



# Lackner Woods Public School Council Meeting

Thursday Oct 13, 2022

7:00pm

Held in the Library & online

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## Attendees

Julie Jackson Sinclair- *Principal*

Gaby Gardiner-Absent with regret

Mike Hope

Rob Pearlstone

Jil Mangel

Alison Freeman

Adam Verhoeve

Emily Bond

Caitie Green

Jennifer Costello

Kayla Border

Peter Cheung

Janny Hong

Kiki Stefandis

Krishna

Sadia Salahuddin - Absent with regrets

Tina - Teacher Rep -Absent with regret

## Call to Order

Rob called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

## Student Transportation Services

Lesley Maxwell Presented

- School Travel Planning Supervisor with the student transportation Services of Waterloo
- Discussed options for student safety in front of the school
- Helping students walk and cycle to school
- Reduce the traffic around the school and critical accidents
- Increase physical activity, safety, independence, and academic performance
- They work with a variety of stakeholders - School admin, community residents, neighborhood associations etc.
- There are resources available to help with this issue
- Have worked with LWPS previously and worked with the contractor for the daycare to assess the traffic needs in the parking lot
  
- Discussion:
  - Drive to Five Map
    - This map shows where there is parking spots not in front of the school, on side roads and other places that parents can drop off their children
    - The map needs to be adapted to account for the fact the teachers are currently parking on side roads
    - Show where there are parking spots farther away to account for the teacher parking
- Education for the parents about the walkable distances
- Additional Supports - trailblazer programs, work with upper year students to volunteer their walk the route with vest pt show other families that they are walking to school - this could increase organic walking groups
- Walking school buses - will provide vest, recruitment tools to set this up
- Sharing a link to solutions on the website
  - <https://www.stswr.ca>
- Julie asked about a new crossing guard at the top of the hill
  - Lesley said that she would ask the city for additional crossing guards.
  - Lesley could review with the city where the speed limit signs are
- Julie to work with Lesley on the walking school bus and the trailblazer program.
- Lesley will check about automated speed enforcement for LWPS
- Emily Asked about the school buses - are they full?
  - The current system is to have the drivers do 2-3 runs morning/afternoon
  - It takes longer to fill the bus and offering courteous runs
- Possibly provide incentives to the students for walk/Cycle to school
- Contacting the Waterloo Regional Police may be an option to deter the same parents who continue to not follow the rules

## Finalize roles

- Jill - Events Director
- Alison - Communications Director
- Krishna - Fundraisinging
- Caitie - Secretary
- Co-Chair - Pete and Adam
- Chair - Rob

## Principal Update

- Shifting the way that the reading is taught in the school - school council bought the Haggerty books last year and this year there are requests on the wish list that would help facilitate this shift back to phonetic reading
- Kids that struggle, ESL students, students with dyslexia struggle but through the Science of Reading, there is evidence to show that with the new style of teaching - phonetics, phonemic awareness, shared and guided reading, it helps those that struggle to read to be more successful
- Julie is asking for resources to help with the shift to phonetic teaching and to help facilitate this shift
- This is a large part of the Professional Development days and Teachers will be working on increasing their teaching skills in these areas
- Portable 10
  - Coming on Nov 18th
  - Asphalt will be coming
  - New outdoor classroom - likely in the Spring
  - Monarch Way Station
    - Planting wildflowers on the hill
    - And a sign for the Monarchs so the community and students knows about the wild flowers growing :)
- Construction Update
  - Dec 5th is still the completion date

## Staff Wish list

- K team
- Grapat Mandala Loose Parts
  - <https://dillydallykids.ca/collections/grapat-wooden-toys> (a variety of pieces to add to our loose parts collection)

