

School Community Council Meeting Agenda Monday, April 25, 6:00 p.m., 2022

Meeting conducted @ School Staff Room Meeting called to order at 6:10 p.m. by Shari Chelack

- 1. Roll Call: Amy Orth, Grace Wudrick, Devon Tomolok, Rachel Boyenko, Chelsea Baron, MaryAnn Rempel, Shari Chelack, Carla Beaulac, Rachelle Regier, Jamie Wright
- 2. Absent: Jenny Guest, Harper Doige, Ayanna Kinar
- 3. Review Agenda: Agenda handed out at start of meeting by Shari Chelack
- 4. Review last meetings minutes: Past minutes read by Shari Chelack

# 5. Committee Reports

# a. School Report:

- i. Staffing: Mr. Ohlnoff returned, two new EAs coming;
- ii. 2022/2023 enrollment now at 295;
- iii. Online & home learning kids returning to school next year;
- iv. May 28<sup>th</sup> Grad;
- v. Track & Field starting;
- vi. Marafun in full swing;
- vii. KidsTime Before & After School Program 13 kids interested only, not enough interested. Sense that we don't have enough interest to run the program;
- viii. Preschool program is a go, housed in Room 143, two days a week, year to year contract;
- ix. Fitness room good to go by the end of the year. School has \$8,000 worth of equipment coming in from Flaman Fitness;
- x. Literacy Update 1-3 teachers have been doing lots of work, Mrs. Sheppard has expertise in the area. Gaps now seen in early years; reassessments done;
- xi. Fun Night fundraising total will be available next month;
- xii. School clothing here first week of May;
- xiii. Edsby like Facebook, new management system to manage attendance, announcements, general communication with school;
- xiv. MSS school will communicate with the Ministry and where they store student data; and

xv. Financial Report -\$1,275.53

## b. Financial Report:

-Shari Chelack submitted ~\$101.62 to Crysta for SCC costs to date Indigo x 2 \$50 cards, Fun Night Chocolate Bars ~\$53). \$53 reimbursed to SCC account, covered by Fun Night. - Financial Report -\$1,275.53 left

## c. Division Trustee Report:

- i. 1.1 increase funding for 2022/2023 year;
- ii. Division is concerned whether or not that will be enough;
- iii. PSSD student enrollment 11,929, students returning from online learning;
- iv. Budget for four new teachers;
- v. Increase of \$250k for provincial funding for school facilities, repairs; and
- vi. Blaine Lake new school project.

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Trustee Notes Budget 2022/23	
•	Prairie Spirit's funding from the provincial government will increase by 1.1% for the 2022/23 year, for a total of over \$113 million.
•	This increase does not cover inflationary costs, like gas, utilities and support staff salaries. The Division is concerned about the impact this will have on student learning.
•	The Division's funding is based on a projected enrolment of 11,929 students, an increase of approximately 150 students over last year.
•	Based on Prairie Spirit's projected enrolment increase, the Division has added a budget for four teacher positions to be placed as needs present in September 2022.
•	in terms of school facilities, the Division appreciates the following budget items:
	<ul> <li>An increase of \$250,000 in provincial funding for the maintenance and repair of the Division's school facilities.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Provincial funding for the exciting new school project in Blaine Lake.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>The creation of a new school capital fund which will provide funding for smaller school projects.</li> </ul>
•	The budget announcement included funding for Educational Associate positions throughout the province. The Division expects more information about the guidelines to access this funding in the next few weeks.

#### d. SLT Report:

- i. Meeting has not happened yet, more to report once they meet;
- ii. Pep Rally success, first rally in two and a half years;
- iii. Pancake Breakfast usually at the beginning of the school year, so flipping it into the last part of the year due to Covid;
- iv. Spirit Day for high school in May for points; and

- v. Outside Day Possible ball tournament for high school students, younger kids get track and field day elementary teachers.
- 6. Old SCC Business:

-Stay Safe & Babysitting Course – offered by Regan Crocker, Babysitting Course on May 5<sup>th</sup> yet.

-Welcome Baskets – Update from Jenny Guest, six wraps of cello, Bora insurance & school items, RM brochure, reaching out to the fire department, laundry baskets from dollar store. Ten baskets ready for September, 2022 (budget \$200).

-Fun Night (April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022) – Update from Amy Orth & Grace Wudrick. Success!

-Before & After School Care Program – Update from Amy Orth. Offering summer care as well might pique more interest – Amy to check if this is a possibility, but would need room in school possibly? Possible start September, 2022.

# 7. New SCC Business:

-ARC – questions from Chelsea Baron

Does the school consider the impact of the ARC closing for 1-5-10 years plus. Does the school think the school attendance will drop? School cannot project numbers but can look at trends / consensus over time. Gathering information to take to town office.
 Amy will supply Chelsea the number for Brenda Erikson for further discussion.

