

LANGLEY SECONDARY PAC MINUTES
April 11th, 2011

Called to order @ 7:10pm

IN ATTENDANCE: Bruce Northway, Bruce McCloy, Bonnie Kilistoff, Tracie Northway, Charlotte Simpson, Rosemary Wallace, Vicki Krell, Joanne Zanusso

Motion to accept minutes from previous LSS PAC meeting on March 14th, 2011 – M/S/C

Motion to accept the Agenda – M/S/C

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

- Spring Break – heat was working
- Budget allocations did not come out from district.
- Down 150 kids for next yr; 280 grads leaving with 135 students coming in; 5.5 teachers to go – most by retirements & leaving.
- Desiree Wallace honoured at Langley Township awards – nominated for Pete Swenson Award.
- Gabrielle Star won the soroptomist Violet Richardson Award.
- Maddie Millsip came 6th in Canada, 4th in BC for wrestling.
- Earth day grads doing a cleanup on April 21st. in the vicinity of LSS.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Bruce Northway

- Attended band night – excellent; band going to nationals.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Tammy Rachmat

- No report – not in attendance. Bruce sent her a “Hope you’re okay email.”

SECRETARY'S REPORT – Joanne Zanusso (for Roxanne Bubb)

- Several Thank you notes for scholarships.

DPAC REP REPORT – Bruce McCloy

- SPC planning council training @ LSB on April 19 & 20.
- Budget – April 19th – SB Meeting – no open house – calendar decision for 2nd week spring break; Strategic plan is available. We are in funding protection from the ministry because of declining enrolment. Stakeholder groups are having trouble getting budget information.
- Community round table meeting had extended invitations to the greater community. It brought a lot of different groups together. Each put together wish list – see scanned attachment.
- **Motion for DPAC to vote on our behalf at the BCCPAC AGM – motion moved by Bruce McCloy, seconded by Bonnie Kilistoff – carried unanimously.**

TREASURER – Bonnie Kilistoff

- Presented financials as of April 11, 2011 (see below).
- Extra money came from ministry for Music & Sports. Bonnie will check into rules for the approx. \$5,000. This will free up money from the budget. General account \$13474.97 (\$5K to sign & some gifts to come out) gaming \$12,298.13.

SCHOOL PLANNING COUNCIL REPORT

- Grad 10s started the new math - 30-40% failure rate across the province. SPC has changed their goal to increase graduation rate to 80% from 69%. A transition team will be created. A culture team & assessment team will be created.
- Our AVID is 100% graduating – approx. 100 in next month. Plan will be out of school and shown to SB April 27th.

COMMUNITY ROUND TABLE REPORT

- Sign – Dawne T. wrote a letter to Britco asking for donations. A township grant application was filled out – still in process.
- Met with Kwantlen University to implement the 2yr program with gr. 12 students. Its tuition free (\$3500 value) and flexible. Dawne will go to senior management with the proposal.

NEW BUSINESS

- Engagement survey has been revised & simplified – 647 students took survey – closer to reality – no neutral answers as a choice – will be done every year.
- Grad breakfast needs to be a budget item - \$287 paid in 2010.
- Social justice class & club are selling H2O bottles to raise money for India. They are hosting 5 activities during “Water Awareness” week – There will be a Belize trip for 2012.
- **Motion to approve budget amount for Grad breakfast up to \$500 – moved by Vicki Krell, seconded by Tracie Northway, Carried.**
- Dry grad plant sale 10 – 2 April 16th

Time & date of next meeting: May 16th @ 7:00 in school library.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

4:47 PM
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Accrual Basis

Langley Secondary School Parent Advisory Council
Profit & Loss Standard
July 1, 2010 through April 11, 2011

