



School Council Meeting Agenda
September 14, 2022

School Council Purpose “To Enhance Student Learning”

In attendance: Marci Sweet, Tara Good, Catherine Usher, Natasha Finnie, Myrna Bushell, Tammy Burgevitz, Andrea Ward, Karin Etienne, Kassia Anderson, Karen Murray, Kelsey Haubrich, Terri-Lynn Arnal, Megan Wisnowski, Danielle Pluth, Ashleigh Murrury, Krista Lawson

Item	Topic	Discussion	Time	Person
1.0	Call to Order		6:30p	
2.0	Review and approval of May minutes		2 min	
3.0	Review of Agenda		2 min	
4.0	Report Updates:		2 min	
4.1	Chair/Vice Chair			Terri-Lynn
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Welcome/Introductions - Time of meeting 		
4.2	Teachers Report			Mrs. Finnie
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Brief update on what is happening in your classroom: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Composting initiative 		
4.3	Principal/Vice Principal			Catherine/ Joanne
		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. School Start-up <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Fantastic start to the year - a huge exhale as we welcomed our students back to school without the rules and precautions of a pandemic to implement. 2. Our ‘theme’ this year: RE-CONNECTION <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. CREW - our goal is to bring our community together, promote shared understandings and encourage all community members to become Crew, not passengers. Far more than a traditional classroom, one’s “Crew” is a tightly knit family unit that begins every single day of school with a morning meeting, deepening relationships, team building, sharing, developing group norms, and shaping and reshaping their culture. Teachers and students listen actively and attentively to one another. In crew, students re-define what it means to be a learning community that really supports and challenges one another. Because of our looping and multi-age model, students develop stronger bonds over a three-year span with their crew leaders and peers. Grades 4-6 and 7-9 are grouped together in Crew, whereas K-3 engage in Crew time within their own classroom. Our Crew time is the first 20 minutes of the day. b. Wolfpack Cafe - a time for parents to come in and enjoy each others’ company. Coffee and treats will be provided. Check the newsletter for days and times. c. Parent Nights - fun activities will be planned throughout the year for parents to come together at the school and get to know each other. These dates and times are also in the newsletter. d. Students & Staff - every staff member will have a group of students they are asked to make frequent connections with. We want to ensure that every student feels valued, heard, and part of our school community. 3. Timetable: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Morning Bell: 8:30 b. Recess: 10:20-10:35 c. Lunch (Div. II & III)/ Recess (Div. I) - 11:25-11:45 d. Recess (Div. II & III)/ Lunch (Div. I) - 11:45-12:05 e. Afternoon Recess - 1:45-1:55 		

	<p>f. Afternoon Dismissal - K & Jr. High - 2:55 Gr. 1-6 - 3:00</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Agendas - with the many teachers using SeeSaw, we will need to revisit the use of agendas with some grades. At this time, agendas should be used for back and forth communication between home and school, and used to record homework, when assignments are due, test days, and generally to help students stay organized. 5. School Plan with budget - will be shared at the next meeting. 6. Proposed Shop - we are working on a package to propose to our Board of Trustees and to begin writing grants 		
<p>4.4</p>	<p>Trustee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Prairie Rose School Division updates: <p>2022-2023 Organizational Meeting - Election of the Board Chair and Vice-Chair</p> <p>Every fall the board of trustees elects the board chair, vice-chair and other key positions for the new school year. In addition to their regular duties, trustees are elected to serve as primary representatives on provincial associations and boards. The following trustees will act as representatives in those roles during the 2022-2023 year:</p> <p>Cathy Hogg, Board Chair Lois Bedwell, Vice-Chair Representative for the Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) - Shawna VanderSpruit ASBA Alternate - Nancy Haraga Representative for the Public School Boards Association (PSBA) - Pam Cursons PSBAA Alternate - Patty Rooks Teachers Employer Bargaining Association (TEBA) - Pam Cursons Representative on the Alberta Rural Caucus - Patty Rooks</p> <p>Governance Process #14 Trustee Honorarium</p> <p>Board motion passed: Policy GP #14 Trustee Honorarium & Expense Reimbursement was adjusted to provide financial compensation when trustee work and travel outside of the school division (occurring on the same day) exceeds 8 hours per day. Trustees will make \$24.19 for each additional hour worked.</p> <p>2022-2023 Enrolment Update</p> <p>Chief Financial Officer Ryan Boser presented the 2022-2023 School Enrolment update for information. In the spring, Prairie Rose had projected an increase of 9.5 FTE (full-time equivalent) students compared to the 2021-2022 school year. Based on early September counts, the division has recorded an increase of 37.0 FTE students over spring projections. In comparison to the 2021-2022 year, PRPS is up 46.5 FTE students which is an enrolment increase of 1.57%. It was noted that many of the unique programs implemented by Prairie Rose such as the South Alberta Hockey and Flight academies, a rodeo academy in Foremost and the Irvine Agricultural Discovery Centre have contributed to the enrolment gains. A new international student program has also brought in up to eight additional students this year.</p> <p>Policy Review Committee</p> <p>The board approved the changes/removal of the following policies as presented/amended:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update E#1 Mission • Update E#2 Vision • Update E#3 Six Core Principles • Update E#4 Strategic Goals • Delete E#5 Essential Virtues • Re-number and update E #5 Lens for Decision-Making 		<p>Graeme</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delete E#6 Key Learning Principles <p>Transportation/Bussing</p> <p>Trustee Lois Bedwell shared that the board had recently met with the Minister of Education to discuss challenges associated with the bus driver shortages. It was noted that primary concerns stem from increased ride times and bus consistency for families. While PRPS continues to try and be creative to find solutions, increased insurance rates and training times for the MELT and S-Endorsement driver requirements continue to hinder the process for finding and replacing drivers in a timely manner.</p>			
5.0	Old Business			Terri-Lynn
5.1	Year Books	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thank you January for taking the time to make such a wonderful yearbook again. January has done an amazing job the past 3 years, but now is stepping down from making the year books. We are looking for someone to take over. 		
6.0	New Business			Terri-Lynn
6.1	Back to School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chili cook off Future events: volunteer/organizer 		
6.2	Future meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What weekday works best for the majority? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Will continue with every second Wednesday of the month 		
6.3	Elections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Elections for executive board <p>School council chair: Amy Deck School council vice chair: Danielle Pluth Secretary: Megan Wisnowski Financial Chair: Karen Treasurer: Krista Lawson</p>		
7.0	How Can We Help? How can the Parent Council support and enhance student learning?			
8.0	Meeting Adjourned		7:14p	
	Next meeting: October 12, 2022			