

CES School Council
Wednesday, April 5, 2017

Attendance: Bob Rodgers, Tracy Wasylucha, Krista White, Chrissy Berard, Lisa Metcalfe, Janice Graham, Shari Krukowski, Norma Lang, Amy Spotswood, Krista Benoit, Liz Marshall, Jeff Wasylucha

Call to order:

Meeting start time: 6:35pm

Chair: Shari Krukowski

Secretary: Janice Graham

Review and approval of previous minutes.

Motion to accept by: Krista White

Seconded by: Krista Benoit

Vote: Carried

Review and approval of agenda:

Motion to accept by: Tracy Wasylucha

Seconded by: Krista White

Vote: Carried

Reports:

- Chair:
 - Joint Council Meeting: Tracy and Shari attended last week where a video was shown about the effects of technology on childrens' brains. Shari would like to present the film (Screenagers) to parents, perhaps jointly with the WG Murdoch council as well.
 - Shari will email Wendy McKee (on WG Murdoch parent council) and ask her to take it to their council meeting tomorrow to see if they would be interested in jointly hosting a screening
 - Bob is willing to take on the organization of the screening

- Treasurer:
 - Amy can come in to the school during the school day to sign cheques if needed.
 - Bob gave Amy a list of the expenses that the school has paid so far this year (movie nights, babysitting, popcorn, pizza)
 - Bob MOVES that parent council reimburse the school for the expenses noted on the attached document. SECONDED: by Shari. VOTES: all in favour.
 - Make the cheque to Rocky View Schools and bring to the school office.

- Volunteer Coordinators:
 - Date for teacher appreciation week
 - May 1-5
 - Krista will talk to Shari about last year's appreciation week.

- Bob requested that this be moved to the following week- May 8-12 as he will be attending an Indigenous Peoples conference in St. Paul the week of May 1
- December Movie Night Receipts
- Movie Night - Friday, April 7 at 7pm.
 - Charlotte's Web
 - Popcorn arrived this Tuesday
 - Water bottles purchased
 - Wear pjs and bring pillows/ blankets to sit on
 - Doesn't sound as if the attendance will be as high as the winter one
 - Can the Grade 5s set up chairs the afternoon? (Lisa to talk to Gr 5 teachers)
 - Popcorn, water, fruit snacks and chocolate eggs will be served in the hallway
 - The deposit on the bottles was \$32, so we need to put out recycling bins for the bottles to recoup these costs.
 - Volunteers to help with "security": Jeff, Janice, Tracy
- Principal:
 1. Staffing
 - a. Lorena Petit is moving to the new school in Airdrie - Windsong Heights
 - b. We have one posting out for a 1.0 Generalist - we have lots of applicants! 26 so far!
 2. School Council Special Meeting was held Friday, March 24th
 - Thank you to those that were able to make it, it went well. It would be great to plan again next year.
 3. Celebration of Crossfield Schools - March 8th was very successful. Thank you to the playschool for coming.
 4. Grade 5 Transition Tour - WGM - April 27th. Our CDA, Adele Gamble is taking small groups and giving private tours for students that need extra time.
 5. IMR- our school has requested a number of upgrades. The sewer pipe replacement has been approved, with planned replacement for this summer. The library redesign has been approved in principle. Requests have also been placed for bathroom modernizations, stairs for the back parking lot, gym lights and the main office.
 6. The Grade 1 class has raised enough money to place a Little Free Library outside of the school this year.
- Assistant Principal:
 - Spring Photos - Wednesday, April 12th
 - Easter Break April 14 - 25th
 - Math-a-thon begins - April 26th with the test on May 1st. Pledge forms will go home before the break
 - Pizza Hot lunch - April 28th

- Spring Fling - May 12th
 - Story Week - May 15-18th Theme: Canada 150
 - We have a Twitter account @CrossfieldCES. This can also be accessed from the CES website. Photos of student events and school promotion can be found here.
 - Don't Walk In The Halls- a new program in the gym hallway for kids to have a movement break in the hallway as they transition to different classes. Currently on trial until the end of June to see if there is any impact to the floor.
- Trustee:
 - Joint School Council Meeting - March 30th
 - Government has announced the Capital Plan approvals. Airdrie has been granted a new school in Airdrie, with the following year seeing a school in Cochrane. Crossfield has been earmarked for a new school with the new developments being built.
 - WG Murdoch has a number of students going into Grade 10 that are being interviewed for the Building Futures program. This gives students an opportunity to understand the curricular outcomes around building homes. Sponsored by McKee Homes
 - Every school in Alberta will receive funding for nutrition programs for next year.
 - Bill 1: Instructional and Transportation fees elimination. RVS is still looking at how this will impact families in the coming year.

