

Park Meadows School Council Meeting Minutes– Sept 19, 2023

Attendance: Teri, Lindsey, Colleen, Phi, Heather, Laura, Jeff, Tina, Candace, Amy, Krista, Chelsie, Jess

1. Welcome – 6:33pm -introductions

- a. Additions/changes to agenda – No
- b. Acceptance of Agenda – Laura, Tina 2nd
- c. Approval of minutes from May 16th –Heather, Tina 2nd

2. School Events and News-

- Welcome to Lindsey Hagen and Pam-Pam Leahy (new grade 1 teacher), and Susan Esau (Kindergarten)
- First day of school-staggered start-teachers liked it (can focus on less kids for the day and help them get organized), helps with kids who have anxiety issues. Next year will try a different lettering to balance out the classes.
- School assembly-combined with green and blue day (school colours, spirit), the kids and parents got an introduction to the staff
- Welcome back BBQ-good turnout for families to meet the teacher and tour the school. 400 hamburgers and 250 hotdogs, vegetarian and gluten free variety were also offered
- Terry Fox walk/Orange shirt day-Toonies for Terry-combined with treaty 7 day on Friday Sept 22. Kids are encouraged to wear orange shirts. Good for being out in the community. Group A will depart at 9 and Group B at 915. Touch base with your teacher if you would like to join in and walk with your kid(s) around Chinook Lake
- Colleen Parker's Place-Currently there are 9 students, 3 are new this year. These are kids with special needs. They may include occupational therapy, physio therapy, speech, low and high tech devices. Learning how to adapt environment to suite their needs.
- School updates
 - Adapted bathrooms-for kids in wheel chair, made the access through the hall (no longer through the gym)
 - Parking lot-painting of lines and entrance and exit as well. Access a Ride spot will be blocked off with paint so no one will park there. Southland bussing is not suppose to backup. There are 4 wheel chair students. 2 busses and 8 students who ride the bus currently.
 - Classroom lighting-dimable lights were added to all the classrooms. Makes it easier for smart board and other needs

3. Other Business

- Sandy Zam in the learning commons looking for volunteers to help with the book fair. Oct 18- in the evening to help set up. Oct 25-26, to help sell. Oct 27- to help take down. Anyone interested please contact Sandy via email, or connect with her in the learning commons.
- School Council books-please return
- AGM for School Council will be held Oct 17 of 2023
- Preparing for Annual General Meeting-positions to be filled, newsletter write ups..why join parent council? Parent Council Pamphlet?
- Positions
 - Chair
 - Vice Chair
 - Secretary
 - District Council Rep
 - Treasurer-Laura

Think about these positions and if you would like to be apart of one. Teri will put together a slide show presentation at the next meeting

- Dance Fundraiser
 - Date-Tuesday Oct 31, 2023-will discuss at foundation meeting
- Hot lunch-Krista Nygaard to take over and plan hot lunches for the kids. Jess could help out if needed. We will offer it once a month

4. District Council Representative Report-none in Sept

5. Treasurer report

- Moved to foundation meeting

6. Next Meeting-AGM Oct 17, 2023

7. Adjourn-6:58 pm