

Fox Creek School Council Meeting Minutes

February 18, 2015

Members Present: Sandra Hardy, Jenn Ashmore, Lara Stadnyk, Richard Rozario, Ashley Pinksen, Quintin Scott, Wendy Rieger, Tamara Czinkota, Jim Hailes, Teri Kennedy-Flynn, Chriss Harvey, Kim Kennedy

Meeting called to order at 7:10pm

January meeting minutes approved by Lara, Chriss seconded

Agenda approved by Lara, Chriss seconded

Correspondence – letter from scholastic

Student Union Report

- Hosting ski trip this weekend – 30 people are attending
- Students will be polled to determine theme of April dance

Treasurer's Report

- \$20348.89 balance
- Wrote cheque to Sarah for \$838.64 for the cost of fruit and Usana supplement
 - Brought in \$1750 from donations and students fees for participating in program

Trustee Report

- The audited financial statement was presented and accepted by the Board. We are in good shape.
- The AISI program designed to encourage innovation in education in Education was discontinued by the Provincial Government. To try and fill the gap the Division has implemented the Innovative Project Grant (total \$700000). All of the Schools in the Division were encouraged to apply for grant money for projects to improve educational opportunities in their buildings.
- After last year's successful gathering of all of the School Councils in the Division it was decided to sponsor a second one. This year's is being held on Monday March 9 and is being facilitated by the Alberta School Council Association.
- In an effort to give students a greater voice in the Division the Northern Gateway Jurisdictional Engagement Team has been formed. This group is made up of Student Reps from all the High Schools in the Division.
- The contract to construct the new High School in Onoway has been awarded.

Teacher's Report

- Next PD day staff will be attending a Google Summit in Whitecourt
- Next week is Awareness Week with everyone wearing different colors on each day of the week to bring awareness to different issues around the world

CHAMP Report

- 7 yrs this week CHAMP team was initiated in the school
 - Have wall of 7 yrs in the hallway with pictures and a scrapbook
 - Originally was for grades 4-6 and then later opened up to grades 1-12
- Mural – Community Helper Project is complete
 - will be mounted in spring
- Mental Health First Aid – will be running sessions in March
 - open to partners in the community

Principal's Report

- Enrollment projection has been submitted
 - Arrangement will change teaching assignments
- 70+ honors letters were sent out this week to grades 7-12 students
- 2 Perfect Attendance awards will be given to jr/sr high – will get iTunes gift cards
- 100% of grade 12 diploma exams were passed
- Grade 6's hosted Valentine's Dance for Gr 3-5
- New scoreboard funded by Encana
- Purchased new folding tables from school council for approx. \$2800
- Invitations to school council workshop sent out – need to RSVP
- Discussion on...
 - School Fees – should payment determine attendance at extra curriculars? Discussed invoicing people at registration – could possibly get a better pay rate.
 - Spring Concert – is an afternoon concert feasible for parents – decided to hold concert in evening
 - Student Agendas vs Fridge Magnet vs School Calendar
 - Potential change to school day time – start, end, recess and lunch break

Old Business

- Playground/Track/Tarmac
 - Moving forward with creating proposals to send to companies
 - At next meeting will decide on equipment based on quotes and go from there
- Apple Program
 - Jenn motioned that we should sponsor a pizza party for the students that help Alana prepare the apples, Chriss seconded
- Healthy Breakfast Program
 - Following discussion of feasibility of continuing this program and Breakfast Clubs of Canada, Jenn motioned to not move forward with program and close it out, Chriss seconded
- Breakfast Clubs of Canada
 - Current proposal is at a standstill as per Healthy Breakfast Program – we can now move forward in partnership with CHAMP team
 - Equipment – fridge, freezer, toaster, tea kettle
 - Need food budget and other financing

New Business

- School Council Workshop
 - March 9 in Whitecourt
- School Photos
 - Company backed out – now looking into other companies and receiving proposals
- Popcorn needs to be ordered – is able to be put on account

Meeting adjourned at 8:50pm – next meeting March 18/15 at 7pm in room 40