# Lakewood Parent Committee Meeting Minutes DATE: Monday November 5, 2018

Present: Marie Poss, Alina Marsh, Belinda Benko, David VanLaecke, Sonya Fawcett, Kellie Mumford, Catherine Fekete, Melissa Mummery, Lynda Otterman, Candace Mannen, Alexandra Gillan-Lennox, Becky Suprun.

Agenda	Decision/Discussion
A. Review and Accept Previous Minutes	Minutes: Motion to accept- Melissa Mummery Seconded- Lynda Otterman Passed
B. Principal's Report	Principal's Report — Nov 5, 2018  *Soccer Tournaments — Intermediate Co-Ed team, coached by Mr Carson, represented the school well on Oct 4. Junior Co-Ed team, coached by Mrs. Bilinsky and Miss Varga, won the A championship for Norfolk Elementary Schools at their tournament and went on to CAGE (board tournament for the best teams in the three areas of the board — Norfolk, Haldimand and Brantford) The junior team played very well, winning the first two games then losing 2-1 in the semifinals. Not only are we proud of this team's standing in the tournament, but more importantly we are proud of the manner in which they represented Lakewood Elementary school at these tournaments: fair play, excellent sportsmanship with one another and many other schools. Way to go Lakers!!  *Cross Country Run — we are lucky in that one of our own teachers, Mrs. Abbott-Smith takes a leadership role in organizing (convening) this event as well as the CAGE event. Lakewood did very well at both the Norfolk elementary schools' Cross Country Run as well as CAGE, with coach Mr. Forneri. Multiple pennants (bringing 7 pennants out of 12 back to school) and many Lakers in the different age divisions running in the top 5 within the board. Fantastic results, Lakers!  *Lakewood Leaders (gr 7 & 8) coordinated another Socktober campaign again this year. Donations were made to St Vincent de Paul, Salvation Army and Port Dover Food Bank.  *School photos took place this month — proofs should be already sent home.  *United Way — participating Lakers made a donation this month to wear a hat.  *Halloween — the family Halloween dance was really well attended — great music, super costumes, well-coordinated set-up and take-down, a reasonable food table schedule, a terrific balloon animal table and fun decorations. Overall, it

was a memorable family event. Thank you Parent Council! - at school on Oct 31, we had the loonie fair after first recess (thanks to Gr 6 students who organized a multitude of activities) then movies for Kinder – Grade 5 after second recess while Grade 6,7 & 8 had a dance. Thanks to Mrs. Earle, Mr. Archer and Miss Sahota for organizing the grade 6's. Monetary and canned food donations are to be picked up by Mrs Mary Lou VanSickle from the Food Bank on Tuesday.

\*2018 Pride of Place now complete: 3 new banners are now hung at the front of our school: 1. Foyer Welcome sign (dual languages represented), 2. Foyer "Be the nice kid" (dual languages represented) and 3. Home of the Lakers hung to the left of the stage in the gymnasium.

# **Upcoming events:**

Nov 7 – Grade 8's go to WDHS

Nov 9 – School Remembrance Ceremony @ 11:20 – students dress their best

Nov 12 - Kinder Communication of Learning Initial Observations & Gr 1-8 Progress reports go home

Nov 12 – Fresh from the Farm pickup in Rm 110

Nov 13 – Gr 7 Immunizations

Nov 14 – Grade 8's go to SCS

Nov 15 – half of Gr 2's and Gr 3's go to Backus

Nov 15 - 4-7 Parent interviews

Nov 16 – PA day 8:30-12 Parent interviews

Nov 19 – Picture retakes

Nov 19 – Start of Bullying Awareness and Prevention week – Brent and Sarah presentation

Nov 20 – G 1-3 Rocks and Rings (curling) lessons thanks to a donation by a community member

