

Park Meadows School Council – Nov 16, 2021 Minutes

Meeting held via TEAMS @ 6:30 pm

Link to the meeting:

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Attendance:

Amy Dudley, Andrea Andreachuk, Ashley Crabb, Caylee Rothe, Colleen Hamilton, Heather Farough, Linda McKeith, Sharon Willms-Laing, Phi Jang, Teri Smith, Shane Mann, Jeff Kiefuik

1. Welcome 6:32 called to order

- a. Additions/Changes to Agenda
 - Andrea Andreachuk, School Board Trustee attended on behalf of Christina Larkin, and will be speaking about School Board Trustees
- b. Approval of Minutes from October 19.2021 Meeting – Caylee motioned, Heather Seconded

2. School Events and News – by Colleen, Sharon & Teri

- a. Past events
 - Spirit Assembly-Respect and Responsibility-9am. Next Spirit Assembly is on Belonging and will be on Dec 10. Parents of children receiving awards will be sent TEAMS link
 - Dance a thon dress up day and parade
 - \$14617.60
 - Highlight was pie the adults occurred – was seen through TEAMS
 - There are a few Kinder & EEP kids that still need to throw a pie. This will be done within a week
 - Metis dot art and Rock your Mocks
 - Metis dot art is shown at the front door. Library front windows also has cut outs
 - Division website is a clip about fundraiser & Metis art
 - Donations online – Food drive donations \$90.00
 - Foundation bylaws have been posted
 - Letters by Teri were given to Shane for casino and banking
- b. School Events and News
 - Assurance Plan (used to be 3 Year plan)
 - Will be posted online tomorrow. Will be sent out in the minutes as well

- DLA – developing life long assets.
- Friday mornings – Melanie Morrow – does a learning session about Indigenous culture
- Assurance Plan was presented to Board Executives last week.
- Inclusion – looking at removing barriers that improve for all learners. Create a space where all people matter. Staff working through a book called “Trouble Makers”
- Achievement & Innovation – Teri & Sharon met with all staff. From MiPI data it was noted there was struggles with addition & subtraction. Tools available in the school were provided to support students.
- Teri & Sharon’s goals – developing a school mission. Developing deeper thinking ways – different ways of viewing / thinking of the same topic. Changing physical spaces – such as rearranged the office. Ordered new staff room furniture to be able to sit & eat. Furniture there was from 1982. Paid for by the school out of reserves
- BOOST – grade 2 & 3, and grade 1 update
 - Division does have money to hire new teachers due to covid impact for grade 2-3. Teacher starting on Monday for 16 weeks – shared with another school. Goal is to be intervention programs Mon-Thursday & alternating Fridays. Pulling from grade 2 & 3. 6 groups of 6 students – pull out program / arranged by the same cohorts.
 - Just because a student’s results does not meet criteria doesn’t mean they will / will not receive BOOST program. Data was used in conjunction with teacher’s input. Letters will be sent out Friday / Monday
 - Grade 1 testing will be in January. It is unknown when financial support for teachers to support Grade 1 will arrive.
 - There will be testing again at the end of the year to see if BOOST funding had any difference.
- Park Meadows swag sale on now until November 21.
 - In past it was ordered online through SchoolCash Online. However, this year SchoolCash is adding a surcharge. Considering this and that the vendor has been the same for a few years, it was decided to go with a local Northside Business as a vendor. Orders are through vendor’s site, with no surcharge. On November 21, the online store will close and the vendor will sort orders by teacher, saving administrative time. The swag will be delivered before Christmas break.
 - Teri noted sweatshirts have been bought for staff. This is being extended to School Council executive members in support of acknowledging community.
- Possible Dress up day in December: winter hat day, crazy sock day, red and green day, winter sweater day, pajama day – Exact dates will be on the school calendar
- Informal Christmas concert of some kind.
 - Every class will do a song of some sort, which will be posted / password protected. Done for the last week of school Dec 17.
 - Last year school council helped decorate & asking if will do again – up by Dec 6. If fully vaccinated can do during the week when no one is in (Wed / Thurs). Decorations are available at the school. Caylee & Linda volunteered pending date.
- Professional Student (PS) level 1 students will be practicing – 4 in total in kindergarten, grade 1, 3, and 4.

- Retiring staff member – Cathy Young Pine is retiring in EEP. Last year was in Parker Place. This year is in kindergarten. New staff will be in place for Jan 2022

c. School Board Trustee - Andrea Andreachuk

- Attended on behalf of Christine Larkin who will be the school's contact
- The last board meeting was an organizational meeting. Alisson Purcel became chair & Christine Light the vice chair. Committees were also determined.
- The Board has heard how the lack of health services in Lethbridge is impacting students and families. As such the Board will be writing letters to MLA, Health Minister, and City to advocate for more health services in Lethbridge.
- Next meeting is Nov 23 – live stream at 3:30. At 5pm people can join with concerns.

3. District Council Representative Report -Sharon Rempel was not present to provide an update.

4. Treasure report – Shane

- 1 cheque of \$716.18 came out – Balance in School Council account is \$16,566.12.
- Shane is waiting on Sharon's signature before Foundation bank account can be set up.
- Dance-a-thon funds are in safe waiting for Foundation bank account to be set up.

5. Business for 2022

- none noted

6. Next Meeting – January 18, 2022

- December 14 is Traditionally Christmas social -Cancelled due to Covid

7. Adjourn 7:17pm

Upcoming dates:

November

18 – Admin meeting

19 – TIP Proteges, Report Cards due to Admin, Grade 1 F&P due

26 – Report Card 1 goes "live"

December:

3 – School Staff meeting

4 – Division School Council

9 – Admin committee meeting

17 – Last day of classes for students

18 -Jan 4, 2022 - Holidays