

SCC Meeting Minutes - February 27, 2023

Staff Members: Trevor Gerwing (present), Terri Troupe-Logue (absent), Ken Crush (present)

SCC Members: Melissa Braun (present), Chanda Chabot (absent), Pam Constantinoff (absent), Gwen Dyck (absent), Alana Gunsch (present), Melissa Hosegood (present), Brooke Rideout (absent), Beth Usselman (present), Kandice Walker (present), Kim Worona (present)

Community Rep: Karen Kerr (present) **SRC Rep:** Esther Harkness (present)

1. Welcome and call meeting to order at 6:36 pm

2. Adopt Agenda

3. By consensus (please review minutes in advance) adopt minutes from previous meeting Jan 23, 2023 (in drive) – Melissa B motions, Beth seconds

4. Committee Reports

- School Admin: Trevor – Semester 2 underway. Miss Wilkes (5/6) will be here all year as Mrs. Dyck has extended her maternity leave. The ski trip is on Thursday, Trevor will be driving up to have an extra vehicle in case of emergency. Badminton shirts and curling outfits have been ordered. 7/8 have started going to Langham every other day.
- Local Board Member: Ken – Interviews for new director take place next week. Ultimate vision is to have WW Brown in Langham be a K-12 school. There is a workshop in May at Remail Art Centre called “Walking Beside Each Other” by Debbie Pushor w/grad students to focus on parent engagement. It’s expensive (\$587/ea over a couple days) but idea is to have ‘teams’ of local board member/SCC member/principal(admin) to go together and then bring back information for everyone else and perhaps present at spring meeting.
- Financial Report (available in drive for review) - \$1,609.05 balance
- Hot lunch committee: Gwen/Pam – n/a
- SRC report: Esther – hoping that Bruin Buckets generate income for pizza party; would like to do more spirit days. Concerned about bullying, especially in the younger grades. Would like to create a sense of belonging and connection in the school (perhaps through workshop).
- School/Community Sports Facility – Kandice – Running generally every Wednesday, solid group attends. Could we share notice in “Week at a Glance”?
- Events Committee – Kim – next event will be Awards Night
- Welcome/Staff Retention – Beth/Brooke – n/a
- Community Rep – Karen – Letting other groups know the students/school is available to help; will be having a museum supper in April

5. Upcoming Events:

New Business

1. Borden Interagency Quarterly Meeting – Thursday, March 23rd at 7pm. – Melissa and Alana will attend to represent the SCC.
2. RCMP/White Hatter/Internet-Cell Phone/presentation available dates – Sean from RCMP (school rep) can do presentation, just need to pick a date. Ideally present to students and another for parents. White Hatter virtual presentation is \$550. School Safe has free resources, unclear on cost for presentation. Could we record/stream presentation so people not available to attend can watch?
3. Borden Cell Phone Policy – Is it needed? Is it a problem? Would have to consider separate policy for younger/older students. Grade 6 seems to be when students start bringing them. Some teachers implementing ‘bucket’ policy - Leave in the bucket at the front of room before class starts. Doesn’t seem to be large problem with usage, can be implemented in class activities, maybe more concern about amount of time students using screens.
4. SK advocate for children and youth workshop – Speak for Yourself – self-advocacy workshop
5. SEDA workshop and debate club development support – Traveling mentorship program – in school. Speech and debate pilot program – will come to Borden.
6. School community liaison coordinator position – This is a grant funded position in MB. Could RM & Village have funding to go towards?
7. Home Ec – Mandatory for 7/8. Have to have 1 PAA credit for high school. Concerns raised about instructor. No alternative, teaching hours allocated to WWB for our students.

Upcoming SCC Events from Division Office

Spring Assembly: Tuesday, April 25th - 7:00 pm - Location TBD

SCC Elections: Monday, May 1st - Friday, May 12th

6. Next meeting – Monday, March 27, 2023 at 6:30pm (*unless something can be planned with RCMP parent presentation*)

7. Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm

Mission

Borden School Community Council (SCC)'s Mission Statement:

The mission of the Borden School SCC is to promote the learning success and well being of our students in a safe, inclusive, and caring environment through communication and involvement between parents, teachers, administration, and the greater school community.

Goals

To actively seek out and develop standing subcommittees that engage parents and community members in specific projects