



Meadow Ridge School Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, Sept 22, 2022

In attendance: Bryce Godenir, Sarah Larsen, Kristi Lundquist, Shannon Gosse, Connie Drake, Kumi Wright, Kristi Nutter

Administration: Lisa Penzo, Brad Skeet, Rebecca Forchuk

Meeting called to order: 7:21.

Welcome and Introductions

Still looking for parents to fill the roles of Secretary

Approval of agenda

Motion to approve minutes by Connie. Second by Rebecca.

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Bryce gave a summary of the Parent council executive roles and that every parent that has children in the school is automatically a member of the Parent Council and has the same voting rights as any of the executive members.

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

- Policy Review Board policies are developed to highlight and support the governance function of the Board and are reviewed on a regular basis. Trustees approved the final reading of Policy 10 – Role of the Superintendent.
- Staff Team Opening Day Celebrations On Wednesday August 31, 2022 the Board of Trustees in partnership with the Division's Executive Team welcomed the entire staff of Foothills School Division to the 2022-2023 school year. The Board extends its gratitude to those who helped organize this excellent celebration and to the team at Ecole Secondaire Highwood High School who hosted our division.
- Board Work Plan 2022-2023 The Board of Trustees is committed to an assurance model which includes financial transparency, accountability, and continuous improvement through the



Engagement, Support and Success for each learner in Foothills School Division. To support this commitment, Policy 2 Appendix: A - Board Annual Work Plan is reviewed, updated, and approved on an annual basis. The aim of the work plan is to provide stakeholders with an overview of the work of the Board - demonstrating fiduciary oversight, community engagement and visionary foresight reflective of the values of the community it serves.

- Royal Bank of Canada Grant - \$50,000 Foothills School Division will once again receive a \$50,000 grant from RBC to continue our work ensuring positive mental health supports are available for students across the division. The grant funding will be directed towards the work of the Students' Matters committee as well as the Mental Health Task Force partnership work with the Calgary Rural Primary Care Network, Alberta Health Services and the Foothills Children's Wellness Network such as the Youth Mental Health Summit that took place in May of 2022.
- Summer School Principal, Kerry Welsh, and Director of Student Learning (7-12) & Assurance Data, Doug Stevens, provided a report on Summer School 2022 which took place at Ecole Secondaire Foothills Composite High School/Alberta High School of Fine Arts from July 4 – 29. Presentation
- Upcoming Events:
 - School Council meetings resuming in September
 - National Day for Truth and Reconciliation – FSD will participate during the week of September 27. September 30 will be a non- attendance day for all FSD students and staff.
 - Report to the Board September 21: Meeting with Minister Adriana LaGrange
 - Presentations to Board: September 21:
 - Oilfields High School CPIP Presentation – Indigenous Student Support Initiative (Chet Musgrove, Charity Tegler, Darald Lavallie)
 - Facility Services Report (Kevin Gushulak)
 - Human Resources Report (Ashley Alexander)
- Asks for the minister of education
 - Rising insurance costs
 - New high school funding for Okotoks.

Updates - Principal / Vice-Principal Report

- Enrollment at 665 students
- Capacity at 95%
- Hired another educational assistant
- Will be hiring another teacher for a 4/5 split class.
 - No decision yet on what students will be moving to the new class
- Meeting on the first PD Day



- Focus on Support, Success, and Engagement
- Focus word for this year is Heart (heart of the grizzly)
 - What do bears teach us.
 - Focus on what the student grizzlies will exhibit at the school.
- Focus on the trait of acceptance
 - Working with minds matter to create lessons and supports in the class for the teachers.
- Also focusing on the heart of the learning.
- Approved for a pilot project
 - Only 2 learner profiles this year
 - 19 outcomes
 - How can we use a digital portfolio in a meaningful way and add student voice to the portfolio
 - This will help communicate to the parents a more wholistic view of where their child progress is at.

Other questions or items for the next meeting

- 4 day school week email from the school division.
 - Complete the survey to provide feedback
- Jason Newfeld (addictions councilor for AHS)
 - Presents to parents on this occurring in our community.
 - Do we want to have a presentation?
- School boundary
 - A decision will be made by April.
- This will be Bryce Godenir last term as Parent Council chair
 - Anyone interested in learning what is required of the chair role can learn throughout 2022-23 from the current Chair.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:15 PM