

Together, leading by example



Wainwright Elementary School Council Meeting

Monday February 27, 2023

1. Meeting to Order: 7:03

2. Attendance:

Tom Koskie, Anita Sawyer, Shannon Gilchrist, Carlee Whitelock, Michael Whitelock, Stephanie Cooper

3. Add or Delete Items: NIL

4. February 2023 meeting minutes: Approved

Motion: Shannon

Second: Carlee

5. Old Business

- Stakeholders meeting:
 - Meetings held in Kitscoty (Wednesday January 25th) in Vermillion (Thursday January 26th) and virtually (Wednesday Feb 1st)
 - Shannon attended virtual meeting. Discussion regarding EA staff needs.
- Alberta spends the least across the provinces in regards to \$/student.
- Continued discussion regarding the best way to support our students and board in pushing for a new facility. We will compose a letter to our MLA sharing our support, and pushing for more action. Mike to email finished letter to group and send accordingly.
- Discussion regarding new school and options if we aren't granted one.
- Parent Council conference ASCA/AGM Apr 21-23. Please let Mike know if you are interested in attending. We have a grant available that would cover costs associated. Deadline to register is April 1.

6. Correspondence:

- ACSA info pushed to next meeting. ASCA wanting to do a phone survey Feb 15-May. To provide more effective and accountable education system.

7. Reports:

A. Administration: Mr. Koskie

- Kindergarten registration has 33 registrants thus far. This is very encouraging.
- Jump rope for heart Feb 15th raised just under \$9,800. This was a fun day for kids, staff, and community members
- Kinder walk was held on Feb 1st /2nd
- 100 day celebration held in February
- AR sledding celebration for grade 2-6 split between the dugout on 8th avenue and the overpass.
- Teacher convention February 16th/17th. Session's weren't as high quality as previous virtual sessions due to increased expense to in person event
- Pink shirt day February 22nd. Michelle to update further. Kindness conversations, footprint activity, storybooks and discussion questions. WOW programming
- Grade 4-6 students are enrolling in the Building Blocks for Social Skills lunch program by WOW. This includes a movie, mood, and food social, as well as emotional learning opportunities at noon on Thursdays. They will be watching Inside Out.
- After school badminton
- Surveys for students grade 4-6 will be handed out regarding the overall satisfaction of the teachers and school.
- 11th annual superintendent public speaking event April 4th.

B. BTPS Board Trustee: Stephanie Cooper

- Joint use plan agreement with Village of Manville
- Thank stakeholders for participating in the meetings
- Finalizing board tours through the school with understanding why Wainwright is #1 priority on new school list.
- Superintendent interview with prime time news regarding Have a heart day for first nations, division wide learning guide, and annual financial statement.
- BTPS / Lakeland College collaboration for dual credit scenarios.
- Radio ads featuring BTPS students.
- Applied for low incident support services for students with communication needs.
- Increase of 10 students for enrollment
- BTPS contractors received one time payment of \$516.00 each to help with insurance and fuel.
- Budget was reviewed.
- Financial dashboard now viewable on website .
- Students from Wainwright High School, Delnora, and Irma joined in meeting.
- Deputy super intendant is retiring the end of August.

C. WEPA

- Winter Active Day health snacks were provided for all students.
- Jump Rope for Heart Oranges provided for all kids
- Fresh forward collected around \$2500 in profit.
- Fundraising goals of \$25,000 expected to be met by March end.

D. KAP:

- Next meeting March 20th

8. New Business

- Pink shirt day activities discussed.

9. Open Forum: Questions, Concerns, Compliments

- Swimming lessons for students discussed. Repsol declined financing to pay for lessons.
- Bullying discussed
- Discussed protocol regarding injury during school hours. Discretion regarding when to call an ambulance, and parent wishes. The decision to call an ambulance is made in good faith by the supervising adult. Accident forms to be filled out whenever a major injury occurs.
- First Wednesday of the month is staff meetings – could possibly change. Request feedback via email regarding a possible date change for our future meetings.

10. Next Meeting: Monday March 27th

11. Adjourn: 7:57pm