

PAC MINUTES, Thursday, September 29th, 2016 @ 9:00am

Parent Advisory Council Meeting École Laronde – Library

1. Welcome & Introductions @ 9:00am

2016-17 Laronde Elementary PAC Members:

Chair – Cynthia Springate Vice Chair – Janet Petras Secretary - Pamela Wilson-Sydor Co-Treasurers - Katie Corbeil & Suzie Fang Class Parent Coordinator – Anastasia Stoubos	Communications – Tanja Phillips & Hollis Pilling Members at Large – Lori Jones, Sarah Hunter, Josee Katz, Catharine Macrander Grade 7 Rep – Della Faremo CPF- Marisela Amyotte
Principal - Johane Fortin	

Total 22 Laronde parents & PAC executive present at meeting.

2. Motion to Approve of Agenda

- Moved by Tanja P., seconded by Catharine M. All in favour, motion carried.

3. Motion to Review and Approval of Minutes from June 3rd, 2016

- Moved by Hollis P., seconded by Janet P. All in favour, motion carried.

4. Principal Report – Johane Fortin

- We are enrolling 449 students this year which is an increase of 30 students from September 2015.
- We have 15 new students plus new Kindergarten students, four new teachers, and two new EA's.
- We appreciated seeing all the families at the open house last week. Thank you to the Book Fair team with coordinator Faye Karvat.

Athletics

- 70 students in Cross-Country
- 25 boys and 14 girls in soccer
- Very appreciative of parent coaches
- Athletic calendar shared with PAC and included below. Please let us know if you want to help coach a sport this year. Volleyball begins mid-October and we are looking for girls' and boys' coaches.

School Events / Initiatives:

- Walk & Roll to School Week – October 17 to 21.
- Student leadership – Grade 7 students all year, grade 6 students one out of three terms.
- We have 20 grade 7 students going to We Day on November 3 with Mme Knoll.

New Curriculum and Reporting

New curriculum:

- Our teachers are implementing the new curriculum this year as mandated by the Ministry.
- More flexible to enable teachers to develop cross-curricular learning experiences and take advantage of students' interests – less prescriptive content, more depth.

- Designed to support development of critical thinking, communications skills, and personal and social competence (core competencies).
- Includes “big ideas” that are important for students to understand.
- Aboriginal perspective is integrated into every subject.
- Is available online – <https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca>

Reporting / Communicating Student Learning (CSL):

- New assessment and reporting methods need to align with the new curriculum – Making learning visible.
- New ministry guidelines expected in later this year.
- There are 3 major reporting and 2 informal reporting periods during the school year, as required by the Ministry.
- This school year, there are 2 options for reporting for teachers to use:
 - Communicating Student Learning (CSL) district-developed report
 - Digital portfolio using the program Fresh Grade
 - Previous years’ report card with learning outcomes, X’s, and letter grades (intermediate) is no longer in effect

5. Call for Volunteers

- Outreach committee members &/or Chair – this committee works closely with our sister school Forsyth Road to support initiatives like a warm clothing drive and the Christmas Hampers.
- DPAC Representative (meet on the 4th Wednesday of every month)

6. Chair Report – Cynthia Springate

Welcome back to all returning families and a special welcome to our new families. We hope you soon come to see how special a parent community we have here. I’d like to introduce you all to your 2016/17 PAC executive team,

Position	Name	E-mail Address
Chair	Cynthia Springate	chair@larondepac.ca
Vice-Chair	Janet Petras	vicechair@larondepac.ca
Secretary	Pam Wilson-Sydor	secretary@larondepac.ca
Treasurers	Katie Corbeil	treasurer@larondepac.ca
	Susie Fang	treasurer@larondepac.ca
Communications	Tanja Phillips	communication@larondepac.ca
	Hollis Pilling	communication@larondepac.ca
Class Parent Coordinator	Anastasia Stoubos	classparent@larondepac.ca
Members at Large	Sarah Hunter Lori Jones Catharine Macrander Della Faremo Josee Katz	

I am proud to report that even though this is our first meeting of the year, we have already completed two successful PAC supported events, the Welcome Back Coffee and the Scholastic Book Fair. I'd like to thank our PAC executive for coming in early on the first day of school to welcome our parents back to school. Thank you to Tracy Cameron, who generously donated the Tim Horton's coffee and Timbits! Also, thank you to Ocean Park Starbucks who gave us a discount on their coffee.

