Transportation Accountability Report: Longest bus ride in school division starts at 6:55 am, coming from Big Horn Reserve. New initiative that every student has access to a bus ride to school. Students should be less than 1 km from a bus stop. Town stops may be Strawberry Hill or Day Park for in town kids being picked up. Already over 100 kids are in Creekside, a big stop in Old Town too.
- First rider program was successful at end of summer. There are a series of stations set up teaching students about safe loading and unloading, evacuations, bus rules and what to expect on their bus rides. We also take the students and their parents on a ride around town. This helps ease the anxiety of both parents and students. We had a good turn out and plan to host this yearly.
- Trustee visits, whole group in the past. This year each trustee will come visit the school individually. Jackie considering coming during parent teacher conferences (set up a table), set up a time, let teachers know ahead of time. Opportunity to talk to kids, parents, teachers and admin.
- Capital Plan: value scoping study, eventually destroying the two schools and build one larger school on the Lochearn site, possible timeline?
- Umbrella School Council Meeting Nov. 13 5-8 pm
- Division considering Academy or Collegiate courses; Pilot course, book learning in the school. Leslieville firefighter training program. Beginning stages of programming, proposal with administration of school division.

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

- Successful Terry Fox Run, collected \$ 724.91
- Scholastic Book Fair - profits go toward new books for the library and learning resources for the classrooms
- School photos taken and orders that include free shipping are due Oct. Retakes Nov. 2
- Very fortunate to have Tegan Fandrick as our Indigenous Liaison this year. Tegan worked as a FWW here for part of the year so she is a familiar face to our students. She will be coming to the school and doing monthly activities with the students. She led the activities we took part in to help us understand and take action toward Truth and Reconciliation.
- New curriculum and provincial testing for grades 1 - 3 again this year. Some funding is available for support for "at risk" students but it is less than last year.
- Dare to Care this month - all classrooms will participate in virtual lessons- common language around bullying, Generously sponsored in part by the Rotary Club this year.
- Before and After School Program - soft start this week - still waiting for child care licensing.
- Author Visit - Wed. 18 - Lorna Schultz Nicholson - sports stories and others. Talking with students about the writing process
- Alternative recess activity - We are starting some recess clubs for students to participate in. Volleyball for grade 5 started today. The Connect club starts next week.

## **Upcoming Events:**

- Bus evacuation practice tomorrow morning
- Hot lunch program begins this week as well
- Milk Program begins tomorrow
- 19th - Friends of Lochearn Halloween Dance
- 20th - Professional Learning Day - staff only
- 25th - Monthly Assembly
- 31st - Halloween - wear costumes to school. Please leave fake blood and weapons at home. Costume Parade in the afternoon

## **Past Events:**

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***Adjournment at 7:20 pm***

***Next Meeting: Tues. Nov. 14, 2023 @ 7 pm***

## Friends of Lochearn Fundraising Society

Oct 10, 2023

**Time: 7:32 pm**

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**Additions to Agenda: none**

**Approval of Minutes:** Carma motioned to approve the minutes from the [September 12](#) meeting. Kristin seconded

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

- Overjoyed to see new families represented at the meeting

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

- Only 3 people volunteered for bake sale at Halloween Dance at this point.
- Need volunteers for tickets, bake sale and popcorn earlier in the day.
- Voting for playground equipment will start this week.

**Treasurer: (Kristin)**

- \$18 825 opening balance
- PayPal \$3600

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

- October orders looking very good
- November orders open now.
- Oct. 1 until Oct. 20 for November
- Grade 3 classes will take charge of the milk orders. Mrs. Nichol taking charge.

**Old Business:**

- none

**Wish List:**

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**New Business:**

- fundraising

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**Adjournment at 7:49 pm**

**Next Meeting: Tues. Nov. 14, 2023 @ 7 pm**