



School Council Meeting Minutes
October 25, 2017

Meeting Attendees: Sherry Rissling, Ashleigh Murray, Danielle Pluth, Angela Guest, Amy Martins, Michelle Isaak, Jody Fischer, Melissa Weachter, Jen Dyck

Item	Topic	Discussion	Person
1.0	Call to Order: 9:00am		Ashleigh M
2.0	Approval of Sept Minutes	Angela approved minutes and Amy second.	
3.0	Review of Agenda	Amy approved agenda and Michelle second.	
4.0	Report Updates		
4.1	Principal/ Vice Principal	<p>Sherry shared information from report. Review attached Administrator's report.</p> <p>Sherry discussed that start of entry age for school is being explored for consistency across Alberta. The province may be considering an earlier cut off than February. Age to stay in school longer is also being explored i.e. 21 as of September to increase high school completion across the province. Our superintendent has requested that school divisions have discretion for over aged students.</p>	Sherry R.
4.2	Chair/Vice Chair	<p>Ashleigh and Angela attended the Council of School Council – reps from all of PRSD School councils attend</p> <p>Goals are Wellness and Literacy – reported by Roger Clarke and Reagan Weeks – looking to bring in Jody Carrington for parents</p> <p>Classroom Improvement fund – hiring 2 coaches for staff to call in to help staff on site elbow to elbow</p> <p>School legislation – age of access, education agreements with First Nations, Transportation, school fees – looking at researching and seeing what changes needed to be made to the acts.</p> <p>Division will pay for 2 people to attend Edmonton School Council conference in Alberta. Deadline for applying is Jan 31/18 and to contact Ryan Boser at ryanboser@prrd8.ca. Conference is April 20-22/2018 at Delta Edmonton South.</p>	Angela
4.3	Trustee	See attached report	Ashleigh reviewed
4.4	Secretary	Nothing to report	Danielle P
5.0	Old Business	Cooking class – Joanne continues to look for a mixer for the cooking class. Sherry noted a food processor was donated. Angela to continue to watch Kijiji.	Ashleigh
6.0	New Business	Angelque Doyle presentation – Laughter Yoga and Labyrinth Meditation work – worked in school for 9 years with special needs – laughter and mindfulness helping academically. Encourage teachers to incorporate	Angelque Doyle

		<p>into classroom activities. Explained Labyrinth walk for mindfulness to work through problems, anxiety etc. could then journal from that. Laughter Yoga explained – mindfulness, body movement, and then bring in some laughter to slowly help kids to relax and laugh for no reason – benefits help with stress, anxiety, release anger etc. She then encourages teachers to bring laughter ideas throughout the day. Presentations for laughter yoga would be about 30 minutes, Labyrinth would be 45-60min or whatever can work. \$80/hr for laughter Yoga or 2 30 min. sessions. \$255 for Labyrinth session for 1 hour and included supplies. If break Labyrinth into 3 classes then would be \$185. No mileage fee.</p> <p>Stars and Wishes – introducing this to School Council to help facilitate conversations of issues parents want to bring forward. Stars and Wishes will be shared with teachers by the Teacher liaison and they can encourage teachers to also share feedback, trends, and concerns back to parents.</p> <p>Stars –</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Love the Maker Space for Division meetings- -Division meetings have always occurred and this is a new way to provide support -Sherry further highlighted how Maker Space aligns with Alberta Education competency standards. It also brings in hands on opportunity for parents to have more involvement based on need noted in parent survey -one concern – charging of items needs to be taken care of 2. Hand on approach in engaging students in Div 1 is excellent 3. All the positive social media posts about sports. Thanks teachers for taking time to coach! 4. Student Newspaper, this looks great! <p>Wish</p> <p>-Is there a way for kids to get in sooner after lunch recess and someway deal with individual children who are not being quiet? Perhaps instead of whole lines being held back, let quiet kids in sooner so they can start eating?</p>	
7.0	Discussion Topic	None for today – will be screen time in December	
8.0	Meeting Adjourned:	10:30am	Ashleigh M

Meeting B: Finance/Fundraising Committee Meeting

Item	Topic	Discussion	Person
1.0	Call to Order: 10:30am		Ashleigh
2.0	Finance Report Update	Total as of October 25, 2017 - \$45 740.85 Casino Account: \$13 862.09	Ashleigh
3.0	Old Spending General Account	None discussed	Ashleigh
4.0	Casino Money	-Swimming Lessons – Badges vs. Safety questionnaire reviewed that was completed by parents. 90% of parents prefer Badges. Leisure	Ashleigh