Nov 27 – Book Fair in Learning Commons

Nov 27 & Nov 28- Dental Screening JK/SK and Gr 2

Nov 29 – Jensen cheese, Dekoning meats and Pointsetta pickup in Rm 110

Nov 29 – Int boys Volleyball Tournament at SCS

Nov 30 – Santa Sale set-up in Gym at 10am

Dec 5 – Int girls Volleyball Tournament at Lakewood

Dec 13 – Junior Volleyball Tournament at Lakewood

Dec 19 – Turkey Dinner in the gym – students dress their best

Dec 20 – JK – G 3 Christmas concert rehearsal in the am, then performance for parents at 1:30 and 5:30

## C. Committee Business

# 1. Treasurer's Report:

General Account -\$5,088.86\*

Hot Lunch - \$5.545.50\*

Fresh from the Farm- \$621.15\*

Halloween dance-1,317.22\*

\* Not final numbers

Motion to move \$3,000.00 hot lunch money to general account

First-Melissa Mummery

Second-Kellie Mumford

Motion carried

#### 2. Hot Lunch:

Issue with dates on pizza, but getting better. Hot lunch orders will close the 10<sup>th</sup> rather than the 15<sup>th</sup>. Make parents aware of this change.

Motion to investigate a laptop to Parent Council. Bring information to next meeting. Person to look into this; Catherine Fekete.

First- Melissa Mummery

Second- Belinda Benko

Motion carried

## 3. Snack Program:

Snack program had a great and successful first month. We are grateful for all of our new volunteers as well as our returning ones.

## A few points:

- Muffins courtesy of Ms Good Food will be served on Wednesday Nov 14th- hooray!
- We have had both of our site assessments one from REACH, and one from the Health Unit- a fun Halloween Surprise lol. Sharon from REACH was very pleased and had very positive feedback. The Health Unit was also pleased but reports to Sharon- we are waiting for our assessment.
- The Health Unit is still working on the details of food Handling and safety certification for our program- more to follow on their end
- The Health Unit also assessed our facility and program while on a site visit for the day care a few weeks ago and also had very positive things to say to our volunteers who were in that day.
- We also had a rotary visit/tour the second week of Oct to show how and where their donations to CNN are being put to use.

- Huge thanks to our 2 donated bushels of apples this month (one was from the recipient of the SNAPD bushel prize and another was a donation from a parent).
- 2 more bushels are being picked up tomorrow from the food growers association (Apple Place) for snack program, as well as the possibility of apple juice- I will keep you posted (maybe we can use for Turkey Dinner?)
- Mr Pickard has kindly asked that the senior classrooms be addressed with regards to snack mix and "throwing it all around the classroom". We asked if the mess was the result of an accidental spill and he doesn't believe so. We are limited with what we can serve the students and wouldn't want snack mix to be removed from our calendar bc of silly behaviour, if we can chat with the grade 8s and 7s about not throwing food around that would be greatly appreciated-otherwise Brian will ask that those classes have crackers instead.
- Lastly, if we are serving desserts at Santa Sale that contain nuts we cannot plate them in the kitchen. This is compromising Darryl's (at Today's Family Day Care as well as the various after school programs sites he preps for) compliance for a Peanut Free facility as well as ours for snack program. Thank you for understanding
- Principal-Expectations surrounding food with senior grades was communicated to them. Has supported an idea for food to be on a tote/cart so a student volunteer from the class goes and gets their class totes, rather than a volunteer bringing them into the class.
- 4. **Strong Start Program:** 2nd round of Strong Start will begin the week of November 12th! We have enough volunteers to support six students. Thank you everyone that attended the training at Lakewood. There was a room full of participants from around the board. The first round of Strong Start will be completed on November 23rd. Round 3 will start when students return from Christmas break.

Shannon is motioning for purchase of \$200 for binders and pizza party at the end of Strong Smart.

First: Shannon Archer Second: Lynda Otterman

Motion carried.

