

School Council Meeting

May 11, 2017

In attendance: Karen Seinen, Kerry Fegyverneki, Jody Beck, Stephanie Damery, Pam Lyttle, Lorrie Hafermehl, Terry Slemko, Laura Harrison, Angela Lal (9)

1. Called to order: Called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Sheila.
2. Additions/Deletions: Jody added Reporting Process under Administration Report.
3. Adoption of Agenda: **Sheila moves to accept the agenda as amended. Karen seconds. All in favour. Carried.**
4. Minutes: **Laura moves to accept the minutes as posted. Pam seconds. All in favour. Carried.**
5. Reports:
 - a) Administrator's Report:
 - i) Playground Beautification
Administration will consult with Art Beaudry to have students from the high school create flower garden boxes for our playground. Maintenance is increasing the drainage on the division one playground and will evaluate if a rock border can be created along the garden area. The grade 7 safe and caring group will be working along with Kate Habke to create proposals for the playground area.
 - ii) School Fees
The provincial government has introduced Bill 1 which eliminates basic school fees. Schools will still have the option to charge for school fieldtrips, school clubs, intramurals, swimming lessons, skating, CTF, etc.
 - iii) School supplies – Write-on Stationary
The school will again be using Write-On Stationary as an option to provide students with school supplies for September. Order forms will be emailed out before the end of the current school year and supplies will arrive by the first day of school in the fall. Some items such as Kleenex and plastic spoons will now be part of the school budget and no longer included on the student supply lists.
 - iv) Reporting Process
Next year it is mandated that all schools in NGPS use Power Teacher Pro to report student progress. On June 6, a representative from NGPS will give an overview to staff and Brian Fehr will be at the school on June 7 to offer tech support. Parents will be given an overview at the School Council meeting on June 22 and all parents are welcome to attend. Schools will continue to provide parent teacher interviews and parents will also be able to log on to their parent portal at anytime to find out how their child is doing on their educational journey. Teachers will also continue to use other communication methods such as: Remind, Twitter, eTeacher, email, etc. to communicate student progress with parents.
 - b) Trustee Report
 - The Hillside Band will be performing at the PSBAA Spring Conference

- The OHS Band will be performing at the ASBA Spring Conference
- Motion to reduce the Board Membership from 9 to 7 was defeated.
- Money has been set aside to purchase land at Valleyview for a new school build.
- A motion was passed to commence Board meetings at 5 p.m. beginning August 1, 2017.
- A Memorandum of Agreement was signed between the Teachers' Bargaining Association and the Alberta Teachers Associations. A vote will be taken by both parties in May.
- The school board continues to put together finances for the construction of a new track – around \$750,000.
- Nomination day for School trustees is September 18 and municipal/school trustee election is October 16.
- The board is discussing the school bus transportation system. Considering if they would save money by contracting out all bus routes as opposed to the blended system they currently have.

c) Treasurer's Report

i) Monthly Treasurer's report

Previous Balance: \$18,864.20

Current Balance: \$20,720.07

April Deposits	April Expenditures
\$1,601.20 Monthly Meals	\$69.56 Bank Service Charges
\$2,780.00 Spell-a-thon	\$1,584.44 Monthly Meals
	\$734.70 Spell-a-thon
	\$52.50 FCSS
	\$84.13 School Council Expenses
Total Deposits: \$4,381.20	Total Expenditures: \$2,525.33

Current Balance \$20,720.07 – Allocated Funds \$19,479.17 = \$1,240.90 Available Funds

Angela moves to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Karen seconds. All in favour. Carried.

d) Onway Parents Educational Fundraising Association

- i) Fundraising Event – no report given.
- ii) School Supplies – no report given.
- iii) Spell-a-thon

The total amount raised for spell-a-thon was \$2,991.00. Carter Babcock in 2M was the iPad winner and he raised \$205.00. The sundae party was awarded to 1K for raising the most money.

iv) Grant Writing – no report given.

v) Monthly Meal – no report given.

vi) Spirit Wear – no report given.

vii) Family Dance

The pictures from the photo booth at the dance were on display on the TV in the main hallway. Thank you to FCSS for providing the funds for OES to host the family dance.

e) School Council Business

i) Bus Driver and Custodian Appreciation

Jody D. is working with parent and grade seven volunteers to hand out cards and goodies on May 23 to bus drivers and custodians.

ii) Staff Appreciation

School Council received a card from staff in appreciation for the breakfast that Mina and several volunteers prepared on May 8.

iii) Safe and Caring

Three ten dollar gift cards will be awarded to each grade at the May assembly as the final prize for the safe and caring draw. Beginning in September, safe and caring draw winners will be able to choose from a wider assortment of prizes, rather than from prizes selected for specific grades.

iv) Parent Workshops

Administration is applying for a grant in a joint endeavor to assist with a workshop in October.

v) Grade 7 Service Award

Applications are due by the end of May and the committee will meet on June 5 to select the service award winner.

vi) Tarmac Painting

A decision about tarmac painting will be made at the June meeting.

vii) Terry Fox Run

The Terry Fox Run will be held on September 28, 2017.

viii) New Beginnings Social – no report given.

ix) Winter Carnival – no report given.

x) Sports Day

Sports Day will be held on June 1. Staff is working along with grade seven students to plan the events for the day. Pembina Pipelines will be donating a hot dog for each student.

6) New Business

a) Executive Elections

Executive elections will be held at our next meeting on June 22. Teachers will email out a nomination form to parents prior to the meeting. The final meeting of the year will be a potluck and begin at 6:00 p.m. All parents are welcome to attend.

7) Correspondence

No correspondence was presented.

8) Adjournment: **Sheila moves to adjourn the meeting at 8:53 pm. Karen seconds. All in favour. Carried.**