Our annual Scholastic Book Fair was held last week and we sold over \$6500 in books which raised \$2200 in cash and materials for the library. PAC also purchased one book for each division off the teacher's wish lists. Thanks to all the parent volunteers who set up our book fair, worked the checkout lines and packed it all away. A very special thank you to Faye K. who coordinated the whole event!

Thanks to Karin B. for another fabulous yearbook. Karin is seeking a few photographers for this year's book so if you can help out, please contact her directly or via myself (chair@larondepac.ca)

Register on larondepac.ca – Access Code LAR2016

If you have yet to register on larondepac.ca, please do so asap. We use this to communicate important PAC related information to you throughout the school year. Some class parents may use these lists to email class specific information about homework, field trips and other classroom details. If you have difficulty registering or using the web-site, please email me at chair@larondepac.ca

Fundraising

Fundraising activities are limited at Laronde but one of our major events each year is the **Annual Cheque Writing Campaign**. This is one of our major fundraisers and by writing just one check, you save yourself hours and hours of selling chocolates, collecting pledges, washing cars, and baking cookies. Funds raised from cheque writing go to enrich the school life of all Laronde students through cultural performances, PE activities, technology purchases and playground builds. We are currently saving for the replacement of playground 2 that will be required in 2 or 3 years from now. Estimated cost for this is \$100K. We can't do this without your donations. We will be running the campaign beginning in October. Last year we raised over \$19,500. We like to suggest a \$60.00 per child donation and gratefully accept donations of any amount, issuing tax receipts for donations \$20.00 or more as we are a registered charity. Some companies run donation matching programs where you can designate your favourite charity (Laronde PAC) and they will match your donation or volunteer hours. More details on this year's cheque writing campaign will be coming home with your child in October.

Passive Fundraisers

- Cobb's Bread – mention Laronde before you check out and a percentage of your sale is directed to PAC
- Emily Press Labels – use the link www.emilypress.com/laronde
- School Start - \$5 from every order of online school supplies comes back to PAC
- Ethical Addiction – selling select T-shirts that support PACs.

Hot Lunch

Our biggest fundraiser is our hot lunch program. For those of you new to the school, we offer a weekly rotation of menus from Panago, Subway, White Spot, Taco del Mar, Boston Pizza and Hot Dogs and Sushi. We are in need of a few new hot lunch teams this year. The teams pick up food and other items as needed from Save-On Foods and coordinates distribution of lunch items on appointed day. This is a once every 4 to 6 week commitment on the day of hot lunch.

Upcoming Events

Mark your calendars for our annual Xmas craft fair happening on November 24th from 2:30-4:30. Students rent table space to sell their unique crafts to raise a bit of extra money for the holidays. Thank you Cindy A. for coordinating this creative event!

7. Financial Report – See charts below

8. Committee Reports

- Hot Lunch needs 2 new teams for set-up every 4 to 6 weeks
- Fruit and Veggie – 10 dates through the school year for fruit and veggies. Thanks Kerry M. for continuing with the fruit and veggie committee!
- Art Night – a grade 6 and Grade 7 committee has formed to do the Art Night this year. The auction will be held on February 25, 2017 at the Ocean Park Hall, a fun event! If you have a door prize to donate, please contact Tanja at atphillips@shaw.ca. Art will be completed in classes during the month of November. We're looking for "artists" to lead the classes through their art project. Please contact Julie at juliej_purple@hotmail.com if you can help in your child's class.
- Emergency Preparedness – Oct 14 plan to go through the emergency container and update the food. Please help if you can.
- Logo Wear - The logo wear will be available for sale soon and include hoodies , pants, t-shirts and caps. The gear can be purchased directly from the Laronde PAC web site and notices will be distributed in advance.

9. New Business –

- Movie Night – Nov 18, presented by the Grade 7 class. Details to come out soon
- Nov 3 – French Film festival at Guildford cinemas, details to come soon
- Week of March 6, 2017 – Francophone week "Canadian Francophone", details to come in 2017
- "Education 101" – a seminar on Oct 11, 2016 at École Woodward Hill, presented by Surrey Students Now, Surrey DPAC, Surrey CPF and École Woodward Hill PAC. Information at www.surreystudentsnow.com

10. Old Business - None

11. Motion to Adjourn – Hollis P. & Kira A.

Next Meeting: Thursday, November 17th @ 9:00am-Important Dates in October & November

Oct. 5th – Lice check (volunteers needed)

Oct. 14th – Photo retake day

Oct. 21st – Non-Instructional Day

Nov. 4th – Non-Instructional Day

Nov. 11th – Remembrance Day (no school)

Oct. 10th – Thanksgiving Monday (no school)

Oct. 17th – Interim Report Week

Oct. 26th – Parent/Teacher (1:33pm dismissal)

Nov. 10th – Non-Instructional Day

See charts on next page.



