

Lord Beaverbrook High School – School Council Meeting

Agenda – Tuesday October 15, 2024 at 6:30pm

Meeting held In Person and Online via Microsoft Teams

1. Call To Order

- a. Second LBHS School Council meeting for the 2024/2025 school year

2. Welcome and Introductions

a. Land Acknowledgement

In the spirit of reconciliation, we would like to acknowledge that we live, work and play on the traditional territories of the Blackfoot confederacy, which includes the Siksika, the Piikani, and the Kainai. We also acknowledge the Tsuut'ina and Stoney Nakoda First Nations, the Metis Nation (Region 3), and all people who make their homes in the Treaty 7 region of Southern Alberta.

b. LBHS Procedural Items

All parents/guardians of LBHS students are automatically voting council members; we strive to have meaningful involvement by all members of our school community and to advise and consult with the Principal on matters relating to the school. This creates an opportunity to connect with school administration for a deeper understanding of school events, decisions and future planning. LBHS School Council is not a fundraising entity.

Housekeeping items on-line attendees: please remain muted and only unmute if you have questions or would like to share as part of the discussions; to vote on items this evening, turn your camera on and raise your hand

c. Introduction of guests & Executive Members

Take attendance (names of in-person & on-line attendees)

Trustee – Nancy Close

Principal – David Sparrow

Vice-Principals – Michele Konschuh, Michelle Finley, Jovan Vujinovic

Chair – Brenda P.

Vice-Chair – David J.

Secretary – Kathleen R.

Grade 10 rep – Matthew I.

Grade 11 rep – Vacant

Grade 12 rep – Leane B.

Music Parents Association Rep – Jennifer B.

Key Communications – Brenda P. / Leanne B.

Director-at-Large – Jenn S., Laura B., Jaki S., Shawna A.

Community Representative – Corry P. (two positions vacant)

Volunteer Coordinator - Vacant

d. Verification of quorum

Principal and Chair (or acting representatives) are present, majority of attendees are parents (not school staff)

3. Review of Agenda, including addition of any items (motion to accept)

4. Approval of Last Meeting Minutes (motion to accept)

- a. September 17, 2024 (circulated in advance by email and posted on the school website)
- b. Business arising from minutes

5. Principal's Report

- a. School Year Underway
- b. Extra Curriculars / School Trips
- c. Transportation update – additional bussing resources from City of Calgary?
- d. Wellness Committee
- e. Other

6. Focus Item – Engagement at LBHS

- a. Increase meeting participation/engagement
- b. Fundraising communication for all school groups and trades fee-for-service
- c. School Council Volunteers for Meet & Greet – Student Learning Conferences October 24 5:00 to 8:00pm
- d. ASCE Grant \$500 / Collaboration with feeder schools – rules, parent/guardian surveys

- f. Guest speaker presentation topics canvased to School Council email list October 5 to consider in upcoming parent survey at Student Conferences:
 - LBHS Past Presentations: Social media safety / Teens struggling with alcohol & substance abuse / Parent strategies to support your teen's exam stress & anxiety
 - CBE Past Webinars: Understanding Vaping / Teen Brain Development / Mental Health & Anxiety / Healthy Sexual Development
 - Other topics of interest raised by parents at past LBHS School Council meetings: Pillars of Wellness / Math&Science / English&Social / Trades&Work Experience / Trustee visit / Bullying / Parental support teen learning at home / Healthy living & connecting with others Sports activities / Anxiety & depression / Calgary Regional Consortium / Money management
 - Additional topics from parents this year: Truth & Reconciliation / Guest speaker from First Nations/Metis
 - ASCA Survey: Volunteer Recruitment / Bullying / Mental Health / Advocating to your elected official about school needs / Truth & Reconciliation / Role & Work of School Councils / Cyber Safety/ Social Media

7. Save the Date!

- a. Wednesday October 23 from 7:00 to 8:30pm – Community of School Councils (COSC) meeting, In-person meeting, at CBE Education Centre, 1221 8 Street SW. Free underground parking is available. The parkade entrance is on 12 AVE SW. Link to website to RSVP: <https://cbe.ab.ca/get-involved/school-councils/Pages/meetings.aspx>
- b. Thursday October 24 and Friday October 25 – LBHS Student Learning Conferences
- c. Saturday October 26 – Conference & Resource Fair hosted by Learning Disabilities & ADHD Network (Calgary Region) at The Genesis Centre (7555 Falconridge Blvd NE, Calgary). Offering great practical sessions for parents and teachers, including Executive Functions, Mental Health, ADHD Medication, Math Strategies, IPPs & more. Cost is \$30 (includes free parking and individually boxed lunch). Link for more information and to register: [link for detailed information](#)
- d. Upcoming Post-Secondary Presentations / Open Houses:
(check the October 4 School Messenger for further information and links to register)
 - Wednesday October 16 from 2:00 to 2:30pm – University of Regina @ LBHS East Courtyard
 - Thursday October 17 (morning / students only) – Education Liaison Association of Alberta @ LBHS with recruiters from many post-secondary Alberta schools
 - Friday October 18 and Saturday October 19 from 10:00 – Open House @ SAIT
 - Saturday October 19 from 10:00 to 3pm – Open House @ Mount Royal University and @ University of Alberta
 - Wednesday October 23 from 8:45 to 9:15am – University of Alberta @ LBHS East Courtyard
 - Saturday October 26 from 9:00 to 3:00pm – Open House @ University of Calgary
 - Sunday October 27 from 1:00 to 5:00pm – Scholarship Canada University Fair @ BMO Centre plus a presentation on finding and applying for scholarships at 12:00 noon.
- e. Upcoming Job & Trade Fairs:
 - Wednesday October 30 @ James Fowler
 - Wednesday November 20 @ All Saints
 - Wednesday February 19, 2025 @ Central Memorial
 - Wednesday March 19, 2025 @ Notre Dame

8. Music Parents Rep (Jennifer B)

- a. LBMPA is running a new & exciting Little Caesars fundraiser with many kit options to choose from, including pizza, Italian cheese bread, crazy bread and cookies. Order online via link (also posted on LBHS website main page). Orders Due: October 17 @ 11:45pm and delivered week of November 4.
Link to online order form: [Pizza Kit Order Form](#)
- b. Reminder of upcoming events/concerts:
 - November 1-3 / Vic Lewis Music Festival in Canmore
 - Thursday November 7 / Remembrance Day Ceremony @ LBHS gym
 - Thursday December 5 / Christmas Band Concert @ LBHS gym

9. Grade 12 Parent Rep (Leanne B)

- a. Date for Graduation, Venue and Grad Photos?

10. COSC/ASCA Update

- a. ASCA – Membership application submitted and Principal has approved payment for membership fee
- b. ASCA – Engagement Grant Survey seeking input to help select upcoming speakers and topics. Survey closes October 28 at 12noon. Link to survey: <https://www.albertaschoolcouncils.ca/school-councils/workshops/alberta-school-council-engagement-asce-grant>

11. New Business

12. Elections

All parents/guardians are members of School Council and are eligible to run for any executive position. Nominations with a seconder can be accepted from the floor. Motions are approved with a 70% vote. Motions are made by show of hands.

- a. Vacant positions: Grade 11 Parent Rep., Volunteer Coordinator, Community Members (2 positions) / Other School Council Members (up to 3 students elected by students or appointed by the Principal, representative Acadia Community Association appointed by ACA, representative Acadia Recreation Centre appointed by ARC)

13. Next Meeting of LBHS School Council: Tuesday November 19, 2024 at 6:30pm

Adjourn (motion to adjourn, time)