

School Council Meeting

Attendance: M. Jones, D. Smithson, B. French, L. Andary, K. Hemstreet, C. Peacock, C. Pizzey, E. Heavin, L. Turner, S. Reinhart, K. McNabb, J. Williams, D. Wolfe

Welcome/Introductions

Additions to the Agenda

- none

Adoption of Minutes

- Motion to approve the minutes by K. Hemstreet, seconded by L. Turner. Carried.

School Trustee - Cathy Peacock

- Cathy was an active member of school councils in the past.
- She enjoys the chance to connect with parents and learn about school communities.
- Cathy expressed her appreciation for staff, parents, and students as they navigate these challenging times.
- In regards to the reporting of Covid cases in school, the school is now able to directly contact students who need to isolate.
- The district has brought forward concerns regarding diploma exams to Alberta Education.
- The district enrollment is down significantly. As funding is based on three year average, this will impact the budget for future years. Reasons for the enrollment decrease includes home schooling, a change in funding for special needs education (especially pre-K programs), and a decrease in international students. As such, the Board will be petitioning Alberta Ed to modify the funding formula next year.
- The federal government grant of 3.9 million has been very helpful to cover the cost of expenses related Covid.
- City-wide School Council is currently limited to one representative per school. The possibility of moving to a virtual meeting is being considered.

School Report - Cam Pizzey

- The new Covid guidelines are welcome. Now if a student has a runny nose or a sore throat, they are required to monitor for 24 hours. If the symptom does not worsen and no additional symptoms appear, the student may return to school.
- The School Result Report has been prepared. The Accountability Survey shows that we have continued to maintain high levels of approval in all areas.
- New directions for the school include Leveled Literacy Intervention, as well Math bags have been provided to each student to encourage hands on learning and provide manipulatives to improve understanding.
- The Results Report will be shared with Council for feedback and comment.

- Remembrance Day will be different this year. A video has been produced with the involvement of every school. The video will be shown on November 5th.
- The virtual Parent Teacher Conferences were successful. A survey was sent to parents and the results were overwhelmingly positive.
- We have been streaming assemblies and events. We are exploring some new equipment that will improve the quality.

Old Business

- None

New Business

- Christmas Concert: This will be done virtually. It will be a combination of musical performances and video clips. We are exploring the possibility of using a production company to compile the video.
- Online Book Fair: - This would help fund books for the library. Parents would shop online and books would be delivered to students' home. The link could also be shared with family members.

Adjournment at 7:45. Motion by B. French. Seconded by D, Smithson. Carried.

Parents of Don Campbell Society

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Treasurer's Report

- Our current budget is \$23, 363.67.
- The Earl's staff appreciation lunch has been paid.

Committee Reports

- Fundraising: We will revisit this in January
- Hot Lunch: Has been running smoothly and is appreciated by parents.

Old Business

- Staff Lunch: It was very well received by staff. They appreciated the treat during a challenging time.

New Business

- Christmas Support for Families:
 - We will have a box available to collect gifts from the Christmas Bureau.
 - We are looking at continuing with the Gift Card Tree to support the Women's Shelter and the Child Advocacy Centre is also an opportunity. Here is a video from the CAC
<https://www.dropbox.com/s/m9hmptmzprwaabq/CACAC%20Atlas%201.2.mp4?dl=0>. B. French motioned we move forward this initiative. Seconded by D. Smithson. Carried.
- Legion Donation: All students will get a poppy from the Legion. We could ask parents for donations or the donation could come from the Council. K. Hemstreet motioned to send a \$250 donation to the Legion. B. French seconded. Carried.

Adjournment at 8:20. Motioned by E. Hillier. Seconded by K. Hemstreet. Carried.

Next Meeting: November 30th at 7pm