

SAC Agenda – November 7th, 2024 at 5:30pm – WES Library

Call to Order – 5:30pm

Attendance – Deb Debrule, Shawna Willson, ASherry Allen, Katana Jestin, Amber Monteath, Robert Weiss, Josie McKenzie, Vaness O’Quinn, Amanada Peace, Sam Tinant, Tori Message, Donnelle Schlachter, Tiffany Schlachter, Sabrina George, Sarah Rhoad

Meeting Minutes taken by Sarah Rhoad.

Treaty Acknowledgement – We honour the many First Nations, Metis and Inuit whose footsteps have marked these lands for centuries. We acknowledge that the land on which we gather is Treaty 6 territory, an ancestral and traditional meeting ground for many indigenous peoples. We honour the presence and contribution of the First Nations, Metis and Inuit people who live, work and learn together in our communities.

Adopt previous meeting minutes – Samantha Tinant motions to adopt.

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Principal’s report (Amber Monteath) – Miss Carnegie will be replacing Mrs Cabral in Grade 1. Terry Fox Fundraiser raised \$5061, the highest amount in the division. Volleyball is happening, mini tourney at the spirit center on Nov 20th, and a tournament on Nov 28th. Mrs Roberts & Miss Johnson are coaching. Running Room Games- Relay at the Butterdome, 8 runners- cuts will be made to make the team. boys and girls 10 runners total and 2 subs. Saturday in March for finals. Grades 5 & 6 . Remembrance day ceremony at 10:45 tomorrow. Progress reports expected Nov 28th for Grades 1-6, kindergarten earlier during their conferences Chattargoan Nov 22 & 26, Skye Nov 22. October recognition for students: over 30 recognized. Purdys- goal \$5000, already \$2500 with \$1000 in sales pending. School clothing on sale. t-shirt \$25 and hoodie \$50, purchase on Powerschool Parent Portal. Grade 4-6 intramurals starting. Christmas concert: grade 1-6 at cats theatre, parents come at 5pm, no earlier. Dec 11- 1L, 2V, 2T, 3A Dec 12- 1CC, 1K, 2D,2/3M, 3K. Dec 18- 4H, 5K, 5/6PW, 6B 6-7:30 Dec 19- 3/4T, 4M, 5R, 6J. French Imm. Xmas Concert Dec 17 10am at WES. Spirit days Nov 29. dress as first letter of name, Dec 13 freaky friday (teachers as students, vice versa), 16th dress teacher as christmas tree. 18th Christmas hat day, Dec 19. ugly sweater, Dec 20. pajama day, then christmas break, school resumes Jan 6. Fall break next week.

Deb Debrule adopts principal report

Trustee’s report (David Truckey) – Dave couldn’t make it. Sherry Allen is speaking in his place. Trustees have had various division meetings and attended both Alberta School Boards Association and Public School Board Association. Meetings with MLAs have been set up and meetings with municipalities have been arranged. Bus fly-bys are a very big concern, with a few convictions. Having stickers made for awareness. Talking about provincial level advocating (ie billboards). Asking parents to talk about risk factors, and hope that it reaches people and they think twice when the lights are on and the stop sign is out. Superintendent and board evaluations are currently underway. External evaluator helping. Board meeting reports from the communications dept. ‘Safe Arrival’ being implemented in the

schools. Division website updated with board meeting minutes. Policy 30-A place for all, passed board vote. This is an inclusivity policy, which may need to be changed as government policy changes- available on the division website. Introduced AP40-26 Employee Cell Phone Use, staff modelling behaviour expected of the children in school.

Trustee Report adopted by Katana Jestin.

Cookie Dough Fundraiser Update – Orders have been sent in and cookie dough will be delivered the third week of November, was a very productive fundraiser. \$6856 total profit. 26 product left to sell, will wait to see if there is issues with the order, and then look to use or sell (bake sale, employee appreciation, ect)

Gaga Pit Update – RF Staples Construction class will be able to construct the octagonal wooden portion of the pits, Pembina Hills will do the groundwork for both pits, and we have mats on hold from Cassandra Horinek for a cost of \$4500.00 which will cover both pits. So far we have secured \$3,000 from the Rotary, and the cookie dough money, and an application has been sent to WREA for \$500.00. More verbal updates at the meeting. Cookie dough covers the mats and will need to just have Windsor quote the wood. Naming rights are available with a donation.

Friends of WES report – Ratify the decision of donating \$ towards reading month activities (dunk tank)

general account \$9661.66

playground \$2634.01

\$422.73 national indigenous days

\$500 parent engagement ASCE Grant

casino \$19735.19

Food Handling Certificate – Our hot lunches are always a big success, and we should cover ourselves by having someone with a food handling certificate. Vanessa O’Quinn has shown interest in completing the course, and have the fee covered by Parent Council

Previous food handling permit expired 2021.

Lu from public health comes twice a year, and the kitchen passed inspection. She is aware of how the parent volunteers run the hot lunch, no concerns have been noted. Food safety courses available online. \$25 for the day course? Will confirm. Vanessa is still interested. Once we have the price we can make a motion and have Vanessa complete the course.

Motion is still open for purchasing new griddles \$100 was available. Vanessa will purchase.

ASCE grant is \$500, very specific on what it can be spent on. Can not on food or other items, must be on the speaker themselves. Bring in a speaker to talk about inclusiveness/ bullying. Address lower elementary and upper elementary separately. And have them speak to teachers on how to handle this in class, and have them speak to parents. 4 separate meetings/presentations. Where does the money come from? ASCE would be able to offer suggestions for speakers. ASCE has a list of courses that you can access and use for the Parent Council. Tiffany is willing to do the footwork and find the right person for the job, maybe put it on the table in spring, after the busyness of Christmas but before seeding. Doesn't believe the money can be rolled over. May roll over 1 year, talk to Heather Nanninga, division treasurer. Pink shirt day is in February, integrate it then. Parents will need to have a separate meeting as per ASCE guidelines. Donuts and coffee to entice parents to come. Stream it/zoom it so we can reach more people. Would not interfere with planned activities for pink shirt day. Will need to motion on the speaker once one is found. Soul Sisters may know someone who could speak. Can casino funds be used for this? Unsure, will need to call. Edmonton Elks player, George LaRoque, ect. Tiffany will look into it.

Next meeting – January 16th, 2024 at 5:30pm

Meeting Adjourned - 6:13pm