



School Council Meeting Minutes – Sept. 28, 2022

I. Meeting called to Order at 6:31 by Jan Davies

II. Additions to the agenda

- Picture Day Volunteers (11.6)
- Calendar sync (11.7)

III. Approval of June 15, 2022 meeting minutes - *motion by Jennifer Gordon, second by Jaelyn Belisle*

IV. Approval of Agenda

V. Principals Report – Erin Hurkett

- Staffing update – Mrs. Norton to fill in for Mrs. Kortt while on leave in grade 3
- Assessments – MIPI assessments (math strands from previous grade level) are done twice in the year, start and end, to assist teachers with planning and instruction. Alberta Education assessments in literacy and numeracy to assess phonic and basic numeracy skills in grades 1,2,3 and some grade 4 students. Assessments for grade 2 and 3 have been completed, and the grade 1 and 4 will be done in January. There is potential to receive intervention funding - we hope to find out in a few weeks
- Upcoming events – Terry Fox Walk, Guest Speaker (Elder Sheldon Day chief) for Truth and Reconciliation Week. Sheldon's message will be about unity and kindness.
- Makerspace is up and running – Andy Tyslau (VP) has been coordinating with classroom teachers to organize initial visits for students. Collaboration with teaching staff on connecting makerspace resources to grade specific curriculum.
- Junior/Senior choir and handbells starting soon! Planning to perform in December. Information is on social media and will be sent to parents via school messenger
- Grade 5 volleyball going on this year as well. Information to come out late October, games start in November.
- Picture Day is October 12 (all day) and 13th (PM only)

VI. Teacher Report – Jodie Goruk

- Focus for staff PL this year is Numeracy
- All teachers are looking at how to use workshop model for teaching numeracy; use of rich math tasks and images to support numeracy understanding
- Lots of numeracy resources on hand to use and support student learning with
- Small group of teachers had the chance to have PL with Garfield Gini-Newman last week on creating a thinking classroom – fantastic PL! Hopefully more to come.



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VII. District School Council Report

- No report this month. Meeting is October 10th.

VIII. Treasurer Report

- School council has \$3 388.86 from hot lunch
- Running club generated \$1 774.85 last year
- Total of \$5 155.71
- Discussion at next school council meeting on how to best use the current budget

IX. Committee Report

- Hot lunch
 - Year is planned for hot lunch dates. Info coming out soon for the vendors, dates and the costs for each student. Thanks to the team for organizing this!
- Running club report
 - Postponed to later date

X. Old Business

- Fall fundraiser – honey fundraiser
 - Forever Bee connection (Erin Hurkett)
 - Catalogue of options for honey products and wax products
 - Possible run in November before the holiday season?
- Save the Kids Presentation
 - School presentation at Plaxton on ## for southside schools.
 - Request from SJF for extra funding to support transportation of students to/from the event. Costs were a bit higher than anticipated from last year.
 - **Motion:** *Jennifer Gordon moves to use \$250 to support the presentation from last years ASCA funds for SJF. Seconded by Jamie Walburger.*
 - Discussion of possible parent night this year to use \$500 grant money for school councils. The idea of a literacy evening with Robin Bright was discussed. Erin shared that the cost is \$90 for Dr. Brights presentation (about one hour).
 - Discussion around gaining information on literacy levels for parents to understand more and how to support their children at home with literacy
 - Possibly give info on AB Ed assessments and their data??
 - Idea of refreshments available? No confirmation on this.
 - Looking at November parent council date for this presentation.
 - **Motion:** *Brooke Oviatt motions to spend the \$90 to book Robin Bright for the November school council meeting. Seconded my Jaelyn Belisle.*



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- Parent library – TABLED FOR NEXT MEETING

XI. New Business

- Halloween Dance on Oct. 27 @ 6-730 PM
 - Grade 4/5 students doing food sales – looking for parent helpers from school council?
 - Suggestion was that grade 4/5 parents be asked first to help out
 - Popcorn sales suggested (try to keep it simple) instead of hot dog, snack and drink combo sales. Cotton candy machine also suggested (cost??) Possibility of selling glow sticks as well for the dance.
- Playground paint update – Erin has connected with maintenance a few times, and has no new information or dates on when this will be done.
 - Request also for an additional bike rack on playground side.
- School council date/time change
 - GPMS has 3rd Monday, Division council is 1st Monday
 - Suggestion to move to second Monday?
 - Suggestion of time to move to 7:30 PM start to allow for more parents to come
 - **Motion:** *Jennifer Gordon moves to change the start time of Plaxton School Council to 7:30 PM start.*
 - **Amended Motion:** *Brooke Oviatt suggested amending the time to a 7:15 start, seconded by Jennifer Gordon.*
- Review of location for Spring Gala
 - Discussion on using a larger venue
 - Options to get higher risers so parents can see students?
 - Jodie Goruk shared that supervision here at the school went amazing and it was so easy to have students ready for their routine and in a space where they were easily supervised.
 - Erin shared that the school is looking into purchasing options for staging / risers
 - Discussion was to keep the location at the school for now, with the understanding that this may need to be reviewed as we grow.
- Picture Day
 - Information went out; clarification on the full day vs PM (PM for KG class only)
 - Students should be ready for Oct. 12 for their photos!
- Calendar sync
 - Brooke Oviatt requested that the school have a calendar option for parents to add to their own so events and activities are easily tracked
 - Andy Tyslau shared that Google calendars wont work specifically on our websites, but you could add the calendar option to your iCal or Google.
 - Andy to check into easy of access for adding that for parents.



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- School guide calendar is really good, but does not match the school website (school guide not managed by each school)

XII. Adjournment of 7:39 PM

Action Items	Owner(s)	Deadline	Status
Calendar sync and updates	Andy Tyslau	Oct. 19	In Progress
Nov. 19 Parent Night PL from Robin Bright	Erin Hurkett	Nov. 19	In Progress