#### D. Other Business

## 1. Halloween Dance Recap:

Great event. Signup online went better this year versus paper in previous years. Balloon animals was a huge success. Playlist was fabulous. Awesome event. Pizza was late; next year we should pre-order for both time slots.

#### 2. Samko Warehouse Sale:

No cost involved. Fundraiser event suggested by Kayla MacDonald. We get a portion of the sales if anyone goes and they stamp the school on the receipt. Flyers emailed recently, and information will be sent out shortly.

## 3. Grade 3 Swimming:

Swim to Survive program - grade 3's participate in annually. Swim to Survive is 3 sessions, and the teacher likes to add 3 sessions; for a total of 6 sessions. Very important to have swimming skills living in a lakeside community. Currently 58 grade 3 students, and now we need to add an extra bus because of the amount of students. Total is \$35/per child for the 3 additional swim sessions and the 2 buses.

Motion for Parent Council to pay \$2,030.00 for the Swim to Survive, so the children do not have to pay, and they will have access to the 6 sessions and buses.

First- Marie Poss Second- Belinda Benko Motion carried.

## 4. Fundraising Goals/Planning:

Not receiving Scotiabank matching. Suggestion- One school obtains approx. 30-40'000 for their Parent Council through fundraising; the idea was raised that perhaps we need to look at different fundraising ideas? Examples; sign painting fundraiser with 2 Odd Ducks, tote bag fundraiser, spaghetti dinner, etc. Market it as a fun family night. Idea from the floor- reinstate spring family dance- perhaps make it a fundraiser in disguise? Make the focus on a school community with monthly "fun" family fundraiser events.

Track Update- 2 quotes right now, waiting for a 3<sup>rd</sup>. Track committee will have something to share by January. Let people know what the fundraiser cause is and estimated time it will take to resurface it. Make the fundraising visual- a visual picture of a track and colour in the amount of \$ donated.

## 5. Santa Sale:

No sub-committee at this point. Sketches have been drawn up with locations for the Santa Sale. Directional signs should be posted because locations have changed. Santa is on the stage, and has been confirmed. We are not getting matched by Scotiabank this year. Need to do an inventory of tables we have, maximum number of vendors is 24 max for fire code. Melissa and David are doing the layout for the Santa Sale. Vendors will be in the gym this year, which is a first. Teachers need to know we are willing to provide ideas, if they go supply shopping, we will cover the receipts. Typically crafts are sold within a \$5-10 price range. Penny table- Business recruitment this year will be a grid formation for parent volunteers; this way volunteers will only be walking a couple of blocks. Leave the school phone number on flyer, but volunteer grid formation for drop off is the same volunteers grid for pick up.

	News- Try to get the newspaper to come into the school to take pictures ahead of students creating crafts (Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> should be submitted), and then the week of the Santa Sale. Set Up- Set up is on Friday 10 am +. Vendors will come Friday between 3:30-5:30pm. Parent council newsletter on Santa Sale will be emailed out to families.
E. Business from the floor	<ol> <li>Loonie Fair: Motion to reimburse parents for the grade 6 loonie fair for a total of \$114.89         First-Melissa Mummery         Second- Lynda Otterman         Motion carried.</li> <li>Skating Session for Grade 7: Observation- It was recently viewed that helmets have been inappropriately fit and/or does not fit properly. If needed, a community donation should be made to help properly fit these kids because this is an important program and should run.</li> <li>Fundraiser Ideas- Bring different fundraising ideas to the next meeting, including fun family friendly events.         Create sub-committee fundraising committees. Market to families at the school the option to create these sub-committees. Community engagement. Ideas from the floor: Theme night fundraiser, rent out community centre for variety show, etc.</li> <li>Facebook Video on Parent Council- Facebook video showing highlights of next meeting, 15 min update on Parent Council. Less then 10 min video.</li> </ol>
F. Next Meeting Date	Next Meeting- Monday Jan 14, 2018 @ 6p.m.
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