

LCPS School Council Minutes
December 17, 2018
7:00 PM

In attendance:

Council Members:

- ✓ Kevin Buhler
- ✓ Darrell Derksen (Chair)
- ✓ Susan Peters
- ✓ Russell Peters
- ✓ Benj Friesen (Vice-Chair)
- ✓ Carol Martens
- ✓ Judith Wiebe
- ✓ George Neustaeter
- ✓ John Unrau
- ✓ Darryl Goertzen

LCPS Staff:

- ✓ Jordan Brace
- ✓ Susan Ward
- ✓ Dave Gallant

- ✓ Trustee Tim Driedger

Guests:

- ✓ Mike McMann (superintendent)
- ✓ Agnes Wiebe
- ✓ Rosalind Petzold
- ✓ Ben Peters

1. Call to order: 7:00pm
2. Approval of Agenda: Darrell Derksen

3. School Report: Mrs. Ward

- Connectedness Survey (Results update)

→ Staff have been given the results of the survey. A list has been created of the students that have indicated that they do not have any connections with any of the staff in the building. Preliminary thoughts are they the list is smaller and we originally thought the list would have had more names on it.

You are connected to someone if you feel that:

- You matter to them
- They care about you
- You could go to them for help with a problem

- Career Fair (Update)

→ 16 presenters were attendance and included: Students were interested to see that some people that grew up here in La Crete went away to school to get their education and training and have returned home to start their careers. Lots of opportunity / bursaries options are available when returning to this area. List of presenters:

Buffalo Enterprise- Heavy Equipment Mechanic
Northern Lakes
University of Calgary
La Crete Chamber of Commerce
Lab/X-Ray Tech
Trades
Nursing
Pharmacy
Banking (ATB)
Borielle Housing Foundation
Home Hardware
Friesen Accounting
Mennonite Mutual
Blue Wave
MacKenzie County (Agriculture)

MacKenzie County (Human Resources)

- Grad Events (Hockey game- Friday at 1:00PM)

→ 10 parents and 8 staff have signed up to play in the game. It's annual tradition here at LCPS. This is great way for staff and students to come together to enjoy a friendly game together before the break. Also of note in Grad events: calendars and grad auction were successful fundraisers.

- Christmas Concert

→ This was well received by the community, a coffee and pie fundraiser social was held after the concert and was well also attended. Jill has been an important piece of the music program and planning.

- Vaping

→ There is a growing need to educate our students about the dangers of vaping. Some concerns have come forward from parents. A presentation has been put together to provide information for our students here at LCPS. An idea was brought forward to have someone from the health community that could present to the students.

- Family in need

→ A person has contacted the school to ask if there are any families that we can think of that might be in need of christmas care packages.

4. Chairperson's Report

- Nothing to report
- A question was asked about the potential to bring a Bachelor of Education program to our area. A full degree will be offered over the next 4 years in attempt to "home grow" teachers for our schools here in the FVSD. (Mike McMann)
- Currently 3 people have started the program and have started their degrees.
- The FVSD is also offering the dual credit Health Care Aid Program. 13 students have already graduated from the program.

5. Trustee Report

- ★ The minister of education came to the area to look at the potential of infrastructure for a high school in Blue Hills. Some good talking points were had with him around the needs of our school division and area.

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6. Mike McMann

→ Providing background on school board reports

7. Next meeting - Jan. 21 at 7 PM

8. Meeting Adjourned @ 8:17pm