- PSSD – looking at ways to garner programs and enrollment. School hockey academy?

# -Playground Committee / Grant Applications – Update from Amy Orth

- Not the purpose of the SCC to talk about playground committee at each meeting.
- Outdoor rink idea, maintenance needed. No sand. New Structures. Natural playground ideas. Brighton obstacle course.
- Grant applications.
- PSSD owns the playground land and the equipment. School owns the football field, both ball diamonds, up to 4<sup>th</sup> avenue. Park & Rec has donated equipment in the past. Parks & Rec may have some money for playground equipment in a reserve. We could talk to the committee or apply.
- Playground Committee needed for grant applications. Amy Orth, Shari Chelack, Rachelle Regier, Chelsea Baron, Carla Beaulac.
- Chelsea to contact Carrie Hounjet regarding Vonda playground equipment and fundraising.
- Amy to send out date for *Playground Committee* to meet.

# -Friday Hotdog Lunches – Update from Amy Orth

- Healthy Hunger, Amy sets pricing as a fundraising for playground equipment.
- Three dates to start with for 2022, vendors deliver to school.
- SCC Request can we offer these lunches weekly, bi-weekly? Note to include both Kindergarten class days if possible.

 Price Point – are there other vendors that are less money or a more affordable option? Could parents come in and cook hotdogs?

-SCC Election / Annual General Meeting May 11<sup>th</sup> – Update from Amy Orth. Amy to schedule and supply a ten minute zoom meeting link for election on May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 p.m. Shari to create the 2021/2022 Annual General Report, Amy to approve/edit/comment/add.

-Preschool in School Location – Update from Amy Orth. Coming fall 2022, Room 143.

-Piano Lessons in School Location – Request from board members to enrich school environment / encourage piano within Aberdeen, especially with ARC possibly closing down. This gives kids an opportunity to learn music in Aberdeen versus driving into the city for lessons. Application needs to be made to the school from Val, Amy to send application to Shari or phone Amy.

-Library Lunch Club – MaryAnn with kids to help, Wednesday at lunch to help shelve books. PSSD does not have librarians, library technicians only.

#### -Welcome Back BBQ & Meet the Teacher

Scavenger Hunt to learn the layout of the school and playground; Meet the Teacher Etsy Template; BBQ Burger/Hotdog Bouncy Castle? September 1<sup>st</sup> on first day of school. SCC committee meets August 25 @ 6:30 p.m. to plan

-"Spring Into Literacy" Reading Week (May 2-6th, 2022) & Scholastic Book Fair – Update from Shari Chelack

#### Monday:

Caterpillar Reading Log

-Send coloured dots home on Monday and bring back with name & the book they've read. Mrs. Colleen Sheppard to help create, distribute, and hang dots for kids.

-All returned "dots" entered in for 2 Indigo \$25 cards (sponsored by SCC, submitted to Crysta) -Decorate the school with the reading caterpillar during the week as they are returned.

#### Tuesday:

SMEA (Saskatchewan Music Education Association) sponsored author & music workshop "How to be a Culturally Intelligent Simple Super Star" with <u>Wilbur Sargunaraj</u> (book) -45 min at 1 p.m.

-Parents to be invited and welcomed to join. Amy/Crysta to send out note to parents with Reading Week poster and Parent Cheat Sheet via PowerSchool.

#### Wednesday:

One Book One School (Books for Engagement)

-104 My Father's Dragon books to ordered and shipped (Grade 1-7)

-Shari entered stickers with following message enclosed in each book:

"In honour of celebrating "Spring Into Literacy" Reading Week, we hope your family enjoys reading this book compliments of the Aberdeen School Community Council".

-Send pictures into the school to post on the SCC board of reading with their families

## Thursday:

Dress As Your Favourite Book Character (i.e. Harry Potter, Paper Bag, etc)

## Friday:

Teacher's Book Pick -3 Items in a Bag -Have each teacher read their favourite book / snip-it of their favourite book to their class

## Parent Book Club Pick

-Rising Strong: How the Ability to Reset Transforms the Way We Live, Love, Parent, and Lead Paperback – April 4 2017 by <u>Brené Brown</u> (Author) (Library has 27 provincial copies) -Copies ordered for last week of April at the community library, parents can pick up to read if they'd like

## **Book Fair:**

Amy to report what's needed for SCC parent support during the book fair. Shari & MaryAnn happy to assist where and when needed!

- 8. Next meeting: May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 p.m. SCC Election & Annual General Meeting
- 9. Meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m. by Amy Orth