

## **Lester B Pearson High School**

### **Parent Council- October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

**In Attendance:** Noelle M, Pat T, Kai K, Dustin B, Shelina B, Carol M, Karen T, Manny N, Noreen N, Jaymor D, Liley D, Suman D, Marilyn B

**Regrets:** Stacey B, Leanne L, Hosam S

**Welcome and Introduction** - Noelle - 7:02 p.m.

**Approval of minutes** for September 2015 – no changes

**Agenda reviewed** – no additions

**Principals Report** - Mr. Patrick Thalheimer

**General:** 3.5 more teachers have been approved by Calgary Board of Education, out of which .5 will work as First Nations Graduation coach. Remaining three can be chosen for leadership positions. Also, surplus money has been inputted back into the schools by CBE rather than the reserves. Pearson school is focusing more on English language learning skills from this year.

**High School Redesign:** discussed CBE continuing High school Redesign in order to improve learning and increase connectivity among students, teachers and staff. Some key points are mastery learning; it helps students in setting their learning standard goals high etc. Information sheet provided as well as website, <http://ideas.education.alberta.ca/hsc/redesigning/movinfw/>

Teach all Grade 10 core classes for full year was brought up by Mr. Thalheimer. He believes that it will help students to adjust better to the high school environment but most members/ parents disagreed.

**Also discussed:**

What parents can do to help their children in their studies?

Practice is the key to succeed in mathematics.

Encourage students to take maximum core subjects in order to secure their future.

Solutions to the practice questions should be provided to students so that they can check their answers at home.

**New Business**

**Election of Officers** - Parent Council. The slate of officers below was motioned by Noreen N, seconded by Manny N.

Chair- Noelle Mah

Vice Chair- Karen Taylor

Secretary- Sumanpreet Dandiwal

Treasurer – Karen Taylor

Key Communicator - open

Nomination of the officers approved unanimously.

**Discussion topic for next month:** Talk with Athletic Director

**Meeting date for Next Month:** Scheduled meeting on Monday, November 30<sup>th</sup> has been changed to November 23<sup>rd</sup> to accommodate grade 9 open house at Pearson.

**Old Business**

**Auditing of Financial Records** - Manny and Noreen auditing last year's financials.

**Meeting adjourned @ 7:41 p.m.**

**Next meeting to be held on Monday November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 @ 7:00 p.m.**

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Parent Advisory Society - October 26, 2015

**In Attendance:** Noelle M, Pat T, Kai K, Dustin B, Shelina B, Carol M, Karen T, Manny N, Noreen N, Jaymor D, Liley D, Suman D, Marilyn B

**Regrets:** Stacey B, Leanne L, Hosam S

**Meeting commences @ 7:43 p.m.**

**Introduction:** Noelle

**Minutes approved** for September 2015 – no changes

**Approval of Agenda** – approved, no additions

**Treasurer's Report** - no change reported.

**New Business**

**Election of Officers** – Parent Advisory Society. The slate of officers below was motioned by Karen and seconded by Manny.

Chair- Noelle Mah

Vice Chair- Karen Taylor

Secretary- Sumanpreet Dandiwal

Treasurer- Leanne Larson

Casino Coordinator- Shelina Bata and Noelle Mah

Members at Large – Carol Martin, Dustin B, Manny Nkiwane, Noreen Nkiwane, Jaymor Domingo, Lilet D, Marilyn Barlis, Stacey Beckett, Hosam Sayed

Nomination of the officers approved unanimously.

**New Signing Authority** – Manny N. motions to add Leanne Larson as a signing authority for Lester B. Pearson Senior High School Parents Advisory Society Casino and General Bank Accounts. Lilet D. seconds. Approved unanimously.

**Removal Of Signing Authority** - Manny N. motions to remove Stacey Beckett as a signing authority for Lester B. Pearson Senior High School Parents Advisory Society Casino and General Bank Accounts. Lilet D. seconds. Approved unanimously.

**Meeting adjourned @ 7:53 p.m.**

**Next meeting to be held on Monday November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2015.**