

School Council Meeting Minutes - November 2019

Attendance: L. Andary, J. Dean, D. Fredeen, M. Hart, E. Heavin, K. Hemstreet, E. Hillier, M. Jones, K. Macdonald, K. McNabb, C. Reinhart, S. Reinhart, J. Rookes, J. Rysavy, D. Smithson, A. Voice, J. Williams

Welcome/Introductions

Our trustee, Lynette Woodward was in attendance. She spoke to:

- The budget shortfall - the district will not change staffing mid-year, but will dip into the reserves
- The district values: <http://www.rdpsd.ab.ca/OurValues.php>
- The importance of completing the Choice in Education survey <https://extranet.gov.ab.ca/opinio6//s?s=PCedu>

School Report

- **Colin Christensen** shared Google Expeditions
- **LLI (Leveled Literacy Intervention)**. This has been implemented in the school. It is designed for students who are just slightly below grade-level expectations. In the first month, we have been able to “graduate” several students.
- Wellness at DCE. Our HART team is involved with student-led initiatives such as smoothies sales, intramurals, field days, etc. School-wide we have several opportunities for students, including sports teams and clubs, BOKS, and daily PE. As a district, all staff will be participating in a wellness day

City Wide Report

- The district is looking for a new superintendent (Stu Henry is retiring). There was an opportunity to provide input on the attributes of the person to fill this role
- The rest of the meeting focused on the topic covered by Trustee Woodward (see above).

New Business

- **Christmas Activities**. Several events are planned, including Christmas Giving, Plaid Day, Christmas Sweater Day, Winter Fun Day, Cookie Decorating, Christmas Carols, Concert
- **Jersey Raffle**. Mark will explore getting a signed Oiler Jersey to raffle off at the Christmas Concert with the proceeds going to Child Advocacy Centre.
- **Family Support**. If you are aware of a family who would benefit from some support over the Christmas season, please let the administration know.
- **Raffle Wish List**. Some of the ideas for the use of the raffle money: Artist in Residency, Theatre Group, Guest Dance Instructor, Yoga, Inline Skating

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Parents for Don Campbell Society - November 2019

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Treasurer's Report

- Financial Report. K Hemstreet motioned we accept the financial statement as present. J. Rookes seconded. Carried

Committee Report

- **Hot Lunch.** It has been going well. If more parents were able to volunteer there would be a possibility of having more hot lunches.
- **Family Activities/Community Building.** Staff appreciation will happen the week before Christmas break. Lara will put a call-out for donations and volunteers.
- **Health and Wellness.** The BOKS program is up and running. We currently have 80 students participating. There is a Heart Math study running in the grade 5 classroom. Biometrics are being used to train students to use techniques to regulate themselves.

Old Business

- **Raffle Update.** All the books have been spoken for. Many have been turned in already. The school will send an email out next week asking unsold tickets to be returned to the office as there are some families who are able to sell more.

Adjourned. 8:28

Next Meeting: January 21 @ 7pm