

Lord Beaverbrook High School – School Council Meeting

Minutes – Tuesday April 21, 2026 at 6:30pm

Meeting held In Person and Online via Microsoft Teams

1. **Call To Order** at 6:30pm
2. **Welcome and Introductions**
 - All parents/guardians of LBHS students are voting members of the Lord Beaverbrook School Council. This is a forum for discussion and decisions pertaining to the school.
 - Amanda S, Amanda FD, Kim B, Andrea S, Jen S, Brenda M, David S, David J, Shawna A (in person); Ibrahim B, Samayullah N (online)
3. **Review of Agenda** - including addition of any items
 - Motion to accept agenda made by David J, seconded by Brenda M, carried.
4. **Approval of Last Meeting Minutes**
 - Motion to accept agenda made by Brenda M, seconded by Amanda FD, carried.
5. **Principal's Report** (David Sparrow)
 - a. Budget
 - i. RAM (resource allocation method) amount on Thursday. Staffing to be determined by May 1st.
 - ii. Hiring to 2184 students (2220 currently on the books); lots of changes can happen between now and September
 - iii. Looking to hire for math/science, ELA/Social studies, PE; Also hiring FT grade 10 transition learning leader to manage IPPS, support plans, etc., along with guidance and other resource teachers
 - iv. Mr. Mussie to be enrichment learning leader, handling all off-site activities (Bamfield, Yukon, sailing, winter trip, other travel); CBE is allowing limited international travel again - Spain coming up, curricular connections to art, social studies, Spanish language
 - v. New EA hired for Communication Sensory Social Integration class
 - b. Academics
 - i. Handful of students doing April diploma exams; AP to come
 - ii. Exam calendar to be out soon - diplomas only - between June 10-23; final summative assessments for grades 10 & 11 complete by June 10
 - iii. Diploma exams to be computer-based only
 - iv. Success in learning days/credit recovery for students invited in by teachers
 - c. Athletics
 - i. Currently running boys & girls rugby, boys soccer, field hockey, badminton (city's ongoing at Bishop O'Byrne, track and field)
 - ii. Werklund provided \$16,000 to purchase jr football team jackets; Werklund may get school involved in social emotional learning project
 - iii. New equipment due to grants - dumbbells, racks; new kiln/exhaust for art; new proofing machine for culinary; embroidery machine
 - d. School life
 - i. Occasional fights; senior assassin ongoing - one water pistol confiscated so far
 - ii. Radium Girls drama production April 21-23

6. Other Reports

- Chair (Andrea Shaw)
 - May need to look at tweaking the School Council Operating Procedures re: fundraising; school to house fundraising money for council, need treasurer; school council website up-to-date
 - Alberta School Council Engagement (ASCE) Grant – ASCA learning opportunities for council, currently have \$1000 (this year and last)
 - Motion to spend \$315 on ASCA school council improvement course (May 4 at 7pm) made by Shawna A, seconded by Amanda FD, carried
 - Use the remainder of the funds to book a speaker next year, to be determined
 - Motion to elect co-volunteer coordinators - Amanda Sullivan, Kim Barr, Amanda Forbes-Desilets - made by Brenda M, seconded by Shawna A, carried.
- Secretary (Jen Smart)
 - Please send your email to LBHSSCsecretary@gmail.com if you want to be added to our mailing list
- Key Communicator (vacant)
 - Andrea to attend Community of School Councils (COSC) meeting on April 22, 2026. Next meeting on June 10, 2026
- Volunteer Coordinators (Kimberly Barr, Amanda Sullivan, Amanda Forbes-Desilets)
 - Bottle drive and FunDrive (Donation drive for Value Village) planned for Saturday May 23; Can accept donations of books, media, household goods, clothes, etc.
 - Hoping to make \$10,000; need 25 volunteers (2 shifts: 8am-12pm and 12-4pm)
 - Connect with Ms. Strickland's leadership students for volunteers
 - Donation of safety vests, set up in teacher parking lot
 - Some pubs holding bottles for donation
 - Motion to approve moving forward with bottle/fun drive for May 23 made by Amanda FD, seconded by Brenda M, carried
 - Future plans to be decided on at the next meeting
 - Could include collecting silent auction items through the summer to have an end of Sept/beginning of Oct parent social night/silent auction
 - Cash for Christmas 50/50 draw
 - Fill your Freezer event in February/March
 - Late May/early June teacher appreciation
 - Questions around how to identify what school groups could benefit from money
- Music Parents Rep (Vacant)
- Grade 12 Parent Rep (Brenda McKenney)

7. Old Business

- Request to get survey results from David S

8. New Business

9. Elections

- Currently open positions: Grade 10 and 11 reps, Key Communicator, Community rep, Student rep – Nominations can be sent to schoolcouncil4LBHS@gmail.com
- Motion to rename Volunteer Coordinator to Fundraising Coordinator/Volunteer Coordinator made by Amanda FD, seconded by Shawna A, carried.

- Positions and Duties document as well as Operating Procedures document to be updated

10. Next Meeting of LBHS School Council: Tuesday, May 19 at 6:30pm – Annual General Meeting including elections

11. Motion to adjourn made by Amanda FD at 8:02pm