

# Lansdowne Parent Council

## Monday March 4, 2024

**Virtual Meeting:** <https://meet.google.com/kmn-zhux-apg>

*Present:* Jessica Mayor-Rodrigues, Ashley Morrison, Rick de Guzman, Andrea Harrison,  
Wendy Zebrasky, Brent Johnson, Debbie Purganan, Rose Torrijos

*Regrets Sent:*

*Minute taker:* Wendy Zebrasky

### **1. Attendance, Call to Order & Land Acknowledgement**

- Meeting called to order 6:33p.m.

### **2. Review of Meeting Agenda/ Approval of past minutes**

- Approval of Dec. 4/23 minutes - Motioned by Rick and seconded by Andrea - CARRIED
- Approval of Jan. 22/24 minutes - Motioned by Rick and seconded by Brent - CARRIED

### **3. School Admin Update (Jessica & Ashley)**

- See attached report (Appendix A)

### **4. Presidents, Treasurer and Vice-President Updates (Andrea & Rick)**

- Fundraising Account: \$13,180.00
- Money to buy pizza was taken from the Fundraising acct for staff appreciation
- Lunch Program: \$32,241.00
- Reminder for staff to send their wish list to LPC
- Lunch Program: We should get systems in place for Lunch Program in case lunch program coordinator Mary retires. This will create an easier transition for new staff.
- We should be looking into budgeting yearly costs for maintenance on appliances.

### **5. WSD Advisory Committee meeting updates**

- WSD North District Advisory Meeting- Feb.8<sup>th</sup> – Budget Consultation was well organized and well attended.
- WSD French Immersion Advisory Meeting- Feb.20- no Lansdowne representation
- WSD Inclusive Education Advisory Committee- March 7<sup>th</sup> – Andrea and Wendy to attend

### **6. Performing Arts Committee**

- No update

## **7. Other Business / Round Table**

- Add to April meeting agenda: Graduation, Be the Change Award
- Andrea to make updates on Lunch Program Application for us to review in April meeting
- **MOTION:** To approve an expense of up to \$300.00 for 28 \$10.00 gift cards, for each classroom Nursery to Grade 8, for I love to Read month. Motioned by Debbie; Seconded by Rick - CARRIED
- Next meeting will be on Monday April 8<sup>th</sup> at 630pm – Virtually. Link will be sent out.

**Meeting Adjourned** – 7:35pm. Motioned by Rick; Seconded by Brent - CARRIED

## Administration Report March 4, 2024

The month of February was busy and full of fun activities. Our Festival Week included a pancake breakfast, outdoor bonfire/marshmallow roast, a spirit week and a voyageur Bingo. Three winners were awarded their very own ceinture fléchées or a red tuque. Our students also took part in several activities surrounding literacy. Every week there was a Drop Everything and Read period, we had a school wide spelling bee (Family Feud style) and many classes had guest readers come in and share their favorite book. Students who completed a minimum of 15 reading challenges off of the I Love to read calendar were entered in a draw to win a \$10 gift certificate from Chapters. A huge thank you to the LPC who generously purchased a gift card for each grade level. On Tuesday, we will have the draws for the Chapters gift cards. In addition, many of the students/teachers focused on Black History Month.

- We would like to take a moment to thank all of our families for their kind words, treats and the amazing staff appreciation lunch. On behalf of the entire Lansdowne staff we want to let you know how much your support and generosity means to us. Merci beaucoup!

- Concours d'art Oratoire is in full swing for grades 3-8. Concours at the school level will take place on Thursday, March 7th in the morning. The winners at the school level will then compete at the divisional level on March 21st at École Garden Grove.

- Junior High basketball is coming to an end this week. Both the Boys and Girls teams did phenomenal. In January the grade 5 and six students participated in triple ball, and grade 7/8 track and field will finish up later this month. We are so incredibly proud of our students and coaches for their sportsmanship, dedication and hard work.

- As a staff we are currently working on report cards which will be sent home a little later this year to allow for more time learning, assessing and completing projects. A link for report cards will be sent home on March 20th. In lieu of Student-Led conferences, this year we will be having a Celebration of Learning evening on April 18th, where students and families will drop in between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. to see all of the wonderful learning and growth that is happening in the classrooms.

