

LCI School Council Meeting

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Agenda (Tuesday, January 16, 2024)

- 1. Call to Order- Land Acknowledgement
- 2. Review of Agenda approved Claudia
- 3. Approval of Minutes approved Claudia
- 4. Reports:
 - a. Administrator Wayne Pallett
 - Staffing new staff
 Milanda Miller has started her maternity leave. New math teacher stepping in to cover maternity leave.
 New English teacher
 - ii. Ice Scholarships

Innovation, Creativity and Entrepreneur awards. Opens January 22 and closed May 6. Search: Lethbridge School Division Ice Scholarships. Changes are being made to criteria and application process. Prize is a \$1,000 scholarship for individual, team, or club that wins. At least two scholarships will be awarded in each category. (Gr 9-10, 11-12)

Suggestion: To include past projects that were selected in application process. Show Case event will be held March 20, 2024 at Chinook High School.

- iii. Town Hall see following page
- iv. Green & Gold Basketball Tournament Boys and girls were together for the tournament. 16 teams from across the province. Thank you to all the staff involved and 150 volunteer helpers to make the tournament a success. Both LCI teams finished in the top 3.
- b. School Council Chair
 - i. Town Hall Feb 6, Questions to discuss
 - ii. Challenge with School video presentation
 - Accessibility
 - Gym size, assemblies, safety,
 - Washrooms
 - Performing arts centre
 - Lockers, desks,
 - Lunch area to gather

- Tiffany and Claudia will review submissions and compile information to create the video.
- iii. Staff Christmas Appreciation Lunch December
 - Thank you to parents who contributed, amazing decorations, and to Tiffany for organizing everything! Staff really enjoyed the food and the variety of options.

*Missing a box with a gold roll of plastic tablecloth, please contact Claudia

- c. District School Council Jamie Walburger, Shelley Roest
 - i. Parent Learning session was offered by the Off Campus Education Coordinator Andrew Krul. If parents have ideas for future topics please let Division know.
 - ii. There is an opening on Policy Advisory Committee at the Middle School level if anyone is interested.
 - iii. Town Hall is coming up on Feb. 6, Schools will be providing information regarding this.
 - iv. Committee Reports will be attached to the minutes once they are completed and posted to the website.
 - v. There was some follow up discussion and question in regard to the Diversity and Inclusion Parent Table meetings that was held on June 14.
 - vi. There weas discussion/questions regarding the Anti Racism Anti Oppression survey (posted on school division website Community Engagement)
 - vii. Reminder also that Alberta School Council Engagement Grant funds (\$500) should be receive this month and to have those discussion as to how to utilize the funds to best engage parents.
- d. Board Trustee Kristina Larkin
 - i. Calendar for 2024/25 is going to be posted later this month, if there is feedback let Kristina know asap.
 - ii. As part of the Town Hall, strategic planning and budget discussions are coming.
 - iii. Kristina sits on the Wellness and Community Engagement Committees
 - Wellness is looking to promote more action transportation
 - Let Kristina know if you have ideas and feedback on what works well and what doesn't work.
- e. Executive Council Members Robbie Charlebois

Future Meting Dates: Feb 6, Town Hall, March 19, April 16, June 11

Town Hall Questions

Lethbridge School Division will host it's annual Town Hall event on Feb. 6, 2024. Stakeholders will have an opportunity to provide feedback in the following areas.

School Levels

Elementary

- What are the successes of the Elementary school experience in LSD?
- Where can we improve the Elementary school experience in LSD?

Middle School

- What are the successes of the Middle School experience in LSD?
- Where can we improve the Middle School experience in LSD?

High School

- What are the success of the High School experience in LSD?
 - Breadth of options and equipment in those options
 - o Counselling team
 - \circ 8 computer labs at LCI which is extraordinary plus 2 laptop carts
 - o Andrew Krul, work experience, green certification, community connections, RAP,
 - Duel credit programs with U of L and College
 - Scimatics
- Where can we improve the High School experience in LSD?
 - Available technology
 - o Infrastructure
 - o School Sizes

Specific Topics

Learning and the Future of Education

- What should the future of learning and education look like?

Kindergarten and Early Learning

- What can the school division do to make earl learning programs and kindergarten more accessible to parents?

Technology

- What are the positive aspects of using technology in schools?
 - o It is the world students are moving into
 - Learning responsible use

- Can get higher level of engagement for some students ie. Fitness challenges, recording and watching movements,
- Writing and editing diplomas while they write them
- o Students being able to get materials of classes and still keep up
- What are the negative aspects of using technology in schools?
 - Distractions
 - Let "real world" experiences ie dissection on VR vs hands on.
 - Teachers supervising and dealing with student distractions
 - Some with and some without, disparity,
- What suggestions do you have related to technology in schools?
 - Headsets that allow virtual reality is great for exploration and discovery

Governance

- What feedback do you have for the Board of Trustees about how they govern the Division?
 - Grateful for their time and efforts