

# Lester B Pearson High School

## Parent Council – September 28, 2015

**Welcome and Introductions @7:00**

**Approval of minutes** from the May 2015 meeting.

### **Principals Report**

Principal - Mr. Patrick Thalheimer

Assistant Principal – Mr. Steven Papp

LBJ is a program of choice in area III.

1650 plus students many were added late August and September so there are currently 40 plus students in some of the classes.

There was a meeting of learning leaders at Pearson about 1.5 weeks ago to discuss the potential to hire a new teacher for the year. The learning leaders decided that it was not worth disrupting the current timetable and student learning to bring one in during the current semester, rather they will wait and bring in two next semester.

Pat's summarized his history as a teacher and Principal in the CBE and stated his job at LBP was to support student learning.

The sports teams are all up and running. We have a football team for the first time in nearly 10 years. Athletics and school culture are strong at Pearson as evidenced by the large crowds in support of our teams. We do need to build the IB and FLIG program numbers to secure these programs in the future.

There is a want to build on the IB and Immersion programs as some classes in these areas have 13 or less students.

Home logic is online and available to see marks, monitor homework, projects and attendance.

The school is moving from a percentage based marking system to that of outcomes.

### **Discussion Questions**

What are the best aspects related to being a student at LBP?

Take as many diverse courses so as to keep post-secondary options open.

Being able to take an extra term to succeed.

Teachers who step up and communicate with other staff/provide student help.

Diversity, warmth, welcoming, understanding and culturally sensitive.

Barriers to students being successful at LBP?

Length of class times.

Why is there no meet the teacher night?

### **Auditing of Financial Records**

Manny and Noreen agreed to audit last year's financials.

**Housekeeping:** Synervoice messages may not be working right – some parents reported getting calls very late Sunday night (4am). The newsletter was not mailed to all parents.

What will be the "Education" topic for the next parent council meeting?

**Introductions of the different positions that are available to be filled on the Parent Council/Society.**

**Nominations for these positions will take place at the next meeting.**

**Meeting adjourned @ 7:35pm**

**Next meeting to be held on Monday October 26<sup>th</sup> @7:00pm**

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Monday September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015

## **Parent Advisory Society Meeting**

**Introductions:** Stacey Beckett - Treasurer

**Approval of Minutes** for May 2015.

**Treasurer's report:** There is approximately \$89,000 in our casino account. Stacey gave a brief description of what the Parent Advisory Society roll was. Parents were eager to know what the Society had provided for the students and what kind of decision making power we had. A wish list was provided by the school for various items to help in a variety of programs totaling \$22,605.

**New Business:**

**New signing authority**

Carol Martin motions to add Karen Taylor as a signing authority for Lester B Pearson Senior High School Parents Advisory Society Casino and General Bank Accounts. Leanne Larson 2nds. Passed unanimously.

**Removal of previous signing authority**

Karen Taylor motions to remove Bev Breedon as a signing authority for the Lester B Pearson Senior High School Parents Advisory Society Casino and General Bank Accounts. Leanne Larson 2nds. Passed unanimously.

**Meeting adjourned @ 7:58pm**

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