- Enrollment began January 8th. We have been asked to keep Nursery and Kindergarten classes separate for the 2024-2025 school year. We are projecting around 50-55 nursery students.

- We are starting to work on staffing for the next school year. We have no physical space to open more classes, thus we are hoping for additional support teacher staffing to alleviate the large class sizes. We are told that we should receive our staffing in the very near future, and that the first round of job postings will go out before Spring Break.

- Matt Henderson visited Lansdowne on February 27th. He was able to meet some of our incredibly talented and hardworking staff, witness learning in the halls and in the classrooms and have a conversation with Mary about the Lunch Program. Throughout his visit he provided positive feedback and seemed genuinely impressed with all of the great things happening at the school.

- The Lunch Program has been running smoothly, the new outdoor equipment has been very well received by the students. For the month of March, Mary has started to make hot lunches on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. The leadership students will be running a canteen over lunch for students

(grades 6-8) on Tuesdays. All funds raised will go towards charitable initiatives and providing transportation for students to volunteer in and around the community.

-The Track/Fitness capital project is ready to go out for tender. We are aiming to have the project started on June 1st, 2024. We have just applied for another grant through the Co-Op Community Projects program, to help with the second phase of the project. This includes tables, bike racks and greenery.

### Upcoming Dates/Events-

March 15<sup>th</sup>- PD Day-Grades 6-8 Babysitting Course

March 18<sup>th</sup>- Spring Photos

March 20<sup>th</sup> - Report Cards go home  
- Grade 8 SERC (am)  
- Défi Francophonie on-line Kahoot competition

March 21<sup>st</sup> – Grade 7 SERC (am)

April 1<sup>st</sup>- School resumes after Spring Break

April 2<sup>nd</sup>- PBIS Common Area Training

April 3<sup>rd</sup>- Earth Rangers presentation (grades N-6)

March 8<sup>th</sup>- Tibert et Douzie Presentation @ 9:00 am (N-6)

April 10<sup>th</sup>- International Day of Pink

April 12<sup>th</sup>- MADD Presentation (7/8's in the am)  
-Lansdowne Has Talent in the pm-All grades

April 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>- Mobile Vision Clinic

April 18<sup>th</sup>- Celebration of learning (4:00 -7:30)

April 19<sup>th</sup>- PD- DREF Presentation (am), Wellness day (pm)

April 23<sup>rd</sup>- Bus Ridership

April 30<sup>th</sup> - Immunization Clinic (6's and 8's)

We are very fortunate that our school community is working together for the benefit of students. Thank you to the LPC for all your support.

Merci,  
Jess and Ashley

## Appendix B: Approval for pizza lunch expense

2/13/24, 8:16 PM

Gmail - Staff Pizza



Rick de Guzman <rickdeguzman@gmail.com>

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### Staff Pizza

6 messages

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**Darcy and Andrea Harrison** <Harrisonfamily1@hotmail.com> Tue, Feb 13, 2024 at 9:29 AM  
To: Rick de Guzman <rickdeguzman@gmail.com>, Wendy Hallgrimson <wendyhallgrimson@gmail.com>, Debbie Purganan <dpurganan@gmail.com>, Brent Johnson <chair.lpcpab@gmail.com>, Derek Dexter <winnipeg.owner@groundsguys.com>

Hey!

The school sent home a form asking families if they would like to contribute to a potluck this Thursday for staff appreciation week. We have been getting lots of responses and we thought it might be nice to add some pizza to have with the food. 😊 I wanted to put a motion forward to approve buying 10-12 pizzas for Thursday's staff potluck. We usually order from Dominos. We would use money from the fundraising account. Please reply to this email.

Thanks!

Andrea

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**Brent Johnson** <chair.lpcpab@gmail.com> Tue, Feb 13, 2024 at 9:32 AM  
To: Rick de Guzman <rickdeguzman@gmail.com>, Wendy Hallgrimson <wendyhallgrimson@gmail.com>, Debbie Purganan <dpurganan@gmail.com>, Derek Dexter <winnipeg.owner@groundsguys.com>, Darcy and Andrea Harrison <Harrisonfamily1@hotmail.com>

Yes!

Happy staff appreciation week, it is very well-deserved. We are so fortunate at Lansdowne to have a wonderfully supportive, nurturing, kind, and caring community of educators and support staff who make Lansdowne just the best place for our kiddos to learn, grow, and thrive together. Thank you so much too at the staff for everything they do, each and every day.

