

Lakeview School Council Meeting Minutes

May 31st, 2022 @ 6:30 pm

1. Welcome and Call to Order/Introductions

In attendance: Mr. Blake (Principal), Ms. McIntee (Vice-Principal), Ms. Gaspic (Lakeview Teacher), Bobbi-Ann Mikolasek (Chair), Jessica Jokanovic (Secretary), Sherry-Lynn Hyde, Monika Malig, Cathy Ireland

2. Purpose of School Council

The purpose of this organization is to provide a forum for communication and cooperation between parents, the community, and the school, as well as to recognize the shared responsibility between home and school to provide the best educational environment possible for Lakeview students.

3. Lakeview School Council:

Chair – Bobbi-Ann Garrett

Secretary – Jessica Jokanovic

Staff Rep – Barb Gaspic

4. Chair's Report

- Currently nothing to report due to disruption in last two school years
- Please feel free to email Bobbi-Ann any questions/concerns via Parent Council email: lakeviewcouncil@hotmail.com
 - Email allows for parent communication
 - Will answer questions or pass on concerns

5. Principal Report - Mr. Blake

Welcome – Mr. Blake's Thoughts

- Although it's been a challenging year, we're ending the year strong with hopes that it will be a return to 'normal' in September.
- Thanks to Bobbi-Ann and Jessica for executive roles

Staffing

- Mr. Blake moving to Oakridge Public School in St. Catharines
- Ms. McIntee moving to Smith Public School in Grimsby
- **New Admin Team 2022-2023**
 - Principal – Ms. Lynn Tisi (coming from Westdale Public School – St. Catharines)

- Vice-Principal – Mr. Owen Dickson (coming from Power Glen Public School – St. Catharines)

Graduation

- Grade 8 graduation will be held in person this year
- **Thursday, June 23rd @ 6:30pm**
- To be held at Mountainview Christian Reformed Church
 - Ideal location, as there is ample parking and air conditioning
 - There is **no limit/tickets** for guests of grads

EQAO

- Has returned for students in grades 3 & 6
- New digital format (all online with multiple choice; drag and drop; short answer)
 - Assistive technology available within digital format including:
 - Built-in accessibility tools such as zoom-in and zoom-out, a text-to-speech reader and a high-contrast view, which are available for **all** students to use during the assessment
 - New features such as built-in calculator; rough notes; etc.
- Students have completed their practice tests
 - Found it 'fun' and 'easy' to complete
- The test will be broken up over a few days
 - Sessions are limited to 15-30mins
 - Entire test is three hours and done over three and a half days
 - Grade 3 students will begin June 6th
 - Will have option to hand-write written component vs online
 - The rest of testing will be online and multiple choice
 - Grade 6 students will begin June 13th
 - All answers will be recorded digitally online

Pride Month at Lakeview/DSBN

- Begins June 1st
- Will notice the new Pride Flag flying at left-hand side of the building (same place as Autism Flag)
- New flag includes Indigenous 2-Spirit representation



School Events/Activities in June

- **June 9th – Ranking Run @2pm**
 - Parents are welcome to attend – PLEASE ARRIVE RIGHT AT 2PM
 - Primary students (K-3) will be walking perimeter of the school
 - Junior/Intermediate (4-8) will be walking a pre-determined route towards the lake
 - Bring \$2 to support or donate online to Team Laker
- **June 10th – P.A. Day** (no school)
 - Teachers will be writing report cards
- June 14th – DSBN Track and Field Meet
 - Lakeview has 21 students who have qualified for the event (the most of any school, as majority of schools send 5-8 students)
- **June 15th – Kindergarten ‘Pop In’ Day – 2:30 – 4:00pm**
 - For current kindergarten parents/guardians only
- June 16th – Special Olympics at DSBN
 - Lakeview is sending 4-5 students
- June 20th – Jr. 3 Pitch Tournament
- June 20th – Gr. 1 End of Year Celebration
- June 21st – Intermediate (7&8) trip to Niagara Falls
- June 22nd – Gr. 3 trip to Balls Falls (rescheduled from June 1st)
- June 23rd – Gr. 4 & 5 students attending Brock U PALS Program
- June 23rd – Grade 8 Graduation @ 6:30pm
- **June 24th – Lakeview Play Day (rain date June 27th)**
 - Grade 7s the opportunity to create activities
 - Grade 6s the opportunity to be team leaders for the day
 - Will have separate activities for Kindergarten students, as there are 100 of them.
- June 28th – Term 2 Report Cards Go Home
- **June 29th – Last Day of School**

Next Year

- New Admin Team – will pass on the following information of hopeful events
 - Return of meet the teacher/open house (2nd week of school approx.)
 - Lion King Musical (pick up from 2020)
 - Pita and Pizza lunches
 - Will pass on the need for current grade ones to go on a trip
 - Already in works – thinking of kicking off the school year with a trip to DSBN Living Campus

Miscellaneous

- Monika expressed that the grade twos had a fantastic time at Safety Village
- In Community News, the new daycare is in early stages of development
 - Sound bite testing (highway noise etc.) completed

- Ground testing completed
- Starting early drawings
- Mrs. Gaspic has nothing specific to add.
 - Commenting on how the students are prepared for EQAO and that they are more excited than nervous
 - Expressed that all staff are doing their very best for year-end trips, as buses are difficult to come by and some trips, like Safety Village arrange transportation for students
 - Grade 3 students were invited to Balls Falls and didn't have to pay for a bus, due to reserve in budget
- Cathy Ireland expressed gratitude to Mr. Blake and Ms. McIntee for providing a wonderful learning environment where her son has flourished after having a negative experience at another school.
- Questions about need for fundraising came up (usually used to offset cost of trips)
 - Due to the pandemic there was a reserve built up that hasn't had to be replenished yet
 - Some ideas for future fundraising include:
 - Holiday Market
 - Previous success where students could make small purchases for various family members
 - The tech budget comes from the school board and is very healthy
 - Play structures are updated as needed and funding comes from the Board and school
- Current black top on Christie side will be moved with new daycare being put in. School will receive new nets/black top for basketball/parking lot for daycare
 - New admin will have to see what is needed as we go
- Thank you to Mr. Blake for firefighter video during pandemic – a highlight for students.

6. Next Meeting Date: September 2022 (hopefully in person!)

Finally, a big thank you to both Mr. Blake and Ms. McIntee; you will be missed!!