

Calvin Park/LCVI School Advisory Council Meeting

Date: Tuesday, January 26th, 2026

Time: 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Present: Lisa Thibeault, Melissa Hudson, Suche James, Margaret Connelly, Yanina Kanevsky, Betty Betts, Shail Patel (student rep), Hannah Kim (student rep), Sarah Boughen, Adam Andrecyk, Laritza, Mark Foster, Bibhian Carabollo, Yousra Tera

1. **Welcome & Land Acknowledgement:** Margaret Connelly
2. **Approval of agenda:** All
3. **Approval of minutes from November 2025 meeting:** All
4. **LCVI Student Report (Hannah & Shail)**
 - **Past events:** Mathilda play, Green & Gold Day, National day of remembrance for violence against women, Robotics, Winter Wonder Week, PJ Day, White Out Blizzard Day, Busker Fest
 - **Upcoming events:** Black history month, Acts of Kindness for the month of February, Ski trip
5. **Teacher Report:** – Sarah Boughen (Calvin Park)
 - Basketball
 - Congrats to Suche on his new role as Principal of Lasalle Secondary School
 - Go Code girl
 - Ski trip – February 26
 - Snow hill – Reminders to students to play respectfully
6. **CP/LCVI Admin Report - Margaret Connelly, Suche James & Adam Andrecyk:**
 - **Key Updates:**
 - Margaret:
 - Go Code girl starting Feb 20th - Queens Engineering opportunity where students will learn hands on coding and engineering. Lunch is provided.
 - The disruption to the exam schedule is very unusual. This hasn't happened since 2019. As of now, the first day of semester 2 will be Tuesday, February 3rd.
 - LCVI students have received their timetables and are encouraged to make an appointment with student services ASAP if they need to make changes
 - For the third year we hosted the First Tech Challenge robotics school event in December. Special thank you to Mr. Wartman and

all the students who came together to ensure this event was successful

- Creative Arts Program – Visual Paradise Exhibition (Jan 16th – 19th) hosted at the Tett Center
- Studio LC Film night Jan 19th
- Choices at 9 applications are closed, decisions will be made and sent out to incoming students in the coming weeks
- Welcome Adam Andrecyk to your new role as Vice Principal
- Feb 4th is LDSB Black History Month Opening Ceremony at LCVI hosted by the BIPOC LCVI Affinity Group.
- Feb 26th Ski trip
- Staff Updates:
 - Term 2 Staffing Update: Challenge teacher Ms. Tang is going on leave and Teacher Frankie Pollock will cover.
 - Farewell to Mr. Bowers who has taught at LCVI for 10 years. He has been one on the leads for the Studio LC program. Congrats to Mr. Bowers on an amazing 30 year teaching career.
 - Ms. Demerling is moving to Frontenac Secondary for semester two.
 - Farewell to Suche James. We will miss you!
- New volunteer hour's initiative for Grade 12's this year. They will be given a certificate based on the number of volunteer hours worked. Bronze, Silver and Gold. The certificates will be presented at graduation
- New safety protocol at CP called the Comet Response. This is called on PA system when there is a student who becomes dysregulated and needs support. The teachers will keep the hallway that the student is in clear; other students will be asked to stay in their classrooms with the door locked. Class visits to explain and answer questions will be happening in the next couple of weeks.
- Term 1 report cards for out to CP students on February 13.
- Semester 1 report cards for LCVI students will be distributed to students on February 13.
- **Adam** – Shared that he is pleased to be at Calvin Park/LCVI. Thank you for the warm welcome.
- **Suche** – Thanked the school council for their support over the last 4.5 years.

7. **Council Updates - Melissa Hudson & Yanina Kanevsky** – none

8. **PIC (Parent Involvement Committee) Update** – Melissa Hudson & Haley Somerville

- Pro Grant – Draft circulated? It's unclear if this has been written up. Hayley may have worked on this, but was not at the meeting tonight. A subcommittee will gather in the coming weeks to finalize and submit this. There is lots of money left.
 - Subcommittee: Sarah W, Betty, Mark, Yanina, Haley, Melissa
 - \$1000 per school, if CP and LCVI do an event together, they could use the \$2000 to host the event.
 - Ideas for the grant are to do a family fun night – open house night with activities for all ages
 - Original date for this event was March 4th, but a new date needs to be considered. Margaret to find a new date.
 - Adam suggested a digital literacy event by the White Hatter. This would be an online presentation for parents.

9. Other Business:

- Pizza order Tuesday for next Tuesday. Parent volunteers needed CP only.
- Next CP newsletter to ask for volunteers – Betty will be the coordinator, Betty and her hubby will volunteer. Newsletter out this weekend. 1st order will be due on the 3rd with delivery on the 10th. Sarah B is available to help if needed.
- Social media follow-up – Hayley? Julia?
- Other

10. Next meeting agenda

- No new items mentioned

Future Meeting Dates:

Monday, February 23rd, 2026

March – no meeting

Monday, April 20th, 2026

Monday, May 25th, 2026