

Park Meadows School Council –Meeting Minutes January 17th 2023
Meeting held via TEAMS and In-person at the school @ 6:30 pm

Link to the meeting:

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_ZDc1ZDY5YjYtMjA1MC00NmI0LTg0NzAtM2FkMGJkMTk4YmZi%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%223c0e8b63-e64e-4c8d-a40f-1d213b670472%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22b6697027-acb3-4682-81db-d836aef38ee9%22%7d

Attendance: Teri S, Sharon WL, Melissa H, Jeff K, Heather F, Laura S, Caylee R, Tina S, Shane M, Phi J, Taylor Felker

1. Welcome

Additions / Changes to Agenda – Change next meeting date on Agenda as there is no school for students that week

Acceptance of Agenda –Heather, 2nd Laura

Approval of Minutes from November 2022 Meeting – Jeff, 2nd Tina

2. School Events and News –

- Teacher report by Taylor Felker
 - Grade 5 Basketball is underway, their first game was against Plaxton school. They will play around 8 games vs various elementary schools.
 - Grade 5 teachers get together for 1 hour every other week for collab time. For social studies the kids will work on an Inquiry Projects on National Parks.
 - Taryn Watson is supporting phonological spelling and reading. Happens for 30min/4 days a week for all Grade 5 students. Based on needs she will pull out kids in small groups for additional help. This will happen until the end of Feb (~5 weeks)
- Ice Storm concert-lots of positive feedback, parents really enjoyed it
- Market Day-was busy, kids had fun, looking at alternating times of the year. Maybe every other year it will be around Christmas alternating with Spring (May)
- Adapted bathroom-School will go under renovations, paid by the division for this. It will be located in the current shower room adjacent to the gym. Will include a change table
- Cost of games on concrete-\$5000 total for the paint, the division will take on ½ the cost and Foundation will cover the other ½
- Support for new benches in the gym-used for PE games such as bench dodgeball, or hosting games with other schools such as basketball. Council/Foundation is asking the division to provide quotes for these benches before decision is made.
- Interest in blanket exercise-letter explaining the event was passed around. With the parents that were present, we have decided to pass at this time.
- Pink Shirt day-Public Image is selling shirts, if purchased by Jan 29 they will arrive at school by Feb 13 in time for Pink Shirt day on Feb 15.
- Logo – leadership shirts-School will be purchasing some for Grade 5 leaders to wear. If there is an event at the school, leaders can wear the shirts and possibly great parents at the door.
- Boost-underway for grade 2,3,4. Dec 12-Feb 16 focused on numeracy. Feb 27-April 28 will focus on literacy
- Genius hour-will run from Feb 10-March 23, options still TBD

- Other items that have arrived
 - Volunteer board-the teachers seemed excited about it. Still looking for ways to get the info going.
 - Mental health capacity building-free from division. Includes topics such as personal choices, wellbeing, and safety for kids. The lessons are engaging and allows kids to practice communication skills. Every class from K-5 will get the opportunity to participate
 - Town Hall-Feb 7 630-830pm at Victoria Park. The questions this year are 1) In what ways are we successfully supporting students to help them grow as learners? 2) Where do you see room for improvement in supporting students as learners? Any volunteers? Need about 4 parents from each elementary school
 - Round table by the Alberta Teachers Association at the Enmax lounge on Jan 19, 430-830pm. Wanting feedback from stakeholders
 - Survey from the division-please fill out
 - Recognition assembly Jan 31

3 Other Business to discuss

- a. **Market Day** -will look into alternating each year on when to have it. Dec and May
- b. **Hot Lunch** -will continue to have the opportunity to purchase hot lunch 2 times a month
- c. **Pot Luck was great (thanks Shane and Angela)** -great to have the opportunity to socialize outside of school setting.
- d. **Looping 2023-2024**-Teri will send out information to parents when available. Some parents oppose it and some are in favor.

4 District Council Representative Report –

- a. Teacher appreciation-council will not participate at this time. Council/Foundation will support teachers at year end with snacks
- b. \$500 from division-how are we spending it? - Sharon will investigate to see if she can find someone to speak about mental health.
- c. School district discussed council having a Lethbridge school district email address

5 Treasure report.

- Now moved to foundation meeting

6 Next Meeting – February 21st -now moved to Feb 28 at 630pm

7 Adjourn- 7:27pm