

September 14, 2015

General Meeting of School Council

Called to order at 7:10 pm

Motion to approve agenda made by Cristy Paly, 2nd by Michelle Cuthbertson, AIFC

Last minutes of council were reviewed on screen. Michelle moved, Gladys 2nd, AIFC

Trustee Report given by Trustee Jackie Comeau.

- Discussed on-line payment system. In future would be able to have a wallet where you can keep a balance there for grabbing for small items that come up throughout the year (such as ice cream).
- Guide to Parent Inquiries and Communication Protocol was discussed. Explains chain of command to get voice heard to proper department. With Facebook, Jackie will not engage in conversations. If someone has concerns, use the proper channels - private messages & calls.
- Upcoming Community Engagement will be advertised soon. Watch for it on the PHRD website.
- Board is looking at updating school boundaries as they've been unchanged for 20 years.
- There is a new School Board Chair - Jennifer Tuininga, trustee from Barrhead North and New Vice Chair - Sheri Watson, trustee from Swan Hills. New Assistant Superintendent for Employee Services, Facilities & Transportation - Dave Garbutt.
- Input sent into the finance minister - needs of transportation funds to be improved, opportunities for rural students.
- Beginning of October they will be meeting with Jarvie Community about transfer of Jarvie School building to them. They are also actively looking for interested parties who would like to do something with WR Frose School building or else the division will proceed with the demolition of the building and sale of the site.

Fundraising Report - given by Brandi Wolff - meeting to follow this one. Upcoming events are a bingo fundraiser and soccer tournament concessions. At the meeting, they would like to address how funds should be allocated and what kinds of priorities the school has.

Principal Report - school start up was a lot calmer this year because students knew what to expect. Glitches were associated with Modernization and construction. Darcie gave a summary of construction - where we are at now. She then explained the incident that prompted the email home to parents regarding the piece that fell in the hallway. No-one was harmed, that part of construction is complete.

- SGF report was shared with the attendees.
 - Casino funds \$15 per child still owed to the school. Brandl Bull Sale funds have not been received either.
 - Field trip money incoming is not quite right as Jan just received a Bottle Depot cheque and Operation Education cheque this week.

- Ski trips are co-curricular so we will not ever make money on these.
- Would like soccer tournament concession to help offset the costs associated with co-curricular events
- Explained the costs associated with various team sports
- Pizza sales very valuable - keep pizza by the slice not a meal deal - Gr 6 will distribute to classrooms
- Christmas concert candy bags would like to go to school council / fundraising society as it is time consuming to make the bags up for kids
- Meet the Teacher & Awards night will be cake coffee & juice. We will not have a kitchen so we will have to outsource food. Breakfast & Hot Lunch still has a balance forward.
- The BIG picture this year is that we know the costs going forward & we will try to keep the balances at cost recovery or zeroed out.
- Looked at the Junior High Sports Handbook
- Jason discussed Junior High updates - Parent information night, phone policy, outdoor ed and leadership.
- Jan discussed the new online payment system. Is user friendly but it is acceptable to use the old cheque and cash method if parents prefer.
- Upcoming events:
 - Jump Start Sept 15
 - Magazine Sales Sept 16
 - Sept 18 - 19 Hunter Ed
 - Sept 22 Cross Country Run
 - Sept 24 big day - Terry Fox Run, Robin Nash performance, meet the staff, Junior High Awards, google presentation by Mr Wiks
 - Sept 30 & Oct 6 Goal Setting
 - Soccer tournament Monday Oct 5 for Junior High in Fawcett
 - Oct 8 Elementary Soccer tournament in Busby

Old Business:

Positions need to be filled for Executive

- Gr 4-6 Rep - Michelle Cuthbertson volunteered
- Music Rep - remains vacant
- Sports Rep - Brandi nominated Denise Boulerice, 2nd by Jane, carried
- Hot Lunch Rep - Jan nominated Michelle Cuthbertson for Hot Lunch, 2nd by Kim Sherwood, carried

New Business:

Marie Meyn needs volunteers for after school Christmas Craft day that she would like to head up. There will be a nominal fee for supper & cost of supplies.

Next meeting date - November 19th movie night start at 7. Popcorn & juice boxes sold to students. Michelle will organize.

Discussion about advertising the meeting in the future saying that positions are filled, but please come to join our conversation & get the news here first.

Adjourned at 8:55 PM