



**School Council Meeting Minutes  
April 18, 2018**

**Meeting Attendees:** Ashleigh Murray, Graeme Dennis, Krista Notenbamer, Karen Murray, Angela Guest, Tammy Burgevitz, Joanne MacQuarrie, Melissa Weachter, Julie Smyth, Diona Notenbamer

Item	Topic	Discussion	Person
1.0	<b>Call to Order:</b>	6:43pm	Ashleigh M
2.0	<b>Approval of Mar Minutes</b>	Should say "Approval of January Minutes" rather than October. Karen approved, Angela second.	
3.0	<b>Review of Agenda</b>	Angela approved agenda and Karen second.	
4.0	<b>Report Updates</b>		
4.1	Principal/ Vice Principal	<p>Joanne reviewed Sherry's report. See attached.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Good turnout for student led conference</li> <li>-Al's audio to commence work in July if approved for sound system prior to floor cleaning.</li> <li>-Bill 24 – Gay Straight Alliances Groups– student led, parents not informed.</li> <li>-Deficit – School Division – down students this year and next so significantly decreased funding. Planning for a balanced budget. Will effect staffing, EA support. To save money, will lease Chrome books rather than buy computers.</li> <li>-May 10<sup>th</sup> Superintendent lunch for staff</li> <li>-Lee and Sandy Paley Concert Wednesday April 25<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>-Theme % - Sexual Health letters will go home but will no longer require a signed consent form, if parents want to pull child, to contact teacher.</li> <li>-Farm Safety – May 9<sup>th</sup> at the Community Hall, all classes rotate through the sessions.</li> </ul>	Joanne
4.2	Chair/Vice Chair	Nothing to report	Angela
4.3	Trustee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Entrepreneur – exploring building mobile shops for welding, construction etc. for 12 week modules.</li> <li>-Building beside district office will become an outreach school similar to Beyond Walls, will have before and after school care for Irvine kids</li> </ul>	Graeme
4.4	Secretary	Nothing to report	Danielle P
5.0	<b>Old Business</b>	-Would like something in the school section of the Medicine Hat newspaper announcements	Ashleigh
6.0	<b>New Business</b>	-Would love for a teacher to come to School Council meeting – Joanne notes that Patty Beck is interested. Group wondered if teachers could rotate to come to meetings – would only be 1 meeting every year and a half.	Ashleigh

		<p>-Krista wondered if from each class, have a signup sheet that parents could commit to 1 school council meeting a year.</p> <p>-Track and Field – Tammy wondered if heats for running could be filled up in the spur of the moment if a student wants to run. Joanne to look into.</p> <p>Elections for School Council to occur in June, Ashleigh will put in newsletter with job titles etc.</p>	<p>Krista</p> <p>Tammy</p>
8.0	Meeting Adjourned:	7:17 pm	Ashleigh M

### Meeting B: Finance/Fundraising Committee Meeting

Item	Topic	Discussion	Person
1.0	Call to Order:	7:17pm	Tammy
2.0	Finance Report Update	<p>Tammy notes there was a finance meeting last night for parents to further explore Teacher Casino fund wish list. Also financial meetings may be done outside of School Council meeting going forward.</p> <p>General Account: \$43,419.52 of that \$36,875.57 is playground funds            Available General funds \$6543.95            Casino account: \$13,850.09 – last year swimming lessons            Available Casino Funds \$11,745.31</p>	Krista
3.0	Old Spending  General Account		Ashleigh
4.0	Casino Money	<p>Teacher casino fund wish list reviewed</p> <p>-Joanne reviewed the Rhino skin balls requested, they no longer work once have a hole and have to order them every year.</p> <p>-Stop Watches – Parents wondered if they could be ordered from anywhere or have to be from sporting company – Joanne notes from anywhere.</p> <p>-Money made by school hot lunches can only be spent on certain things like sport equipment, Maker Space etc. not part of general budgeting reports.</p> <p>-Parents requested if overall school budget could be reviewed in October to help with Casino funding decisions. Graeme noted that it could take a lot of time to do this, perhaps a</p>	Ashleigh

		<p>separate meeting may be needed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Ipads – questioned why Chrome books not be leased rather than Ipads. Joanne to look into if Ipads can be leased. Differences are the apps they can get and the touch aspect.</li> <li>-Highlighted items added are the new items added to the lists.</li> <li>-Pencil sharpeners – electric sharpeners work better with any kind of pencil and are less noisy. Prices reviewed \$56-\$300.</li> <li>-Teachers contributed to list – speakers, sharpener, balls etc.</li> <li>-Sound system –             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-would like to get another quote</li> <li>-have a parent council member also to be part of it</li> <li>-Would like matching of funds by school or district to board.</li> <li>-Would like to further explore previous Visions deal – 10-12 hand held microphones were purchased and it was supposed to be lapel ones. Because it was a special order, Visions wouldn't take them back. Possibility of selling the discussed but they could work with the new system.</li> <li>-Is there any support follow-up with current quote?</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<p><b>5.0</b></p>	<p><b>New Money</b></p>	<p>May 10<sup>th</sup> - Superintendent lunch – School Council feeling too many activities involved in at this time and declined to serve lunch. Joanne requested if parents could help with supervision over lunch. Approximately 8 parents would be needed for 20 minutes outside and 20 minutes inside – 11:40-12:20</p>	
<p><b>6.0</b></p>	<p><b>New Spending</b></p>	<p>Bingo Night – family fun night, held at the hall. Holding over until next year.</p> <p>Farm Safety Day – May 9<sup>th</sup> lunch being provided for 15ish presenters – Karen organizing. Tammy made motion for Karen to purchase lunch for same and second by Angela.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Need some volunteers on evening of 8<sup>th</sup> to stuff bags at the hall– 5-6 parents needed. Ashleigh to send out to volunteer list.</li> </ul> <p>Discussion around why don't use gym scoreboard – Joanne notes the old blue one doesn't work at all. Red score board is also more than 10 years old, not sure where it came from. Joanne bought a new cord and it works as far as she knows right now and she will look into it with Mark.</p> <p>Staff Appreciation – setting budget in place to help with future planning. Future options were discussed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Alternate with a recess appreciation time to maybe decrease costs</li> <li>-Tack it onto hot lunch day or order ahead with hot lunch, freeze and serve the following week.</li> </ul>	

		<p>-coupons for hot lunch          -Ashleigh made motion going forward the budget will be set at \$400, Melissa seconded it.</p> <p>Check signing – too many people with signing authority. Tammy requested that receipts and checks have a picture being taken of each and texted to Krista.          -Trying to improve efficiency of system as recently the Casino fund was audited.</p> <p>A formal request letter has been made to give to teachers to fill out for money requests and once approved, a letter will be given to teacher to say “congratulation you have been approved for...”.</p> <p>Lee and Sandy Paley concert, now funded by other parties, no cost to us.</p> <p>Bus Appreciation – Michelle Isaak is looking after. This has not been paired up with Teacher Appreciation as too many people in staff room. Ashleigh made a motion that the budget will be \$250.00 and Julie second.</p>	
<p>7.0</p>	<p>Meeting Adjourned: 8:48pm</p>		

**Future Meeting Dates: June 6<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm**

