

LAURIE MIDDLE SCHOOL

PAC AGENDA

February 20th 2024

- 1) General Meeting Called to Order: 6:31PM
- 2) Introductions/attendance: Aaron, David, Lauren, Natalie, Sarah, Kendra, Wendy, Stu, Megan
- 3) Additions/Revisions and Approval of Agenda: N/A
- 4) Revisions and Approval of Previous Month's Minutes: Motion - Kendra, Second - Sarah. Passed.
- 5) Receiving of Delegations/Presentations
- 6) Reports:
 - 6.1- **Teacher's Report**: Learn about what the teachers of our school are doing and/or working on to improve learning, school environment and events.
Lauren Gruggen
 - Mr. Gray has purchased new items for the gym
 - All teachers are actively trying to increase/improve communication with parents/guardians
 - Mt Baker info night coming up in March (Gr. 9 students & parents)
 - Gr. 6 transition info night in April
 - Next parent night focus on gambling/gaming addictions in kids
 - Working on new Laurie school swag: a variety of logos & styles to choose from, to be available for purchase year-round. Highlands school PAC will be purchasing a Laurie hoodie for every Gr. 6 student at year-end; PAC plans to reach out to other catchment elementary schools to gauge interest
 - 6.2- **Special Speaker**: N/A
 - 6.3- **Principal's Report**: Learn about what's happening in our school, upcoming events, how issues are handled and more.
Aaron Thorn
 - Upcoming district budget meetings: hoping to keep as many of this year's temporary extra blocks as possible & make permanent; hopefully 4 permanent full-time teaching positions. Focus on Math, PE, Career Ed, & Music.

- Elective selection for next year's Gr. 9s in March. Subject availability depends on budget results.
- Gr. 5 & 6 students from Steeples will be coming to Laurie next year for band classes (rather than Highlands)...this will improve our music program, create a full-time teaching position & allows for the possibility of a choir, etc.
- Funding changes for "G category" students coming next year
- Official vote for teachers regarding the "Double block" system soon
- Activity day February (thanks for all the hard work, David & Heather!)
- Gym floor redone & all 3 Science rooms got new chairs recently - Thank you Joe Tank
- Metal shop teacher at Mt Baker donated a spot welder to the Laurie shop (thank you Britton Taylor).
- Moving toward more personalized report cards, especially for IAP kids.

6.4- **Trustee's Report**: Learn about what's happening in the district, the policies, decisions and advocacy that may affect our school and your child's education.

Wendy Turner: Please see attachment for full report.

6.5- **DPAC Report**: Learn about the parent perspective on the district and/or provincial level, upcoming parent events and opportunities to supply feed-back to our district.

N/A

6.6- **Treasurer's Report**: Opportunity to learn about where your school's. Fund-raising and gaming grant money is being spent.

General Account: \$296.23

Gaming Account: \$9,619.06

Hot Lunch: \$

7) Business Arising from Previous Minutes:

7.1- Banking - still delayed

7.2-

7.3-

7.4-

7.5-

8) New Business:

8.1- Grade 6 parents to attend Aprils PAC meeting

8.2- Kids art fundraiser - Parents can purchase various articles with their child's artwork on it...more info to come

8.3- AGM date - Changed in Bylaws from September to May PAC meeting for executive elections. Motion: Sarah, Second: Stu. Passed

8.4- Fundraising requests

- a. Michelle Williams: Cooking Club (Gr. 7-9)
\$200 for equipment (Blender, pastry cutters, hand mixers & Uno cards)
Motion: Stu, Second: Sarah. Passed
- b. Lesley Cupples (all students)
\$350 for board games
Motion: Sarah, second: Stu. Passed
- c. Lauren Gruggen (all students)
Treadmill for counsellor's area
PAC will put a request to the public for a donation & revisit.

8.5-

9) Special Ongoing Items:

- 9.1- Fundraising
- 9.2- Save On Foods
- 9.3-
- 9.4-

10) Correspondence:

11) Questions:

12) Next Meetings: April 16th 2024

13) Adjournment: 7:51PM