

**Lillian Osborne High School
School Council Meeting
Thursday, December 6, 2012**

School Council Minutes 7:00 - 9:00 pm

In attendance: Janet Hancock, Karen Stewart, Rita Butts, Denise Bjorgan, Harold Hornig, et al

1. Welcome - Karen Stewart 7:02 pm
2. Approval of the December 6, 2012 Meeting Agenda approved by Harold Hornig, seconded by Alex Voloboev
3. Approval of the November 1, 2012, Meeting Minutes approved by George Lee, seconded by Harold Hornig
4. Business Arising from November 1, 2012, meeting
 - Financial Report - Treasurer Denise Bjorgan
 - General Account funds from registration fees added - \$3200. The new balance \$7800
 - A recommended donation of \$1000.00 from School Council for the purchase of food and drinks for seasonal All School Event as well as the purchase of 3 large coffee urns and 2 airpots for use at all other large school events. Motion to approve spending up to \$1500 for Winterfest concessions, 3 urns and 2 airpots. Motion by Harold Hornig -- All in favor
 - Extra proceeds from concessions at Winterfest will go towards a school on the Northside (more information to follow)
5. Winterfest - Christmas/Seasonal Arts/Music Show - Lindsay Levytskyy
 - Refreshments - the committee is currently pricing out items and then purchases will be made.
 - Update - posters up in community and ads in community newspaper. The Learning Centre will be a craft display room with a stage for fine arts performances. In the Grand Staircase another stage will be set up with the main stage in gym with performances at 7:30. There will also be Carolers, Santa, and a Silent Auction. Tickets on sale at school \$6 adults, \$3 students and seniors. Next weekend tickets will also be on sale at Rec centre.
6. Principals Report - Janet Hancock

Diploma results from 2012 - in every area LOHS is average or higher. Chemistry had 51% of students with a standard of excellence.

The Math diploma for 2012/13 year is a brand new exam and the math department is working hard on becoming informed to assist students.

School at LOHS is doing very well right now.

Today, December 6, there was a post-secondary event with about 25 institutions represented. There was a lot of participation from the students in all three grades.

7. Other Items

- School Council Facebook page?? There has been a decline in parent involvement across the School Board. Other School Councils have communication through Facebook and Twitter. Would parents join? What would the purpose of it be? There is already an inundation of information for individuals. We already have Schoolzone. Is there a way to simultaneously use all the forums suggested? Further discussion at next meeting.
- Interscience club - Alex Voloboev There are 20 different kinds of bushes around school, with a variety of grasses. The Osborne Native Plant Garden has 1000 different plants. There are owls, rabbits, etc. attracted and those can help in many subjects. The LOHS website has a link to Interscience page. Also of note, in November George Lee's two daughters received silver medals Duke of Edinburgh Award. The Interscience Cup 2012 awarded for excellence to Jason Butts.

8. Review of the Partners in Education Program from EPSB - Patricia Nieberding (presented by Karen Stewart in Patricia's absence)

Catherine Ripley - Work Around Priority 3: welcoming, respecting, accepting and supporting all students and families. She suggests that parents check out the EPSB website Inclusive Education Tab Bullying Prevention. Also, the EPSB Early Childhood Education Community Information shows the learning needs for a particular area of the city which addresses the future needs of education. What does this mean for students at higher level grades?

The Week of January 9 there is an open information meeting about the Math courses and what is necessary for each student.

Would there be interest in having Stan Bissell from the LOHS Science Department make a presentation?

Adjourned 8:11 pm

NEXT MEETING - FEBRUARY 7, 2013 at 7:00 pm

Parent Association Meeting
Thursday, December 6, 2012 Minutes

Welcome - Harold Hornig 8:12 pm

Update of Financial Statements

- Casino Account \$42,514.86
- Fundraising Account \$150.06

We were rejected on the blinds because of the wording "installation" however we should have said light blocking shades for use of the projectors. We will try to resubmit for approval/amendment for point of clarification.

Discussion of wish list plans for this years funds - Lea MacKenzie

LIBRARY - technology - Dell netbooks and cart and also increase the novel collection

LANGUAGES - Headsets and microphones for second languages program

FINE ARTS - projector for library, cordless microphones, costumes that would stay in the school

YEARBOOK - action camera to improve quality of pictures

ATHLETICS - mirrors for fitness centre

Table the allocation of these expenses to the next meeting

2012-2013 LOHS Fundraising plans - Harold Hornig - currently there is no specific need identified for fundraising money. There is enough money in school council at this time to cover needs to date. Perhaps in the future a piano could be purchased with a piano concert to raise money.

NOTE: A blanket given to us by the bank will be donated for the Winterfest silent auction.

Meeting adjourned 8:33 pm