

# School Community Council and Home and School Association

Aberdeen Composite School

Wednesday December 2, 2020 Meeting conducted on **ZOOM**

**In Attendance (via zoom):** Jodi Levy, Brandi Tomy, Bonnie Doige, Chelsea Baron, Lana Pearson, Rachelle Regier, Barb Hagele, Deane Martin, Grace Wudrick, Kelli White

**1. Meeting called to order at 6:32 pm.**

**2. Roll Call:**

**3. Reviewed Agenda:** Agenda emailed out and reviewed prior to the meeting. Jodi added for Grace Wudrick to share some information to the agenda

**4. Review last meeting minutes:** Brandi read the meeting minutes from the October 21<sup>st</sup> meeting.

**5. Committee Reports:** (presented by Deane)

**School Report:**

-Enrollment and Staffing: 302 students enrolled (including 5 starting January 4)

-Upcoming events: Dec. 10, MADD presentation grades 4,5,6

Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>, PJ, Milk and Cookie day.

Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>, 7-12 Turkey Lunch and Games afternoon.

-Staffing Update, Safe Schools update, School goals and professional development, extra-curricular. (please see school report hand-out for details)

**Family Engagement:** Kelli emailed a document for us to take a look at regarding family engagement (beginning, approaching, weeding, enriched understanding). Kelli added the ideas we had from last meeting into this chart. We discussed how we can reach this big goal?

-Continue to get it out there 'what is family engagement?'

-Accessing all forms of technology. Continue to post notes and articles on social media.

-Ask questions and share what we observe.

-Enriched understanding

-Send out a form asking if any parents are interested in doing a virtual presentation to share their knowledge/experience. If this is frightening to parents perhaps send it in writing to be read aloud to the class.

-The school is preparing for possible level 3 + 4 COVID-19 protocols.

-If it comes to this parent will need to navigate Google Classroom especially for younger grades as the students may need help. A step by step instruction could be sent out or video tutorials are available.

- 'Tell them from Me' (school survey): We have the opportunity to add 2-4 questions to the survey. These questions should relate to family engagement and be worded positively. Ex: How do you share your learning with your family? Send in any question ideas to Deane or Amy.

-In January or February it would be neat to celebrate family engagement with a hashtag on social media. Send in ideas for this if you have. Kelli will ask SLT if they want to lead this.

-Somewhat like the family tree in the entrance we could do a family in motion bulletin board. Show what families are doing at home to stay active (snowmobiling, skating, skiing etc.)

-Jodi read the Reminder:

**Our School Goal:** "Exploring how might improving family engagement impact student learning"

**What is family engagement?** Family engagement, or "parent involvement," can also be defined as the term as "the participation of parents in regular, two-way and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring: that parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning. That parents are encouraged to be part of their child's education in school. That parents are full partners in their child's education and are included, as appropriate, in decision making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child.

### **Financial Report:**

-balance is \$1907.62 (\$100 short because we went over last year)

### **Old Business**

#### **1. Social Media**

-Jamie will continue to make a post on social media when there is information to share.

-Will wait to hear from Kelli if the hashtag is a go.

#### **2. Healthy Hunger Program**

List of restaurants able to deliver to Aberdeen:

-Booster Juice

-Subway

-Boston Pizza

-Dominos

-Pita Pit

- Pizza Hut
- Extreme Pita
- Ringers

### **3. Update from Bonnie on ARC Lunches**

The ARC had not one order in November. It was advertised on Facebook. Perhaps needs more advertising or a pre-order slip sent to each classroom. Lunch ideas were pizza buns & taco in a bag. Friday is homemade pizza at the ARC. Would still like to keep the money local so will try something different like the pre-order idea.

### **4. One Book, One School**

-Charlotte's Web book was on sale for \$2 per book. Jodi made a motion to purchase Charlotte's Web books for a total cost of \$231. All SCC members present were in favor.

-In an effort to not leave out grades 7-12 we could hold a writing contest. Either a short story or a poem and run this over reading week. Prizes for the contest could be \$20 Indigo gift cards.

-Jodi made a motion to purchase four \$20 gift cards from Indigo. Two gift cards for a draw to be entered when a picture of your family reading Charlotte's Web is sent in. Two gift cards for the writing contest prizes. All SCC members present were in favor.

### **5. Wall Decal Replacements**

-High Adhesive Replacement decals are ready for pick-up. Jodi will pick up Friday. We can put these up possibly over Christmas break. Will put them in areas that are harder for decal pickers to reach. Jodi will put it out on WhatsApp when volunteers are needed.

### **New Business**

**1.** Grace Wudrick shared with us what has been going on. Grace Wudrick won a two-way election to represent Division 8, an area that includes Aberdeen, Allan, Colonsay and the Riverview and Lost River Colonies. There were 4 new trustees elected, 2 re-elected and 5 acclaimed.

She has attended meetings and a budget has started to form.

Martensville High is at level 4 (online till January)

Warman High is at level 3 (reduced hybrid approach)

All the rest are currently at level 2 with mandatory masks.

Bernie Howe was returned in a three-way race to represent Subdivision 6, which includes Delisle, Pike Lake, Vanscoy and the Willow Park Colony.

Bonnie Hope was returned to the PSSD board to represent Subdivision 9, the City of Martensville.

New School to be built in Blaine Lake to replace Blaine Lake Composite. School. Construction is expected to be complete in 2023 and is scheduled to begin sometime in 2021.

Clavet Composite, Langham, Delisle Composite, Aberdeen Composite, Hague Elementary and Hepburn schools are receiving upgrades, which is part of the \$25.9 million in stimulus funding for school maintenance projects in 15 communities.

Thank you and congratulations Grace!

2. Tabled for now:

- Fun script
- Recess Guardian Program (blue cross)
- Veggie Program

-Grace mentioned she has 3 tubs of fun night donations in her basement. Could the prizes be used for anything? Online auction was an idea to have a pot of funds for needed items such as mitts and coats. Any items students need so teachers aren't spending their own money.

-Need some more welcome baskets done up. Will plan this in WhatsApp.

**Next Meeting Date:** Wednesday, January 6, 6:30 pm **Meeting Adjourned:** 7:34 pm