

LSL School Council Meeting

February 18, 2025

Attendance: Patrice Koshman (asst. principal), Jackie Flynn (Principal), Amy Kantor, Katrina Semeniuk, Gill Knuckey, Len Davis, Teri Kantor, Online Attendees: Rosie Scherf , Bernadette Norris, Erin Carter, Olivia, Tulci, Naomi, Wale, Susan, Lelise, Prisca

Notes taken by Amy Kantor

Called to order at 7:05pm

1. Opening Prayer and Land Acknowledgement: Jackie Flynn & Patrice Koshman
2. Review of Agenda : Amy
3. Review of last meeting (January 20, 2025)
 - Survey, Diploma exam and PAT results were reviewed
4. School Admin Report
 - Feb 28 “Life of LSL Student” tour for elementary feeder schools
 - Black History Celebration
 - Career Day Feb 20
 - Black Student Summit Feb 22 – will be hosted at LSL for all ECSD schools
 - Open House “Barons Era” Feb 24
 - Grad photos first week of March
 - Shrove Tuesday March 4, Ash Wednesday March 5
 - ECSD Community of School Councils event March 11
 - March 12 Hockey Hookey
 - March 13 Academy shadow day
 - Ski Trip
 - March 18 Grade 8 Fr. Michael Mireau Day
 - Planning for 2025/26
 - Weekly meetings occurring with admin, business manager and academy directors
 - Tracking registrations
 - Admissions are following the division protocol, prioritization as follows:
 - 1) Catholic students in the catchment area
 - 2) Catholic students outside of the catchment
 - 3) Non catholic students in the catchment
 - 4) Non catholic students outside of catchment
 - Once accepted students will receive a letter, then will pass on to academy for review by the academy

- Process for current students is slightly different
- Acceptance to school does not guarantee acceptance to an academy
- ECSD goal is to keep families together in the same school
- Portables have been requested for additional classroom space for next year
- Goal is to have a general final count of enrolment by Spring Break
- Academies:
 - 1) Hockey is full with some room in grade 12
 - 24-25 students per group, 2 groups per grade
 - 2) Soccer – some grades are full
 - Larger groups than hockey
 - 3) SPARK: working to promote this program, discussed focusing more on the STEM aspect to be clear what the program offers

5. Special Presentation: Mental Health

At the January meeting the survey results were reviewed. Results identified concerns with knowledge and access regarding mental health supports. Ms. Jordan Anstice and Ms. Victoria Saccomani presented on the 3 year plan for Comprehensive School Health Framework.

- The staff undertook a thorough process as a team to identify central themes and create a plan.
- The plan aims to address the whole school culture or “School Health” through the physical and social environment, success in learning, the home-school community relations and school policy. It is broken down into three priority areas.
 - 1) Ensure mental health and well being education is a priority for staff and students
 - Goal #1: increase staff and student knowledge of mental health
 - Goal #2: ensure students are accessing support in and information about how to deal with their mental health
 - 2) Create a welcoming, caring and safe environment to support student and staff overall well being and happiness
 - Goal #1: create spaces within and outside of classrooms for optimal learning and achievement
 - Goal #2: staff visibility within the school environment to support positive student behaviour and relationship building

- 3) Address the emotional, physician, spiritual and mental health of all LSL staff members.

Goal: to create an inclusive supportive and professional atmosphere where all staff members feel valued, empowered and motivated to work collaboratively towards the schools shared mission

6. Report from chair – nothing to report this month.
7. Adjournment

Note: There was no Parent Fundraising meeting this month.