Old Business: (Items from last meeting):

1. ASCA Conference and AGM 2017:

a. Registration is now open for the Alberta School Councils' Association Conference and AGM, being held Apr. 28-30, at the Delta Edmonton South. The conference will offer elements of Alberta's "Future Ready" initiative including curriculum development, embracing diversity, inclusive learning, and commitment to the Truth Reconciliation Commission. In conjunction, the ASCA Annual General Meeting will be held on Apr. 30. Important meeting materials are available on the AGM information page, including the 2017 Resolutions Preview Package, https://c.ymcdn.com/sites/albertaschoolcouncils.site-ym.com/resource/resmgr/conf_17/2017_AGM_Resolutions_Preview.pdf Agenda, Credentials and Proxy Voting forms. Register now! <http://www.albertaschoolcouncils.ca/?page=eNewsJan2617> [Registration fees info](#) here.

2. Potluck snacks for next meeting

- a. Bob, Shari, Janice and Tracy brought snacks for April's meeting
- b. Krista, Chrissy, Katie, Lisa and Sherry will bring for May's meeting

New Business:

1. Special Meeting of the School Council: April 26

- a. Presenters from the ASCA (Alberta School Councils Association) will present a workshop on Operating Procedures for school councils. We will rewrite current operating procedures which are logged on the school website. At the end of the sessions, our procedures would be up to date and ready to be voted on at the AGM.
 - b. Whoo's Crew and WG Murdoch will be invited.
 - c. Free of charge, will be at 6:30pm on Wednesday, April 26. Will last approximately 2 hours.
 - d. Childcare will be provided by Emma Niven
 - e. The school will provide pizza.
2. Babysitting information and discussion: Vienna Lang has been offered a new job opportunity so will be unable to babysit during council meetings. Bob would like the council to take on the organization of the babysitting.
- . Options: Advertise at Murdoch for a position or find a babysitter from within the council.
- a. Emma Niven is willing to take on the role, but is sick this evening.
 - b. Chrissy MOVES that Tracy will be appointed the MRP for the school council to organize the babysitter for next month's meeting. She will prepare a plan and report back to the council in the May meeting to be voted on. **SECONDED:** by Shari. **VOTES:** all in favour.
 - c. The school has been paying \$15/ hour or \$10 if there are no kids.
3. Bob will be absent from the May meeting as he is away at a conference
 4. June meeting: Shari has offered to host at her house to have a potluck/ BBQ

Question Period: (This is a time for questions regarding school/division programs or philosophy to the council chair, trustee, or school admin. Advance notice of questions, especially on controversial topics, will help us to provide complete answers. A time limit may be imposed if needed.)

1. Who is responsible for the baseball diamonds in the school yard with regards to maintenance? RVS? Or the Town of Crossfield?
 - a. Crossfield Ball has seen an increase in registrations and would like to utilize the school ball diamonds for practice. It can not be reserved for use, but is open for the public to use outside school hours.
 - b. The field requires maintenance. Who to contact regarding this?
 - c. The ball diamond is the property of RVS and would be maintained by RVS
 - d. If T-ball was to use the diamond next year, how would Crossfield Ball go about organizing maintenance?
 - e. Sheila Jenkins is in charge of Grounds. The school would need to arrange this maintenance with her. Bob will speak to her.
2. What is the protocol regarding Mumps in the school?

. We have had a single case of Mumps in the school. Bob has spoken to the Public Health nurse and AHS. There are 11 cases in Calgary and area, which is not considered an outbreak. Because it is not an outbreak, the responsibility of the school is to recommend vaccinations. The school is not required to contact parents at this point as it is not currently a public health concern.

 - a. Some concern regarding immunocompromised individuals. Is there a reason that a notice is not sent home when a student in someone's class is diagnosed (like lice notices)? Bob will look into this with AHS and find out if there is a reason why (confidentiality, etc).

b. The child was most contagious before symptoms appeared and has been away from school since being diagnosed.

Adjournment:

Moved by: Krista Benoit

Seconded by: Shari

Vote: All in favour

Next meeting: Special Meeting Wednesday, April 26 and regular meeting Wednesday, May 3rd

Adjourn at: 8:00pm