

Longview School Council

Meeting Minutes
January 31, 2019

Attendees: Rob Kavanagh, Bill Young, Donna Gallup, Sara Kujat, Lisa Penner, Rhonda Bymak, Al Davidson, Andrea Kavanagh

Call to Order: 6:00 pm

Additions: Idle free zone within the School property.

Board Report: Bill Young

- Presentations (CPIP): Transforming Classrooms into Thinking Cultures; Building a Culture of Thinking at Oilfields High School; Outdoor Education.
- Okotoks Boundary Approval – option 2 was selected by the board, and was made necessary by the opening of the new Meadow Ridge School.
- Monthly Finance Update.
- Student Matters Committee – emphasis on mental health.
- Administrative Procedure 260 – Field Trips: policy procedure.
- Administrative Procedure 491 – Volunteer Coaches & Supervisors: new rules on school representatives from school not only teachers.
- Public Announcements: Monday morning identified as attendance challenges for Ecole Senator Riley School; Dr. Morris Gibson awarded \$10,000 donation for installation of inclusive playground & Junior A Oilers hockey players to mentor students; Blackie

Santa letter program; kudos to all dedicated staff and volunteers for the amazing concerts and plays during the Christmas season; Gr. 5 students at Ecole Percy Pegler participated in and completed the Drug Abuse Resistance Education program; Grade 3 students from Red Deer Lake School worked with Mindfuel & the U of C on a Virtual Reality Experience; January 9 – 10 interviews of superintendent candidate took place – an offer was presented and accepted and now awaits approval from the Department of Education; the Board has passed a motion to hold a public meeting regarding the re-alignment of Millarville Community School to include grade 9 for the September 2020 year.

- Presentation: Blackie School – Education Plan
 - Presentation: French Immersion
 - Meadow Ridge School – Request for School Code
 - Policy 3 – Role of the Trustee
 - Millarville School – Reconfiguration
 - Board Committee Changes
 - Capital Planning Update
 - Finance Update
 - Superintendent Search
 - Okotoks Boundaries
 - Application Deadline for Alberta School Council Annual General Meeting in Edmonton on March 4 – grants for trip costs.
 - School calendar draft – under negotiation with teachers: increase the number of in-school instructional days and offer more flexibility for administrators.
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- Idle Free Zone: January signs were installed in the parking lot. Rhonda offered to speak with Karen regarding the Pre-school parents.

School Report: Rhonda Bymak

Recent Events

- Dec. 13 “The Grinch” play at OHS
- Christmas Store

- Christmas Celebration, Dec. 19 at 1:00pm & 6:30pm “A Charlie Brown’s Christmas”
- Half Day - PJ’s & Pancakes Dec. 21

Upcoming Events

- Dog Tales begins on Feb. 6 for 8 weeks
- “Be Brave” Anti-Bullying Hitman game, Feb. 27
- Grade 5/6 DARE Grad, March 1 at 10:30am
- Mobile Escape Room, March 15
- Report Cards, March 15
- “Spring Event”: Parent Teacher Interviews, Student Achievement Celebration, Book Fair and Feast, March 20, 3:30 – 8:00pm

Information Items

- New Education Assistant in Kindergarten, Lisa Schwartz – Funds through the First Nations Hearth Consortium
- Learning Commons Facilitator – Jennifer Cuunniam
- Western Financial has applied for a \$5,000 grant for our school “Support the Cause” – we are creating a Multipurpose Wellness Space – unsuccessful but will reapply next year
- Chrom,e Books have arrived and are available to students
- Accountability Pillar Survey
- Preliminary planning for Grade 5/6 spring camping trip

Education Plan

- Posted on website in full
- Priorities - 2 Goals: 1) Academic – high level of learning & achievement 2) safety – caring & welcoming learning environment
- Opportunities to engage parents
- Building school and community relationships, esp. with Eden Valley
- Outcomes: designing literacy & numeracy that is differentiated
- Impact: deep understanding crosscurricularly
- Transferring
- Critical self reflection
- Best Practice Strategy: continuum of supports, individual supports
- Measures & Data: accountability pillar, attendance , PAT, SOS Q data, Health and Wellness
- 2nd Monday – collaborative team: math skills, professional learning pebbles: First Nations Foundational Knowledge, cultural thinking,

circles of support, creating awareness.

****Important change to School Zone times by the province – problematic to the school. ****

Meeting Adjourned: 7:08pm