

School Council Meeting

April 23, 2018

In attendance: Kerry Fegyverneki, Kim Smith, Sheila Albertson, Julianna Merritt, Sarah Healy, Jody Beck, Karen Seinen, Loesha Eastman, Laura Harrison, Justin Harrison (10)

1. Called to order: Called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Sheila.
2. Additions/Deletions: None were presented.
3. Adoption of Agenda: **Julianna moves to accept the agenda as presented. Karen seconds. All in favour. Carried.**
4. Minutes: **Laura moves to accept the minutes as posted. Julianna seconds. All in favour. Carried.**
5. Reports:
 - a. Administrator's Report:
 - i) Budget 18/19
NGPS is projecting a decrease in enrolment across the jurisdiction and the per pupil funding will go down slightly. At OES, the first priority will be to maintain staffing levels for next year. There may be an increase in transportation costs for field trips or extracurricular activities.
 - ii) Outdoor Classroom
The students in 6F have finished the design for the outdoor classroom and staff will review it and open the project up for bids. Staff is hopeful that the outdoor classroom would be completed and ready for September 2018.
 - iii) Upcoming Events
There will be a one hour showcase culminating all three CTF weeks on May 24 from 2:00-3:00 p.m. This showcase will be student led and other grades will be given the opportunity to view the displays as well. The Parent Appreciation Tea is being organized by the Community Connections Group of grade 7 students and will take place on May 16. The tea will be held in the Learning Commons and will involve a student musical performance. On Monday, May 7, Choir members will be performing in Whitecourt at Music Monday. The Spring Fling will be held on June 6. OES students will be given the opportunity to watch the two plays and a musical showcase during the school day and then parents and family can also attend the evening performance at 7:00 p.m. There will be a Professional Development day on May 17 for teachers to present to the entire staff about the numeracy skills they learned at a recent workshop. Sports Day will be held on Thursday, May 31.

b. Trustee Report

- As part of the regular cyclical review of policies, the Board reviewed and amended several policies.
- The Board approved in principle the proposal for the Fox Creek/Iceland Exchange so that planning can commence.
- Trustee School Tours focusing on infrastructure needs were finalized with the Board touring the Fox Creek, Valleyview, and colony schools.
- The Board attended the NGPS 3 Year Education planning session at division office on March 20, 2018 with division staff, principals and vice principals.
- The Board had a presentation on the caribou range by Ray Hilts, Director for Alberta Forest Alliance.
- The 2018 Northern Gateway Edwin Parr Award recipient is Marina Dehek, a teacher at Grasmere School. Congratulations Marina!
- The Family of School Councils Meeting to be held at Hilltop High School on Tuesday, April 24 is cancelled.
- The Board approved the 2019-2022 Capital Plan.
- The Board will approve the 2019 budget in May.

c. Treasurer's Report –no report given.

d. Fundraising Report

i) Fundraising Event

A reminder about ticket sales will be posted on social media. Karen volunteered to sell tickets at the Spring Fling. Sheila will organize a meeting to discuss other possible ticket sale dates and the possibility of selling tickets at various other locations. We currently have only sold approximately 100 tickets.

ii) School Supplies – no report given

iii) Grant Writing – no report given.

iv) Monthly Meal – no report given

v) Spirit Wear – no report given.

e. School Council Business

i) Bus Driver and Custodian Appreciation

Jodi has sent out invitations to the bus drivers and custodians. The event will take place at Onoway High School at 9:15 a.m. on May 16. Jodi is looking for some jokes from students or favourite bus driver stories to be submitted by students to share that day.

ii) Staff Appreciation – no report given.

iii) Safe and Caring – no report given.

iv) Parent Workshops –no report given.

v) Grade 7 Service Award

A meeting with committee members will take place to finalize the changes to the application. The changes will be submitted to the office and applications will be available for students the first week of May and due back by June 1.

vi) Tarmac Painting – no report given.

vii) Terry Fox –no report given.

viii) New Beginnings Social

The New Beginnings Social will take place on the first day of school and will include refreshments.

ix) Sports Day – May 31

Sports Day will be held on Thursday, May 31. Pembina Pipelines will provide each student and staff member with a hot dog that day. School Council will look after the concession. We are looking for someone to head the committee for Sports Day and an email will be sent out to request volunteers for the day.

Sheila moves to expend up to \$150.00 to buy freezies to give to students on the last day of school. Julianna seconds. All in favour. Carried.

6) New Business

i) Creative Community Connections Day

The day went very well and was a huge success. A big thank you to the over 40 volunteers that came out to assist for the day!

ii) Cross Country Skis

Looking for a volunteer to inventory the skis and ski boots and assess to see if there needs to be repairs, replacements or additional inventory. Also require someone to check in to see when the skis need to be waxed and the cost.

7) Correspondence

No correspondence was presented.

8) Adjournment: Sheila moves to adjourn the meeting at 8:11 p.m. Julianna seconds. All in favour. Carried.