

Cartier McGee and Louis St. Laurent
School Advisory Council (SAC) – Minutes
March 8th, 2021

Members Present: Gerald Barlage – Acting President, Mme. Dupuis - School Principal, Sid Eriavaz – Treasurer, Kathy Kovacs – Secretary, Bob Szewczuk - Assistant Principal

Attending via Zoom: Lyndsay Payne Pynten, Nadine Seed, Valerie Gibbs - PAC Vice President, Kim Nerbas – Chair, Fundraising Committee, Terry Kantor, Fundraising Committee Member, Lisa Turchansky, ECSD Ward 76 Trustee and Parent.

Opening Prayer - Mme. Dupuis, School Principal and Treaty Acknowledgement - Mr. Szewczuk, Assistant Principal

7:15 pm - **Meeting called to order @ 7:15 pm by Gerald Barlage**

Old Business

7:23 pm - **Approval of past Meeting's Minutes**

Terry Kantor makes motion to approve the meeting minutes from January 25, 2021.
Valerie Gibbs seconds the motion.

Motion Passed

7:24 pm – **Approval of Agenda**

Kathy Kovacs makes motion to approve the Agenda
Terry Kantor seconds the motion

Motion Passed

7:26 pm - **No New Items to report**

New Business

7:26 pm – **School Admin Report – Mme. Dupuis**

1.0 Cell Phone Use

-Mme. Dupuis updated council on changes made to the school's cellphone protocols during COVID-19.

2.0 COVID Protocols

-All changes and updates can be found on the system website www.ecsd.net.
-Louis St. Laurent continues to set the example as to which initiatives and policies are most successful are now being incorporated by other schools. Examples include how LSL has structured its fitness area and how the school has provided hand sanitizers at the entrance of each classroom.

3.0 Guiding Principles for Assurance

-Mme. Dupuis introduces the new Guiding Principles for Assurance which entails a high level of engagement with four pillars: Explore, Develop, Evaluate and Take Action.

4.0 Intentions for the 2021-22 School Year

-Mr. Szewczuk presents the latest number of students currently committed to enrolling in each grade. The deadline for student intentions is March 22nd, 2021. As a result, the school will start calling families who have not yet committed, starting March 9th, 2021.

5.0 School Parking

- Mme. Dupuis reports that the current traffic flow pattern has been successful.
- The 'roundabout' on the southwest side of the school is currently being used as a drive-through but will become a parking lot after school hours, which will require monitoring.
- All updates or changes to traffic flow will be communicated to parents in advance, as coordinated by Mme. Dupuis.
- LSL has requested the removal of the "Emergency Vehicle Parking Only" signs located in the east parking area between the parking lot and the Confederation Pool building.
- LSL to request more information about the signage on 114 street (west side).
- Lisa Turchansky will speak with Councillor Walters about other possible parking options and will provide a map at next meeting.

6.0 2021-2022 School Calendar

- The 2021-2022 school calendar is now finalized.
- Classes will begin September 1st, 2021 with an extended Fall Break set for November 11th to the 15th, 2021. To compensate for the extended Fall Break, 18 minutes of instruction time will be added to the daily school schedule.

7.0 Louis St. Laurent Calendar of Activities

- March 18th, 2021 is a Professional Development Day and there will be no classes.

End of Principal's Report

New Business

7:45 pm – **Student Engagement Activity presented by Gerald Barlage**

- **Bike-a-Thon and/or Walk-a-Thon**
 - An in-school Bike-a-Thon is in the planning stages.
 - Teams of up to eight people can gather in the gymnasium to raise funds for several initiatives, including the purchase of a new team/school bus.
 - A Walk-a-Thon is also among the possibilities, with a team of two students in each group.
 - Council is looking for parent volunteers to take part and assist in coordination of these events, with a targeted goal of the first week in May.
- **Community of School Councils (COSC)**

- The Community of School Councils (COSC) provides an opportunity for Ward Trustees to engage with SAC Executives and families within their respective communities.
- The 2021 COSC will be a scaled down version, due to COVID.
- Each School Trustees will 'host' their respective meeting, including Lisa Turchansky doing so for Ward 76.

- **Student Attendance/Participation**

- Students are encouraged to come pitch their ideas or requests to the SAC.
- All requests should be made in advance, so a reserved time/date can be added to the SAC meeting's agenda.
- Invitations will go out to Students' Union reps and Student Voice to spread the word.

8:11 pm **Sub-Committee Reports**

Fund-Raising Committee

- Kim Nerva's reports that the Junior High students are currently involved with a St. Patrick's Day Cookie Fundraiser;
- Grad Gear can be purchased online;
- Purdy's Chocolates fundraiser is gaining momentum, as is Royal Pizza with upwards of \$300.00 being collected;
- Terry Kantor to help coordinate a Bottle Drive, to begin after Easter;
- Online 50/50 Raffle Ticket campaign – Gerald to look into licensing, planning, etc.;
- Electronic Fund Payments – LSL continues to pursue COVID-friendly methods of payment, including Electronic Fund Payments; BMO has been contacted and SAC Executive to continue pursuing the addition of EFP.

Communications Committee

- The Communications Committee has been dissolved but procedures will be retained and stream-lined into future SACs; members of the Executive will be responsible for implementing the process.

Other Needs

- Grad Support Committee is operating without assistance; any volunteer help would be appreciated;
- The School Gear Order Page will be addressed in future Fund-Raising Meeting(s).

8:35 pm – **Motion to Adjourn Meeting**

Terry Kantor moves that the meeting be adjourned.

Kim Nervas seconds the motion.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:35 pm

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Nerbas – Chair, Fundraising Committee, Terry Kantor, Fundraising Committee Member, Lisa Turchansky,
ECSD Ward 76 Trustee and Parent.

School Advisory Meeting called to order @ 8:36 pm

8:37 pm – Parents Advisory Association Minutes Approval

- Terry Kantor votes that we approve the minutes from the January 25th, 2021 meeting.
- Valerie Gibbs seconds the motion.

Motion Passed

Approval of the Agenda

- Terry motions the approval of the agenda
- Lyndsey Payne Pynten seconds the motion

Motion Passed

No Old Business to Report

Treasurer's Report – Presented by Sid Eriavaz

- Please see attached.

Fundraising Report

- Kim reports that all current fundraising activities have raised close to \$1000.00;
- Mme. Dupuis briefly discusses the Parent Council Awards; will bring details to next meeting;
- Barons helping Barons – need for families is on-going especially during the pandemic.
Nadine Seed wrote initial proposal and will be discussed at the next fundraising meeting.

8:54 pm - Terry Kantor motions to end School Advisory Meeting:

Valerie Seconded the motion.

Motion Passed.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:55 pm

Next Meeting: Monday, April 12th, 2021 at 7:00 pm