École Laronde

Horaire des sports / Athletic Calendar 2016-2017

Sport	Dates - Includes playday	Registration dates	Coach/es	School Sponsor/s
Soccer Grade 6 & 7 girls	Sept. 19-Oct. 14	Sept. 9-16	Della Faremo Sarah Hunter	Mme Wawryk
Soccer Grade 6 & 7 boys	Sept. 19-Oct. 14	Sept. 9-16	Kelly Dumont Doug Charlton	Mme Remy
X-Country Grades 3-7 boys & girls	Tuesdays Sept. 20-Oct. 18	Sept. 9-16	Ryan Baldwin	Mme Fortin Mme Paulhus
Volleyball – Grade 6 & 7 girls	Thursdays Oct. 31-Dec. 1	Oct. 3-14		
Volleyball – Grade 6 & 7 boys	Wednesdays Oct. 31-Dec. 1	Oct. 3-14		Mme Shakur
Basketball – Grade 6 & 7 girls	Thursdays Jan. 16-Feb. 23	Nov. 27-Dec. 9	Sarah Hunter	Mme Fraser
Basketball – Grade 6 & 7 boys	Wednesdays Jan. 16-Feb. 23	Nov. 27-Dec. 9		
Badminton – Grade 5 & 6 boys & girls	Feb. 27-April 27	Feb. 3- Feb. 17		Mme Weghsteen
Badminton – Grade 7 boys & girls	Feb. 27-April 27	Feb. 3- Feb. 17	M. Boylan	Mme Knoll
Ultimate Grades 5-7 boys & girls	March 27-May 5	Feb. 20-March 3	Mme Burden	
Track & Field Grades 3-7 boys and girls	Track Meet Thursday, June 1st		Mme DesLauriers	Mme Wong

Laronde PAC
 Operating Budget Summary
 School Year 2016-2017

As of **24-Sep-2016**

Source of Funds

	Actual School Year 2015-2016	Target School Year 2016-2017	Actual YTD 2016-2017	Variance YTD 2016-2017
Hot Lunch*	17,109	15,000	-	(15,000)
Gaming Grant	9,155	9,000	-	(9,000)
Spring Fair	7,812	-	-	-
Logo Wear	805	700	-	(700)
Cheque Writing Campaign	19,586	18,000	-	(18,000)
Total Fundraising	54,467	42,700	-	(42,700)

Use of Funds

	Actual School Year 2015-2016	Budget School Year 2016-2017	Actual YTD 2016-2017	Variance YTD 2016-2017
Artist in Residence	3,591	4,000	-	4,000
Cultural Performances	2,274	3,000	-	3,000
PE Activity	3,734	4,000	-	4,000
Science Enrichment	4,564	5,750	-	5,750
Teacher Classroom Funds	2,619	2,700	195	2,505
LST/Library/Music	246	450	-	450
Grade 7 Graduation	-	500	-	500
Emergency Preparedness	-	1,532	-	1,532
Social Media Education	630	1,500	-	1,500
Body Health	2,830	2,000	-	2,000
Classroom Books	259	450	-	450
Iguy/Igirl (alternate yrs)	2,753	-	-	-
First Aid	698	882	737	146
Field Trip Supplement	2,150	-	-	-
PAC Admin	835	500	-	500
School Activities	591	500	-	500
EMS Scholarship	500	500	-	500
Miscellaneous	960	500	-	500
Total Uses of Funds	\$ 29,234	\$ 28,764	\$ 932	\$ 27,832

Funds Balances

as at 24-Sep-16

Assets

Account Balances at Sept 24, 2016

General Funds

Gaming Account	15,100.98
Cheque Writing	0.00
Operating Account	<u>31,275.37</u>

Available funds 46,376.35

Held in Trust

Fundraising: Playground and/or Technology	12,866.26
Fundraising: Playground fund	35,328.60
Grade 7 Fundraising	0.24
PayPal	<u>25,123.82</u>
Total	<u>73,318.92</u>

Bank / Funds Balances 119,695.27