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Brent Johnson, *Chair*  
Lansdowne Performing Arts Committee  
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204.793.1246  
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**Wendy Zebrasky** <wendyhallgrimson@gmail.com> Tue, Feb 13, 2024 at 10:06 AM  
To: Darcy and Andrea Harrison <Harrisonfamily1@hotmail.com>  
Cc: Rick de Guzman <rickdeguzman@gmail.com>, Debbie Purganan <dpurganan@gmail.com>, Brent Johnson <chair.lpcpab@gmail.com>, Derek Dexter <winnipeg.owner@groundsguys.com>

Good Morning,

I support the motion to buy pizza for the Staff appreciation, as long as week have the funds available in the fundraising acct.

Wendy Zebrasky  
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**The Grounds Guys Of Winnipeg** <derek.dexter@groundsguys.com> Tue, Feb 13, 2024 at 10:55 AM  
To: Wendy Zebrasky <wendyhallgrimson@gmail.com>, Darcy and Andrea Harrison <Harrisonfamily1@hotmail.com>  
Cc: Rick de Guzman <rickdeguzman@gmail.com>, Debbie Purganan <dpurganan@gmail.com>, Brent Johnson <chair.lpcpab@gmail.com>

I support buying pizza for the staff as well!

Cheers.

**Derek Dexter**  
General Manager

2/13/24, 8:16 PM

Gmail Staff Pizza  
204-792-5584 (cell)  
204-942-7028 (office)

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**From:** Wendy Zebrasky <[wendyhallgrimson@gmail.com](mailto:wendyhallgrimson@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 13, 2024 10:06:11 AM  
**To:** Darcy and Andrea Harrison <[Harrisonfamily1@hotmail.com](mailto:Harrisonfamily1@hotmail.com)>  
**Cc:** Rick de Guzman <[rickdeguzman@gmail.com](mailto:rickdeguzman@gmail.com)>; Debbie Purganan <[dpurganan@gmail.com](mailto:dpurganan@gmail.com)>; Brent Johnson <[chair.lpcpab@gmail.com](mailto:chair.lpcpab@gmail.com)>; The Grounds Guys Of Winnipeg <[winnipeg.owner@groundsguys.com](mailto:winnipeg.owner@groundsguys.com)>  
**Subject:** Re: Staff Pizza

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**Rick de Guzman** <[rickdeguzman@gmail.com](mailto:rickdeguzman@gmail.com)> Tue, Feb 13, 2024 at 10:55 AM  
To: Darcy and Andrea Harrison <[harrisonfamily1@hotmail.com](mailto:harrisonfamily1@hotmail.com)>  
Cc: Brent Johnson <[chair.lpcpab@gmail.com](mailto:chair.lpcpab@gmail.com)>, Debbie Purganan <[dpurganan@gmail.com](mailto:dpurganan@gmail.com)>, Derek Dexter <[winnipeg.owner@groundsguys.com](mailto:winnipeg.owner@groundsguys.com)>, Wendy Hallgrimson <[wendyhallgrimson@gmail.com](mailto:wendyhallgrimson@gmail.com)>

Absolutely. I vote yes!  
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**Debbie Purganan** <[dpurganan@gmail.com](mailto:dpurganan@gmail.com)> Tue, Feb 13, 2024 at 11:25 AM  
To: Rick de Guzman <[rickdeguzman@gmail.com](mailto:rickdeguzman@gmail.com)>  
Cc: Darcy and Andrea Harrison <[Harrisonfamily1@hotmail.com](mailto:Harrisonfamily1@hotmail.com)>, Brent Johnson <[chair.lpcpab@gmail.com](mailto:chair.lpcpab@gmail.com)>, Derek Dexter <[winnipeg.owner@groundsguys.com](mailto:winnipeg.owner@groundsguys.com)>, Wendy Hallgrimson <[wendyhallgrimson@gmail.com](mailto:wendyhallgrimson@gmail.com)>

Yes! Thank you for arranging this.  
Debbie

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 13, 2024, at 10:56 AM, Rick de Guzman <[rickdeguzman@gmail.com](mailto:rickdeguzman@gmail.com)> wrote:

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