

MEADOW RIDGE SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Date: Thursday, February 16, 2024

In Attendance: Kezia Grams, Kristi Lundquist, Shannon Gosse, Nicole Mulholland

Administration: Lisa Penzo (Trustee), Rebecca Forchuk (Principal)

Meeting called to order: 6:45pm

Welcome and Introductions

Agenda

- No additions or deletions.
- Motion to adopt agenda: Kezia Grams
- Seconded: Shannon Gosse

Last Meeting Minutes

- January minutes reviewed.
- No amendments, additions, or deletions.
- Motion to adopt minutes: Kristi Lundquist
- Seconded: Shannon Gosse

Opening Remarks - Kristi Lundquist

- Other school councils have requested review of the Student Code of Conduct -
 - Administrative Procedure 350 available on the Foothills School Division website.
 - Kristi will distribute the link to the "Respect for All Engagement Survey" to the school council members. An FSD account will be required to complete.

Trustee Update - Lisa Penzo

- Review of <u>February 2024</u> Footnotes Newsletter.
 - Focus on 2024-2025 calendar. Feedback has been collected to build out the calendar. Exam dates are set provincially.
- Student Matters was last week
 - Focus on wellness and wellbeing
 - Students did an excellent job presenting data.
- Chairs of School Council (COSC) will take place in April
- Government budget will be released at the end of February.
- Is there an update on the fee deficit question from last meeting? Kristi
 - Rebecca confirmed that she has spoken with Chris to request waiving a portion of the fees.

Meadow Ridge Administration Update - Rebecca Forchuk

- AB Education - Literacy



- Proposal for 16-18 days of guest teacher release for intervention training K-3.
- Structuring classes for guided reading groups.
- Lisa confirmed an advocacy letter is being developed.
- Parent involvement is encouraged.
- Learner Profiles were distributed today
 - All are read by administration
 - Collecting information from teachers to develop consistency in literacy.
- 2 divisional days comin up for Trauma Informed Practice
- Looking at transitioning grade 9's to the Foothills Composite and the grade 6's into Jr. High. Feedback from parents is welcome to help with these transitions. What would you like to see?
 - Suggestion to offer assistance with proper note taking to assist with studying.
 - Suggestion to offer study groups.
- Meadow Ridge School Cell Phone Commitments Handout
 - Focus on appropriate cell phone usage (when/where). Unable to restrict 100% halfway through the year.
 - Wearing airpods is a possible safety concern.
 - Suggestion for possible digital wellness training
- Grades 4-7 Assurance Survey has been sent via Canada Post.
- FSD Engagement Survey will be distributed in March.
- Student Matters -4 MRS Junior High students attended (all from leadership). Themes included:
 - Confidence is low in the system and across Canada students connected this to cell phone use.
 - Class difficulty: too hard leads to apathy, too easy leads to boredom.
 - Positive reinforcement i.e. the good trouble campaign, viewed positively by students.
 - Mental health is not talked about enough.

Other Business, Question and Answer:

- When is the next Student Learning Conference?
 - April 17-18th.
 - Nicole Mulholland will arrange for another potluck.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:35pm