Westview School Council Meeting minutes November 19, 2019

Called meeting to order at 7:10pm

Members present:

Jenn Ross Rhonda Breen Katarina Semanickova Jeff Porter

Susan Harrison Mandy Skaronek Leanne Paluch Rayan Makarowski

Apologies for absence:

Tracy Stillwell

1. Adoption of September 10, 2019 meeting minutes

Motion: Rayan Second: Katarina

Adoption of October 8th, 2019 AGM meeting minutes

Motion: Susan Second: Leanne

2. Motion to move Jeff Porters items to the top of the agenda: Jenn Second: Katarina

3. Accountability pillar results: Jeff Porter

Surveys overall in high numbers, either very high or maintained numbers from previous years. More survey responses this year with online option. Jeff will share results on Facebook or in an email with all parents.

4. Student led parent teacher interviews vs standard PTI: Jenn Ross

Parent questions have come up regarding reason for only student led interviews through the year. Would like to see a combination of styles, or a choice in styles because of privacy and effectiveness concerns. Jeff provided information in support of the student led, explained the benefits. Involves more parents, increases student motivation, improve student and teacher accountability, celebrate learning, make teaching more satisfying. Jeff will discuss with teachers the ideas brought forward by parents.

5. Networks Report: Jenn Ross

Government budget repercussions - a lot was cut, changing the levels for early entry program, removed classrooms size initiative, classroom improvement fund, losing 5.5 mil - giving us back 1.4mil for one year. Higher costs for ECDP and Keep will also mean potentially smaller classes or not enough funding to keep teacher for ECDP. Fees for next year will be likely increasing and there will be new fees. Need to inform MLA's if this is of a concern to parents. **Emergency protocols** - Westview already handles situations well & is quick to message parents.

Election locations pros and cons - Discussed to give feedback, parents and school not too happy about strangers walking around the school on Election Day

ASCA member engagement opportunity Nov.23, District office open for webinar 1-4pm. Can also log in from your home to participate.

https://www.albertaschoolcouncils.ca/about/board-of-directors/member-engagement Advance registration: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Mf77783IReCaIRZdr5p_Fw

ASCA survey questions - Jenn Ross

https://www.albertaschoolcouncils.ca/education-in-alberta/the-education-ministry/choice-in-education - everyone should fill out the survey, from a parents point of view choices private vs public schools government funding, before 29th November 2019 (UCP AGM) Survey open until December 6th. Please inform yourself of the different school types and programs in Alberta and what these changes could mean around funding for our schools.

ASCA AGM and conference - April 24-26, 2020

Would love to have 2 representatives from our school attend. Rayan and Susan both would like to, but will have to check schedules.

6. Breakfast program: Rhonda Breen

Leanne Paluch has taken over grocery shopping. Christmas breakfast planning meeting will happen within the next 2 weeks. Breakfast will be the Thursday before Christmas break.

7. Cross walk lighting/visibility issues: Desi Stanley

There are concerns about the visibility of the crosswalk on Wolverine at the parking lot. Too many close calls.

Most effective plan of action is to message or call the Pulse line to raise these concerns. Parent Association will look into temporary measures that can be purchased.

- 8. Next meeting: Tuesday January 14th, 2020 @ 7:00pm
- 9. Motion to adjourn: Katarina Second: Mandy @ 7:55pm

Westview School Parents Association Meeting minutes November 19, 2019

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2. Treasurers Report: Rayan Makawroski

Casino: \$ 31,292.29 General: \$ 5.598.07 Playground: \$ 6,192.69

2017/2018 report compiled and audited ready for registries 2018/2019 should be ready by end of December Missing back up for much of 2019

New event procedures:

- All deposits must be completed by someone other than the treasurer.
- Each fund-raising event will have a separate deposit for better tracking
- Spreadsheet must be used for all fund-raising events to track money spent and money collected
- EMT transfers must be manually deposited, not auto deposit. Saves .50 per transaction.
- EMT transfers will be sent to person in charge of the event, then on to the treasurer for deposit. 2 person tracking at all times.
- 2 board members must count all cash collected, fill out deposit amount to be made and sign before deposit is completed

3. Requests for Funding

Requestor: Susan Harrison

Wrapping paper, tape and supplies for Christmas Bazaar

Cost: Total \$306.60 (Mandy \$180.97 paper & Susan \$125.63 tape & tags)

Motion: Leanne Second: Katarina

Requestor: Mandy Skaronek

Reversible jerseys for athletic teams. Teams have had to wear pinnies at tournaments when the opposing team has the same colour jersey. Reversible would allow teams to switch easily. Can be inventoried and stay at school, so can come from Casino funds.

Still finalizing cost, so will have an email vote to confirm once more information is available.

Motion: Second:

Requestor: Jeff Porter

Alien Inline Skating January 20-28, 2020. Indoor group activity to add different activities to physical education. Great activity for cold winter months that usually include many indoor recesses.

Cost: \$5,276.25

Motion: Jenn Second: Rayan

4. Fundraising event updates:

Growing Smiles - Rhonda Breen

- ongoing
- low orders so far

Cards - Susan Harrison

- approximately \$900 in sales for the cards
- shipping will be \$248.29
- funds raised will be around \$650.00

Bake Sale - Katarina Semancikova/Rayan Makawroski

- Raised \$998.25, less table fee and float
- Total profit of about \$838.00
- if this event happens next year, need to look at different ways to work the baking
- perhaps group baking events, smaller quantity requests, etc.

Hot Lunch - Susan Harrison

- looked into Bambora but discovered they only use credit card. Some like PayPal for the other options.
- will stick with PayPal but had to increase some margins to cover costs. Item costs still kept low and no mark up past \$1.00
- PayPal charges 2.9% as well, this is now added to each order and the website has been updated to inform parents of the change.

School Gear - Mandy Skaronek

Toques and bags have arrived, Mandy will set up a sales table at Family literacy night to sell

5. Old Business:

Christmas Bazaar - December 2, 2019: Susan Harrison

- Need to collect last years supplies (left over paper, scissors, tape, etc.) from Amander Chubbs house.
- Drop off/set up Friday Nov. 29, 2-3:30 and Sunday Dec. 1, 1-4.
- Teachers will collect funds from the students and bring to the gym with their class on the day
 of the bazaar.
- Need to check with Lorie about a letter to send home, make sure it includes a note to tell
 parents to send a bag for the presents to go home in.

Vacant or Doubled up positions

Could still use a secretary for both groups and there are some other members that hold more than one position. No one available to fill at this meeting. Will keep this item on old business in the hopes of new members.

6. New Business: None

Next Meeting: Tuesday - January 14, 2020 @ 8:00pm

Motion to Adjourn: Katarina Second: Jenn @ 8:35pm