

Westview School Council Meeting

February 13, 2017

Members Present: Jenn Ross, Susan Harrison, Jeff Porter, Dawn Sudom, Amanda Chubbs, Mandy Skaronek, Jennifer Kennett, Darcy Bruneau, Craig Upper

Apologies for absence: Philippa Gear, Connie-Lee Heath, Leanne Paluch, Jen Hancock, Rhonda Breen, Trisha Holland

Meeting called to order at 7:01pm

Motion to accept January 10, 2017 minutes: Susan Harrison; motion passed

Mental Health presentation - Shannon Noble

Data from counsellors shows that students are doing well emotionally. There has not been a large increase in counselling within the school. Some students have been attending play therapy, which is beneficial. Parents groups are showing more stress which could trickle down to the students.

There will be a new newsletter sent out which will outline resources and activities within our schools and community. Community supports have been asked to provide after school activities when available to help alleviate some stress from parents.

1st anniversary of the evacuation is coming up, fmpsd is predicting and preparing for this event. Not sure of what schools will do to recognize, but a plan will be coming.

There has been an academic gap noticed by teaching staff. This was expected and could take 1-2 years to reverse. Extra supports are being given to grade 12 students because of diploma exams.

Any parents needing additional support can be directed to Shannon or Natali. Jeff has contact information and it will also be included in the newsletter.

Networks Report - Jenn Ross

More discussion about the alternative school year idea. Still nothing definite, but more information was shared. School would return early in August instead of September and there would be some longer breaks spread out through the year.

Public school board trustee election in the fall. As of right now there are still only 5 trustees on our board. FMPD is putting a recommendation forward to increase that number to 7. Our district has had 5 trustees since inception over 100 years ago. It can be hard for our trustees to have a quorum because of conflicting schedules. They also can't attend as many events within the schools because of our increased school numbers.

2017/18 Draft Calendar. School year expected to start September 5th. Winter break would start closer to Christmas and end later into January than this year. Draft calendar goes to the board for approval at the March meeting.

New Business - New survey to fill out if possible. Representing diversity through parents on school council.

<http://www.albertaschoolcouncils.ca/surveys/?id=studentdiversity>

Next Meeting: March 13, 2017

Motion to adjourn: 7:45pm

Westview School Parents Association Meeting

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Meeting called to order @ 7:45pm

Motion to accept January 10, 2017 minutes: Susan Harrison; motion passed

Treasurers Report

Playground: \$26968.69 Casino: \$73073.35 Regular: \$3928.43

Requests for Funding

1. Requestor: Jeff Porter

“Be aware and care” Magician Steve Harmer for Anti Bully Presentation \$838.95

Motion: Amanda Chubbs Second: Jennifer Kennett Passed

2. Requestor: Dawn Sudom (on behalf of all teachers)

Teachers convention funds for classroom supplies \$100 per teacher. All supplies for use in school and to stay in school, so casino funds can be used. Receipts must be handed in to Connie-Lee for reimbursement.

Motion: Jennifer Ross Second: Mandy Skaronek Passed

3. Anti bully t-shirts? No one is sure if parent council has agreed to pay for these already. Shirts are already at the school. Jenn Ross suggested we ask parents to cover some cost at \$5.00/shirt. Those that can will send money, but all students will still receive a shirt.

Breakfast Program - Rhonda Breen

Not in attendance, but program is going well. Student helpers are working out.

Hot Lunch - Susan Harrison

3 Parents came into the school to make soup and freeze for students that have forgotten their lunch. Ordering extra hot lunch has become too costly, so this will replace the extra hot lunch at a lower cost.

Friday, Feb. 17 is the first parent led hot lunch. Parents will be making grilled cheese sandwiches. 82 orders have been placed. Next month will be macaroni and cheese, there will be extra made and frozen for forgotten lunches once soup runs out.

New catering company will be added into the hot lunch rotation for April as a test run.

New Business

1. Flower Fundraiser has been set up with May 11th delivery. Information will go home end of March or beginning of April. We will try to set up paypal to accept online payments. Cut off for orders will be the end of April.
2. March 16th - Family pizza and movie night. Doors open at 6:00pm, the movie Trolls will be played starting at 6:30. Movie will be set up on one side of the gym and tables for supper on the other. Movie entrance will be by donation. Pizza will be pre-sold by the slice as we did last year. Action items:
 - Connie-Lee to check with Pizza hut about pricing and update last years order form as well as set up sign up genius for volunteers for the event.
 - Rhonda to order paper plates, cutlery, napkins and paper popcorn bags from Lone Wolf
 - Amanda to purchase juice boxes and water for drink sales and possibly create flyer if we don't already have one.

Old Business

- Casino Check-in - Still in need of some more volunteers. Everyone please spread the word.
- ASCA conference April 28-30 - Those interested in going and available to commit please contact Jenn Ross. All names will be put into a hat and 2 will be picked randomly.

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Motion to adjourn: Jenn Ross @ 8:45