- These ones are “off brand” and cheaper \$109.00 plus 22.99 shipping (maybe 2 or 3 sets to share between classes? Or each class gets a set?)
- [https://www.amazon.ca/Mandala-Rainbow-Wooden-Montessori-Materials/dp/B09CDP1ZDG/ref=sr\\_1\\_7?keywords=lilplayground+mandala+loose+p arts&qid=1665503327&s=toys&sr=1-7](https://www.amazon.ca/Mandala-Rainbow-Wooden-Montessori-Materials/dp/B09CDP1ZDG/ref=sr_1_7?keywords=lilplayground+mandala+loose+p arts&qid=1665503327&s=toys&sr=1-7)
- Love the idea of a set for each room.
- Numicons
  - [https://www.google.com/imgres?imgurl=https%3A%2F%2Fm.media-amazon.com%2Fimages%2FI%2F71WoS0aL7aL.jpg&imgrefurl=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.amazon.ca%2FNumicon-Box-80-Shapes%2Fdp%2F0198487274&tbnid=5M01pGDSUbrhAM&vet=12ahUKEwjEwcX\\_y9j6AhXuEGIAHb0RDzYQMygAegUIARDhAQ..i&docid=doF-d0e3HaVT5M&w=2560&h=1566&q=numicons&safe=active&ved=2ahUKEwjEwcX\\_y9j6AhXuEGIAHb0RDzYQMygAegUIARDhAQ](https://www.google.com/imgres?imgurl=https%3A%2F%2Fm.media-amazon.com%2Fimages%2FI%2F71WoS0aL7aL.jpg&imgrefurl=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.amazon.ca%2FNumicon-Box-80-Shapes%2Fdp%2F0198487274&tbnid=5M01pGDSUbrhAM&vet=12ahUKEwjEwcX_y9j6AhXuEGIAHb0RDzYQMygAegUIARDhAQ..i&docid=doF-d0e3HaVT5M&w=2560&h=1566&q=numicons&safe=active&ved=2ahUKEwjEwcX_y9j6AhXuEGIAHb0RDzYQMygAegUIARDhAQ)
  - They are for math. They help to reinforce number combinations (e.g., 8 and 2 is 10, 3 and 4 is 7 etc.)
- Louis Cool and Galt indigenous puppets :  
<https://louisekool.com/products/indigenous-artist-puppets>
- Rakes for Outdoor Learning  
<https://www.scholarschoice.ca/green-bean-shovel-and-rake.html>
- Decodable texts
- Light table so all rooms have one
  - Each classroom needs a set of mirrors to help with sound wall knowledge and formation of sounds

## Primary

- Decodable texts
- Workbook that pairs with Science of Reading
- Letter tiles for Sound Walls and Ufli - Printing, laminating and velcro folders
- Mirrors for all Primary classes for sound walls
- Ufli - another 10-15 books <https://ufli.education.ufl.edu/foundations/>
- Order Info
- Whiteboard sets for classrooms
- Whiteboard markers
- Probability Spinners
- Phonemic Awareness Activity Center
- What's the new word? Kit B
- Rhyming Sounds Phonics Train
- Rhyming Bingo
- CVC Builder

- CVC Word Splash
- Phonics Sentence Math - CVC
- Phonics Magnetic Word Building Digraphs (also long vowel, short vowel)
- Letter stamps
- Mega Book of Instant Word Building Mats
- CVC Magnetic Word Strips
- 2 cordless mics for assemblies
- Juniors
- Class sets of calculators
- - virtual workshops available through the Woodland Cultural Center in Brantford that cover a range of Indigenous topics.

Can we support one academic initiatives and one big ticket item

Or

Can we allocate a certain amount of money for a the primary teachers and the junior teachers and then support one big ticket item

## Event Planning

### Move a Thon

- Local DJ = \$399 - lights, sound systems, lighting, all request musics format
- **January - Thursday, Jan 19th @ 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM**
- Popcorn Machine, bottle water, glow sticks, chips
- Do we charge admission?
  - Sell the tickets ahead of time
- Can we get people to donate for a bake sale?
- 10 Volunteers at all the time
- Julie to check gym capacity
- No outside food or drink

- Put the Food and Drink outside the gym
- Use the front doors
- Bring Indoor shoes

## Silent Auction

- Put together a task force to do a Spring Silent Auction

## Open Forum

Kayla volunteered to go as the LKW School Council rep for WRAPSC

- Maybe a Grant that we could apply for the additional funds - more info coming through WRAPSC
- Jungle Sport - Julie to ask for approvals

Alison provided an update:

- Web Site - There is a school council tab
- Current agenda and current minutes
- Publish the council email alias so that parents can provide input about specific items that we want input from the broader parent community
  - Set-up the survey for parents using Google forum if we have specific questions

Fundraising

Jill emailed big box she will have an update next meeting

Spirit Wear is a go - Rob will be working with the vendor to provide this for the school

Kiki ask about the ice by the before and after care door

Next year this will be fixed - according to information from the Board

**School Council Balance: \$7451.49**

## Next Meeting:

- Follow-up on the items discussed with Lesley - especially the speed enforcement camera

- Julie needs to check gym capacity for the November meeting
- Julie to ask for approvals RE: Jungle Sport
- Vote on the fundraising goals