

School Council Meeting

May 12, 2016

In attendance: Lori Bell, Lorrie Hafermehl, Koren Warford, Sheila Albertson, Lynn Shabada, Terry Slemko, Kerry Fegyverneki, Karen Seinen, Andrea Kohut (9)

1. Call to Order: Called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Sheila.
2. Additions/Deletions: Sheila added Playground Beautification and Levels of Recognition under New Business.
3. Adoption of Agenda: **Andrea moves to accept the agenda as amended. Koren seconds. All in favour. Carried.**
4. Minutes: **Koren moves to accept the minutes as posted. Karen seconds. All in favour. Carried.**

5. Reports:

a) Administrative's Report:

i. 2016-17 Enrolment, Staffing and Budget

The projected enrolment for September is a decrease of 30 students at Onoway Elementary. Northern Gateway is predicting a 4.7% decrease in enrolment across the division. Fewer students across the division, will result in less funding per child. Onoway Elementary School has planned to reduce the teaching staff by 1.95 FTE and the support staff by 1.0 FTE. Currently, Tarra Modien and Jenny Blount are on a probationary contract and will not be retained for the fall. The office staff, educational assistants and the librarian will have fewer days next year.

ii. Grade 7 Programming

The school division is planning for consistency and uniformity in grade 7, across the elementary schools in the east end of the division. Rich Valley, Darwell, Grasmere and Onoway Elementary Schools are working together to plan school events for grade 7's to give them an opportunity to get to know students from other communities before beginning grade 8 together. In addition, the grade 7 students from these schools will come together 3 times a year to complete a week of Career and Technology Foundation options. Band and French will no longer be offered at Onoway Elementary in grade 7, and will begin in grade 8 at Onoway High School.

b) Treasurer's Report

Previous Balance: \$18,915.86

Current Balance: \$25,345.90

Deposits	Expenditures
\$129.75 Family Fun Night	\$646.46 Spell-a-thon Prizes

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\$9226.60 Spell-a-thon	\$38.51 Bank Service Charges
\$571.50 OES Playground Beautification	\$2,812.84 Monthly Meals
Total Deposits: \$9,927.85	Total Expenditures \$3,497.81

\$25,345.90 Balance – Budget Allocations = \$2,364.01 Available Funds

Andrea moves to accept the treasurer’s report as presented. Lori seconds. All in favour. Carried.

c) Fundraising Report:

i. School Supply Service – Write On Stationary

The classroom teachers have reviewed the school supply lists for each grade and they have been submitted to Lynn for approval. Write-On Stationary will photocopy the lists and send out the order forms before the end of the current school year. On the first day of school in the fall, all supply orders placed with Write-On Stationary will be at the school and delivered to the students.

ii. Spell-a-thon

The spell-a-thon raised \$9,226.60 this year, and so far \$646.00 has been spent on prizes. The student in each class who raised the most money, won a \$10.00 Landmark Theatre or iTunes gift card and the top raiser for the whole school collected \$1,200.00 and won a mini iPad. An ice cream party was awarded to 5Y for the class that raised the most money. We would like to give a big thank you to all of the volunteers that assisted with the spell-a-thon and hot dog lunch this year. Starting next year, School Council will keep half of the funds raised and the other half will be donated to classroom accounts.

iii. Fall Fundraiser

Sheila moves that we do the La Montagne catalogue fundraiser in the fall and use the profits for playground beautification. Andrea seconds. All in favour. Carried.

d) Trustee Report:

- Northern Gateway School Division welcomes students that have been evacuated from Fort McMurray. Currently, NGPS has 15 students across the division from Fort McMurray.
- The school board has approved a \$60.00 school fee for students across the division.

- An early retirement incentive has been implemented for NGPS staff.
- NGPS announced that John Lobo accepted the position as principal of Onoway Junior/Senior High School.
- On Saturday, May 28 there will be an open house at Onoway High School, where the public will have an opportunity to tour the school, purchase items up for sale, and a book of murals will be available for purchase.
- The new OHS is on schedule and will be completed by July 18. At the end of May, the west wing of OHS will be prepared to be demolished and the rest of the school will be taken down after the current school year has ended.

6. Old Business:

a) Monthly Meal

There are two monthly meals scheduled for May and in June we will have a hot dog lunch on Sports Day, supplied by Pembina Pipelines. If you are able to assist with serving the hot dogs on June 3, please contact Andrea.

Andrea moves to purchase Dilly Bars for the students and staff for the last day of school and maintain a \$1000.00 in the hot lunch account. Koren seconds. All in Favour. Carried.

b) Bus Driver and Custodian Appreciation

The bus driver and custodian appreciation was held on May 11 with refreshments and thank you cards.

c) Staff appreciation

Parent volunteers prepared and served breakfast before school on May 3 to the OES staff.

d) By-Law Review Meeting

The by-law review meeting will be held in the conference room at 5:00 p.m. prior to the June meeting, and is open to school council members.

e) Sports Day

The construction of the new high school has limited the space available for Sports Day, so some alterations will be made again for this year. On Friday, June 3, Grades 5-7 will take part in sports day activities in the morning and grades 1-4 will participate in the afternoon. Pembina Pipeline is supplying a hot dog lunch that day to students and staff. Parent volunteers will be coming around to each classroom to sell chips, water and pop for \$1.00 each. If you are interested in assisting with the concession, volunteers are still required.

7. New Business

a) Volunteer form – tabled to next meeting

b) Playground Beautification

Sheila moves to contribute \$13,200.00 to the school for playground beautification on the division one playground. Koren seconds. All in favour. Carried.

c) Levels of Recognition

All grant money received by School Council will be recognized publicly as stipulated by the individual grant.

Sheila moves to remove levels of recognition from the yearly budget. Koren seconds. All in favour. Carried.

d) June Meeting

Sheila moves to change the date of the June meeting to June 16 at 6:00 p.m. Andrea seconds. All in favour. Carried.

Correspondence: None was presented.

Adjournment : **Sheila moves to adjourn the meeting at 9:05p.m. Andrea seconds. All in favour. Carried.**