

Meadow Ridge School Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, November 21, 2024

In Attendance : Shannon Gosse, Nicole Mulholland, Shannon Speidel, Kristi Lundquist, Murillo Perrotti, Crystal Kraus.

Administration: Lisa Penzo (Trustee), Debbie Payne (Principal), Allison Stewart (Vice Principal), Chris Fuzessy (Superintendent)

Meeting called to order : 6:30 pm

Welcome and Introductions

Agenda

- Switched order of Trustee report and Admin report as Chris was running late.
- Motion to adopt agenda: Shannon G, seconded by Nicole M

Minutes

- Motion to adopt minutes: Shannon S, seconded by Kristi

MRS Admin report - Debbie Payne

- Were given SOS statements for Grade 4-6 and 7-9 so we were aware of what was being asked. To get a better base line for their results all classes were visited and asked to answer by Allison Stewart.
- We were then given the results. These results are then used to provide information for future planning, professional development, goal setting, ect.
- Grades 4-6 has statements about *external resilience, Internal resilience, peers, safe and caring, and self confidence statements*. The results were quite good in all areas.
- Grades 7-9 has statements about *external resilience, extracurricular balance, internal resistance, peer relationships, safe and caring environment, and self confidence, Utility of school, handling work-school pressures, and work and school integration*. The results were pretty good some, but we saw lower than we would like numbers under internal resilience statements, self confidence, utility of school, work and

school integration. Now they know these are some key areas to work on.

- K-3 will be focusing on literacy with Lauren Frandle.
- Grades 4-6 will be focusing on numeracy with Allison Stewart.
- Grades 7-9 will focus on engagement with Debbie Payne.

- Events : Dec. 11 and 12 Christmas concerts
Dec. 18 Christmas market
Dec. 20 Movie and PJs

- Grade 9 activity meeting was not well attended but some suggestions they came up with are:
 - Southland waterpark
 - Activate
 - Prank war
 - Launch pad
 - Heritage Park
 - Movie
 - Calaway park
 - Something nature based
 - Laser tag
 - Escape room

Trustee Report - Lisa Pezos

- Went through Footnotes flyer that is located on Foothills School Division website. [Footnotes-2024_11](#). This month it was talking about what is happening with the high school. The high school is currently out to tender but it seems to have stalled with the bridging of architects. We are hoping it is a priority and hoping to hear something in February maybe. We also discussed P3/3P schools and how they are good for the government but not as good for the division.
- Busing is still an issue as we have to purchase so many buses and we don't have the funding. We are encouraging everyone to advocate with the advocacy letters on the Division website.

Superintendent - Chris Fuzessy

- What are they doing - report card of Alberta Ed Nov. 30 between schools and division

- Audited financial report is due
- Nov. 1 all teaching staff was involved in creating a 5 yr education plan.
- Teachers discussed to deepening learning in certain areas, wanting more autonomy in teacher education, workshops.
- They are working on all teachers having First aid.
- December 12/13 all support staff involved in trauma informed response.
- They also want support staff to have first aid and nonviolent crisis intervention as teachers already have.
- In January they are working on plans for next year.
- Chris was asked if the gym is included in the square footage equation for meadow ridge capacity and he answered yes and no. in a K-6 its not included but in a 7-12 it is included so they aren't quite sure.
- The boundary review results were discussed. The results showed people didn't want a boundary review. They will continue to discuss it every year. He wanted us to know that they are not going to do a boundary review until the high school is approved to build. This is because they want to be sure that they don't have to do another one soon after. Another reason is it would be hard to know what the feeder schools would be to the current and new high school. Probably looking at 2.5-3 yrs. He assured us that they would have the boundary change announced a year before the high school opened so families had advanced warning.

Marillo Perrotti - shared that there is a public hearing Monday November 25 for the new build site, Ridgemont. There is not currently a school site on the plans.

We all agreed some forward thinking on the part of the town, government and developers would be really nice.

Meeting Adjourned : 7:33