	Jul 1, '10 - Apr 11, 11
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Bingo Income	650.00
Craft Fair Table Rental Income	1,735.00
Direct Access Grants	21,100.00
Donations	2,187.35
Dry Grad Gaming License Income	131.00
Misc Income	157.53
Recycling	887.50
Total Income	26,848.38
Expense	
Computer Hardware	3,146.05
Counselling Support	127.81
Craft Fair Expenses	318.86
Dry Grad Raffle Expense	203.00
Equipment	1,062.53
Festival Fees	1,841.00
Field Trip Expense	1,879.97
Other Miscellaneous Expenses	157.48
Social Committee	94.45
Student Activities	678.49
Transportation	3,276.00
Total Expense	12,785.64
Net Ordinary Income	14,062.74
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
Interest Earned	7.37
Total Other Income	7.37
Net Other Income	7.37
Net Income	<u>14,070.11</u>

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Accrual Basis

Langley Secondary School Parent Advisory Council
Balance Sheet Summary
As of April 11, 2011

	Apr 11, 11
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Chequing/Savings	25,773.10
Total Current Assets	<u>25,773.10</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>25,773.10</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	25,773.10
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>25,773.10</u>

Gaming
12,298.13
General
13,474.97

DPAC



Community Roundtable
Langley School District

April 2011

Report to DPAC
April 6, 2011

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Broad representation from the community

- Langley Teachers Association
- CUPE 1260
- CUPE 1851
- Students
- Langley City Council
- DPAC

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What was accomplished at the first meeting

- Introduction of the Roundtable Concept
 - Theory behind it and Practice we will undertake
- Sharing of the reasons why we need a Roundtable
 - Past and present issues and future challenges
- Sharing of wishes

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Why the need for the Roundtable

- Information already presented to the DPAC community regarding the past and present issues within this school district and ...
- New challenges presented by Dr. Bruce Beairisto at last Wednesday's Community Forum

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It is the logical next step to the journey that began last Wednesday at the Community Forum

The wishes gathered last Wednesday are too precious to simply be placed into a report
And the task simply too massive for the Board to properly do it on their own and ...

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We can accomplish much more by all working together as a community in a structure that empowers all


In a process that is capable of solving the issues that plague our district and taking on the immense challenges that face us in the future

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There was agreement around the table last night that the Community Roundtable represents the logical next step for this district.




Our Guiding Value

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We began the process of wishing last night – that will eventually become hopes then a vision – then action plans and finally reality for our children

The thoughts of Thomas Sergiovanni are guiding us here


“Hope is the process of taking wishful thinking and grounding it in realism ... the process of taking a wish and attaching steps of thoughtful action to it” (action plans).



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“Placing hope at the core of our school community provides encouragement and promotes clear thinking and informed action, giving us the leverage we need to close the achievement gap and solve other intractable problems. Leaders in hopeful school communities recognize the potential in people and in situations. The activating effect of hope makes the difference. Some education communities engage in wishful thinking but take no deliberate action to make their wishes come true. Hopeful education communities, in contrast, take action to turn their hopes into reality.”




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Wishes expressed by the community

- To have a group that works together in the district - where opinions matter and problems can be solved. Where instead of focusing on the past we look forward to the future
- That all staff and students would come to school excited about learning
- Build a “place” where dialogue can happen and all people can feel empowered. A structure to handle change.
- Find a way to prevent similar problems from happening over and over again. Instead of hiding the problems.




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Wishes expressed by the community

- The slogan ‘working together for student success’ was true and that we could all work together and really listen to each other.
- Ministry to forgive deficit.
- Opportunity for real authentic input from the community to be heard and acted on by the Board.
- To work together as a community using resources within the community.
- Innovation on knowledge sharing (open minded learning)
- For the education community (all partners) to work together cohesively as we’ve done in the past.



The Next Step

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Reporting out and getting feedback

- Report back to individual communities
- Report to Board

Increasing the voice of the student community

At the next meeting (scheduled for early May)

- Becoming more comfortable as a community
- Refining the community structure
- Reviewing the wishes made by the community
- Finding common strands – and from these begin to identify and develop hopes
- Continue to explore a mission, the vision, values and a set of goals for the community
- Continue to encourage those that have decided not to take part to join us to take part in the larger community dialogue

