



Meadow Ridge School Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, Mar 17, 2021

In attendance: Karrie Grummett, Nicole Brockhoff, Sarah Lynch, Bryce Godenir, Kristi Lundquist, Shannon Gosse, Kumi Wright, Anthony Rider

Administration: Sharon Nichols, Lisa Penzo, Brad Skeet, Rebecca Forchuk, Drew Chipman, Chirs Fuzessy

Meeting called to order: 7:01.

Welcome and Introductions

Still looking for parents to fill the roles of Vice Chair and Secretary

Approval of agenda

Motion to approve minutes by Connie. Second by Nicole B.

Approval of minutes from previous meeting

Motion to approve November minutes by Kristi. Second by Connie.

Motion to approve February minutes by Bryce. Second by Connie

Chris Fuzessy (Superintendent) - Planning Forward

- Discussed the engagement
- Overcrowding is a good sign that the area is developing
- Where does overcrowding constitute
- Possible K-9 school to come in D'Arcy Development in coming years, it is a higher priority than a new High School.
- Drew Chipman - # of things looked at when determining the capacity of student body
- Gymnasium included in capacity formula
- Karrie Grummett - asked why only grade 8 class is utilizing the space; could the space be used for a rotation of junior high students.
 - Connie Drake - is the formula based on Cubic sq footage or linear?
 - Drew Chipman - explained that modulars are not approved unless utilization rate is 95% or higher.



- all modulars are the provinces property and when schools no longer need the modular, they are distributed to other areas of the province.

- Chris F. - projections for 2022-2023 school year show an overall decline of 15 students in the total student population
 - Possible option to repurpose the Learning Commons space by installing DIRT walls to create two additional semi-permanent classrooms spaces; no code restrictions
- Kristi Lundquist - struggles with the amount of wasted space in the school. Understands C19 has put a challenge in the plans to utilize the open space. Every student deserves to have a home room. Glad a public engagement is being done. Parents haven't been there and perhaps don't understand how the school is operating right now.
 - Chris Fusezzy - there was collaboration around what the school would look like and he wanted to clarify that the information about conducting classrooms in the open spaces.
- Sarah Larsen - semi-permanent classrooms - will we lose the library? If classrooms are taking over the library, that sucks for primary. What happens when we reach the 95%, where are we going to put those kids?
 - Chris only half the space, there would still be
 - 781 is max capacity,
 - K-9 in D'Arcy in 10-12 years,
- Chris - irony of opening up consultations; could have bussing of students from areas that a school is visible.
- Drew Chipman - inclusive ed students count for 3 students
- land dedicated to D'arcy and Tillington for new school.
- Sarah Larsen - asked about sharing fields with high school
 - High school site was announced prior to MRS being built; soccer fields will not be shared
- Kristi L - new high school...what about parking
 - Drew - working with Town and Alberta infrastructure to ensure adequate parking is achieved. Actually doing a transportation study.
 - Rebecca - MRS is a closed campus so kids aren't allowed to leave the school.
- Chirs contact email shared with parents
 - fuzessyc@fsd38.ab.ca
- Crystal Krauss - how long does boundary changes take place
 - Drew - very detailed process and has to be done by April 1st. Need the public consultation process. start by November as it's a 6 month process.



Updates – Lisa Penzo, Board Trustee for the Foothills School Division

- Discussed updates from the Board (attached)

Updates - Principal / Vice-Principal Report

- Rebecca - thanked Council and Fundraising for the staff appreciation lunch in February.
- Basketball won a banner as well.
- CPIP Grant - 5000 for MicroSociety
- Numeracy Grant - 5000 blending online resources to support differentiation
- Read-A-Thon and Jump Rope assembly March 21
- Pep Rally March 25th to acknowledge sports teams, raising volleyball and basketball banners
- Grade 9 transitions and course selections
- Student Led Conferences April 12/13 - will offer both
- Meet with teacher or student led - preference is to meet with teacher
- Plan an open house with help from the MRSFS to get parent engagement
- Kristi - torn on the survey, having an open house will be great so students can show what they are working on.
- It would be nice for parents to see the school prior to the community engagement so they can see the school before answering questions in an engagement.

April Meeting moved from April 21 to April 28, 2022

Meeting Adjourned at 8:26 PM