

Parent Council Minutes for November 8, 2017

Present: Trina Boymook, Adrienne Drebert, Heidi Peters, Devon Marshall, Melinda Biel, Elaine Reed, Shannon Anderson, Darlene Janzen, Francis Poole and Jaimie Peters

Absent: Kimberly Teeuwsen and Andrea Breitzkreuz

Motion to accept previous minutes approved by Parent Council.

Reporting:

1. Budget – Adrienne
Account Balance: \$23,642.32, \$3,672.53 designated for missions, \$19,969.79 available to Parent Council. Yearly approval list shared by Mr. Poole. Motion to accept made by Adrienne and seconded by Shannon
2. COSC – Devon
 - a. They are meeting right now! Any updates to be covered by Trina in her report.
3. EIPS Trustee Report – Trina
 - a. On Oct. 23 EIPS signed VTRA (Violence Threat Risk Assessment) Protocol. Partners agreed to work together to reduce violence and promote community safety. Communities partnering are Strathcona County, Fort Saskatchewan, Lamont County and Vegreville.
 - b. On Oct. 26 the new board was sworn in. Trina was elected to serve as the Board Chair and Heather Wall as the Vice Chair.
 - c. The Board has entered Results Review starting this week. Starting with EIPS Departments and then School Results Review to begin Nov. 24.
 - d. At the Oct. 26 Board Meeting, Board approved 4 new modulars for SouthPointe to address enrolment pressure. Board also approved funding to demolish 3 modulars at the former's Ministik school.
 - e. EIPS Unaudited Surplus ending Aug. 31/2017 was higher than projected. The Board decided to allocate some of these dollars to specific reserves identified under the Division Allocated Reserves to fund specific expenses, capital reserves and to the 2017/18 budget and futures years going forward. Even with the decision to transfer additional dollars to allocated reserves, we are projected to have \$1.4M above the minimum threshold of \$4M in allocated reserves. The Board's Reserve Plan includes the following reserves: Leveraging Student Achievement Reserve, Equity of Opportunity-Distance Allocation Reserve, Election Reserve, School Building Reserve, Central Projects Reserve, Projects Reserve.
 - f. Calendar survey went out today. Complete by Nov. 27.

Action Items:

1. School Education Plan – Mr. Poole
 - a. Located on the SCA Website and discussed every month at Parent Council (Reading, Math and Technology)
2. School Fees – Mr. Poole
 - a. Located on the website. More of an issue at the secondary school in regard to differing fees charged.
 - b. SCAE doesn't charge optional courses or Lunch Hour Supervision fees. Learning Resource Fee was not charged this year. See handout from Mr. Poole for a further breakdown. Noted that the Alternative Program Fee goes strictly to Christian Programming and not for library or computer resources.

3. Three Year Plan (SEP)
 - a. Reading
 - i. Seeing significant gains with children in the LLI groups.
 - ii. In December staff will look at deepening the Guided Reading Program.
 - b. Math
 - i. MIPI is an assessment tool to help determine what interventions may be needed. From 2016 to 2017 there has been an improvement in the number of flagged questions and number of flagged students.
 - ii. Added key Math terms to the walls in classrooms to help enforce a common language, created fact fluency binders and working together to mentor new teachers.
 - c. Technology
 - i. Mathletics in gr. 2 & 5.
 - ii. 4 staff members taking Google level 1 & 2 seminar.
4. 18/19 School Calendar: Reminder to take part in the survey!
5. New Display on our wall of our Partnership Schools in Saddle Lake and FFHM.
6. Staffing 17/18
 - a. Mrs. McCoy is going on leave, Miss Demchuk to take over full time.
 - b. Mrs. Doherty took on mornings in grade 1.
 - c. Mrs Dawe to go on Maternity Leave, to be covered by Mrs. Pelster and Mrs. Doherty.
7. Missions Video Shared: \$7,200 shared amongst the staff at FFHM, \$10,000 to Esther Torres.
8. Christmas Concert Change
 - a. Schedule to be sent to parents shortly
 - b. Motion for Parent Council to provide water and coffee and supervise the table made by Shannon and seconded by Melinda. Schedule to be sent out by Devon.
9. In the News – Alberta Education
 - a. SCA top Sherwood Park School
 - b. Noted that Garnett Genius was voted as 2017 Parliamentarian of the Year, Garnett is a former SCA grad.
10. Election Results: Trina Boymook, Don Irwin and Annette Hubick elected to represent Sherwood Park.
11. School Council Wear: Devon to continue to explore. Goal to help identify our council members to parents at events.
12. Bible Memory Program

Next Meeting: Jan. 10 @ 7:15 – 9:00 pm

Note Change: Adrienne to Jan Devotions and Elaine to do March Devotions.