

LSL PFA Meeting Minutes
October 8, 2024

Attendees: In Person: Patrice Koshman, Jackie Flynn, Lindsay Payne Pynten, Cam Rutten, Amy Kantor, Len Davis,

On line: Gill Knucky, Shannon Lipscombe, Andrea Macyk-Davey, Rosie Scherf, Monique Goodwin, Naomi Gee, Katrina S. Natalie Schlamp, Lisa

Notes taken by: Lindsay Payne Pynten

Call to order: 7:35pm

1. Approval of Agenda: agenda was accepted as presented with no additions.
2. Approval of minutes: minutes from the September 24 AGM were accepted as presented with no edits. Motion by Len, Seconded by Lindsay.
3. Presentation of Financial Statements.

Amy presented the Financial Statements as prepared by Gerald Barlage.

General account: Opening balance: \$15325, Closing balance (funds available) \$8,697.78 (after outstanding commitments paid).

Gaming account is solely the proceeds of the casino. Last casino was in summer 2024 and has been paid out already. Next casino will be available in 18 months.

Gaming account: Opening balance: \$105,113.48; Closing balance (funds available) \$78,546.88 (outstanding commitments included: \$22K for Chromebook and carts, decal for school bus and Directors insurance)

- Financial statements accepted as presented. Motion by Shannon, seconded by Cam.

Discussion on funding priority needs

- Inquired if the \$3000 allotted for bus decals is still needed or if there is a greater need for those funds to be allocated elsewhere. Jackie will assess and respond back to the PFA.
- Deadline for staff to submit requests for additional funding to the admin is approaching. This is not a 'wish list'.
- Anticipate the priority will be to purchase additional Chromebooks. Current student to device ration is 3:1. Standardized assessments are almost completely digital now. The school will need to have sufficient supply to support students to complete exams. The goal is to achieve a 2:1 ratio.
- School is working with ECSD on a complete assessment of all electronics/devices to determine a long-term plan. Devices will be assigned a status: Green (good), Yellow

(getting old) Red (requires replacement). Early budget estimate is \$100K for new technology.

- Lindsay asked if the GOA had any grants or support for technology. Mandating electronic exams without providing support to acquire devices creates an inequity.
- Discussed a 'Bring your own device' approach. This also creates an equity issue – We can only control what is within our mandate.
- Parents raised concerns about students with their own devices being discouraged from using them in the classrooms. Ms. Flynn confirmed students should be allowed to use their own computers and will follow up with the staff.
- For next meeting: Ms. Flynn will present the results of the device assessment by ECSD and information about a plan to increase the ratio to 2:1. Information will also be provided on comparison of Chromebook carts vs. Lock n Charge solution.

4. Fundraising Plans

- Upcoming: Purdy's Christmas
- Len – Fundraising ideas
 - **Hot Cross Buns for Chromebooks** – around Easter (\$10/6 buns) – Len to get the information re: fundraiser.
 - Soup Fundraiser – **Sherwood Park Soups**. Soups in Tubes (List of soups \$12/tube. \$4/tube) – (Susan)
 - Parking Spot contest
 - 50/50 – targeted fundraiser

5. Proposed Projects or Expenditures: there were no proposals or requests for this meeting.

Long term goal that was previously discussed: Score board for LSL gym. Jackie will look into this.

6. Election of Vice President and Treasurer: there were no volunteers for these positions. PFA is still seeking individuals to fill these important executive positions.

7. Adjourn at 8:13pm.

Next meeting November 27.