

Lincoln Alexander Elementary School

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School Council Meeting April 24, 2024

Attendees: Brandon, Jessica. Amanda, Robin, Shannon, Christine

Principal Report:

Staffing is underway, a week or so ago they were given their assignments for September. Across the board elementary postings are out - no one leaving at Lincoln and no vacancies - stable staffing.

September changes: 3 kindergarten classes to 2. Both will have ECE - 27 students per class.

Teacher / School Improvement: Literacy - last PA they were unpacking the new literacy curriculum. Grade 2 and under teachers were training around literacy screening beginning in the fall - province wide.

Fundraising:

Bix Box greeting card was successful - Good participation. \$1946 in profit to the school. Fundscript Dec 2023 \$749 profit.

Fundraising ideas for next year are needed!

Profits are used for student extra curricular: outdoor improvements, play equipment, school trips, creative play for kindergarten.

\$2700 to spend this year - suggestion was to get a wish list from staff and students. Mr.Berketa will ask staff and their students to provide suggestions and email to the council for voting. Soccer Nets? Blacktop painting?

Popcorn and Pizza funds have been going toward bus costs for field trips.

Booth at open house - Shannon and Jessica will run this.

Communication with Teachers/Principal and Parents/Care Givers. Emails for days of significance have been coming out. Next step is to populate the online calendar for parents/care givers.





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EQAO:

Grade 3 and Grade 6 students, letters coming out this week with date/times. 4 Sessions, 1 hour in length. Math and Language component. Wrapped up by May 31st.

Open House:

May 8th - Dominos will honour our school pricing to service pizza. Notice home to families this friday - paper and email advertising the event. 5pm - 630pm and to sign up for pizza in advance. Pep/Cheese = \$10 (8 slices) Veg = \$12 (8 slices)

Retirements:

Mrs Tadeson and Mrs Modsley end of June

New Bulletin Board in the school:

Instead of just teachers, they are now putting up students too. "Be You, Be Excellent" Staff and Kids are all up on the board now! Activity coming up for all student "What makes you excellent"

Better shape next year for funds next year as we will no longer be in "debt".

Revisiting Pita Pit - looking into other options:

Parent Council Questions / Suggestions

Extra Curricular:

What is available for our students?

Athletics: We do not participate in the interscholastic teams and other schools. Typically grade 7 and 8 only.

Teachers will host things during nutrition breaks. Volleyball, soccer, basketball, free pitch. Library helpers, choir are available now.

Shannon suggested posted daily announcements on the website for parents and care givers.





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Having a sign up sheet for parents/ care givers to fill out a form for if they have a business that the school could do business with in the future. Food days, fundraisers, a business for hire to do things for the school. Survey questions:

What type of food days do you want for our students?

Open House Volunteers 5pm-630pm:

Shannon, Jessica, Amanda

Community Garden Discussion - will talk in more detail later. Perennial plants for the classes to learn and grow, bees, butterflies etc. Rock garden. Matching the curriculum.

