
MEETING MINUTES

Attendees

In Attendance: Rhonda Williams, Keri Glowacki, Kate Davis, Tina Feir, Shane Smith, Meagan Shultz, Leia Mehrabi, Kim Vassilioopoulos, Ashley Oakley, Nick Oakley, Carla Shepherd, Marian Forrester, Hayli Stock

Welcome and Introductions

Meeting called to order at 7:19 p.m.

Approval of agenda and previous minutes: All in favour

Welcome

Message from School (Rhonda & Keri)

1. Kindergarten Orientation

- Was a tremendous success, 22 families attending. Before and after school was here, representative for school council was also in attendance
- Ms. Pearson will be teaching Kindergarten again next year
- Looking at staggered entry for next year (as usual)

2. Kindergarten Celebration of Learning

- Went really well, audience members (students) were very respectful and listening to the whole thing
- Artwork was displayed, had a slideshow

3. Transportation – Yellow School Bus

- More students are now eligible for bussing, should register even if you are not sure – easier than registering later to ensure you have a stop

4. Traffic Safety

- Looking at getting some more safety measures around the crosswalks, etc. CBE Transportation has made some recommendations, we have implemented all of them. Next step is sending educational information out to families
- Traffic Safety officer did come out
- Biggest issue is jaywalking and people stopping on the wrong side of the street
- Having all the teachers, EAs out every day helps
- Have asked if they can extend playground zones: no
- Education: send a physical piece of paper home with students in Sept

5. WDS Truth and Reconciliation Commitment 2025-26

- Staff were surveyed about what we did this year: came up with a new commitment for next year: To utilize Indigenous knowledges, languages and teaching methods in classrooms. Classrooms and (Rhona to provide full statement)
- Indigenous drummer is coming in next year to work with all the students, will be looking at the curriculum to see how we can embed this in an authentic way
- Will be posted on website June 20

6. National Indigenous Day – June 21

- Will recognize it on the Monday, June 23
- Will have an assembly in the gym, Ms. May will read a story and then do an activity outside about connection and belonging

7. June 23 Circle Friday on a Monday

- Have been really well received this year by staff and students, provided a good opportunity for connection
- Have learned games, done sit spots, been out on the land, etc
- Looking at how to continue this next year – looking at expanding to other cultures

8. Report Cards – June 25

- Live on PowerSchool, only live until July 25

9. Sports Day – June 26

- Lots of activities for the kids
- Have a backup plan for rain and smoke
- Starting a little bit earlier this year so that Kindergartens can attend this year
- Sign up Genius is up
- Asking kids to wear jerseys, sports wear, etc

10. Grade 6 Farewell – June 20

- Assembly and they will get certificates
- Kids are also doing a movie day at the school

11. Grade 6 Legacy Project

- This year working with Friends of Fish Creek, will add native plants to Nature's Place

12. Alberta School Council Engagement Grant (\$500)

- Invested it into Maker's Space

13. Staffing Updates

- Temporary staff contracts end at the end of June – Ms. Stevenson, Albersan, Quinn, Swan will likely be moving to other school in the fall but this could change
- Two teachers leaving: Kristy Moore is going to Royal Oak. Leslie Barnhart is going to Mindapore School
- Jen Mihan will be filling Grade ½ spot
- Two vacant spots for EES, hoping to have them filled by Monday
- 5 EAs: one is retiring, Miss La Rosa will be staying on

14. New Board Members

- Need to remove Megan Shultz and Tina Feir from executive board, remove signing authority for the bank accounts
- Kate – motion to remove Meagan and Tina from board and add Marian Forrester and Sam Sharpe as executive board members, with signing authority. Seconded by Shane, all in favour.

Parent Council: New Business

1. Volunteering/Sign Up Genius

- A reminder that parents need to sign all their forms online before signing up, and need to have their police clearance.
- Hayli is going to do a label with all the dates of next year's Council meetings, stick it to the agendas

2. Events:

- Muffin Mixer
 - Friday, Sept 19
 - Set up night before
 - Will have to get letters out to businesses to ask for donations
- Halloween Dance
 - Oct 30
 - Shane will book DJ
- Movie Night
 - Jan 30 – but license expires Jan 23

3. Nature's Place/Volunteering/Weeding Bee

- Need some people to weed over the summer – looking for anybody who has time to stop by in the summer this year. Will be new plants from the Grade 6 plants as well.
- The plants closest to the parking lot need the most watering, the other side is more drought resistant
- Friends of Fish Creek: can we make a donation on behalf on the school: Motion to donation \$500 to Friends of Fish Creek Park – all in favour. Have the cheque ready for when they come to the grade 6s on June 25

4. Fundraising Update

- Meagan: has a fundraising binder with all historical information in it: Healthy Hunger, Purdy's, Skip the Depot
- Still needs to pass over the Skip the Depot account, need to share it with a new person
- Skip the Depot \$627.44
- Create a QR code for Skip the Depot, Loveable Labels, Apparel
- Purdy's: largest fundraiser – Carla will take it over
- Apples: Marion – we are on a wait list

5. Financial Update

- \$2,119.38 is going into the account
- Take account to \$13,900
- School Request: Michelle Hume would like \$250 to buy a treat for door holders, all in favour

6. Succession Planning

- Vice Chair: Marion can be Vice Chair next year, all in favour
- Chair: Sam can host meetings but does not have availability to be at a computer all the time

7. Student Voices

- Matthew, Quinny and Ellie: Sanitizer, soap and water fountains: the soap smells really bad and some people are not washing their hands. Ms. Williams will look into the soap.
- Water fountains: one water fountain is the only high water fountain, so it's hard to drink and fill water bottles. Ms. Williams is looking to see about a new water filling stations.
- Students are not flushing toilets.

Meeting adjourned at 8:36, all in favour

Meetings: Next meeting Sept 11 in person

Parent Association Meeting

Meeting Opened 8:37 p.m., all in favour

Potential casino date is December 13 & 14 (to be confirmed by AGLC)

If we can keep these dates the Q4 earnings are good. It is a Saturday and Sunday so hopefully easier to confirm.

- Tina will reach out to AGLC, Casino and Cindy to make sure that they have her new email info. When we get confirmation we will start putting together volunteer lists (main roles 90 days before)
- We can figure everything else out in September

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Council account is sitting at \$30,327.65

Meeting adjourned 8:43 p.m.