



Parkland Village School Council Minutes

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Meetings are scheduled the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 6pm

January 18, 2023

1. Welcome and Introductions

In attendance: Lindsay Kuelken, Rose Barnes, Micah DeBoer, Chantelle DeBoer, Tiffany Simms, Kimberly Whytock, Chelsea Nixon, Todd Hennig, Lorraine Stewart

2. Approval of Agenda: Lindsay

3. Approval of Minutes from November 23, 2022: Lindsay

- 4. Board Trustee Representative Mrs. Lorraine Stewart
 - Received student conduct and intervention report regarding student discipline and disciplinary principles
 - Vaping continues to be a problem at some schools
 - Student wellness report
 - Each school has developed a health and wellness plan with a representative at each school (Mrs. Nixon at PVS)
 - A pilot project is currently underway with Westview Primary Care Network until December 2024 reviewing mental health needs
 - Alternative education programs
 - 22% of students accessing alternative programming
 - Have seen declining enrollment in virtual learning and distance programming, french immersion, and nature kindergarten
 - Literacy report progress being seen, literacy levels improving
 - Continuing to advocate for replacement school for Spruce Grove Composite High School (school capacity: 1277, current enrollment: 1229)
 - Board approved a K-6 configuration for PVS starting the 23/24 school year. Did not approve the plan for grade 7-9 for PVS students yet, tabled to February board meeting to allow administration to take a deeper look at some details.
 - Transportation services report
 - A pilot of a GPS live tracking system is underway (one rural and one urban); shows when the bus is approaching and when the rider scans on/off
 - Camera upgrade happening on buses
 - Driver shortage ongoing
 - Conversation has begun regarding school fees
 - Transportation works on its own budget (does not come out of classroom

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• There will be a push to move urban and rural rider costs closer together

5. Business Items:

- Principal's Message Mr. Todd Hennig
 - Literacy and numeracy supports
 - PVS has received extra funding for the second half of the year to support learning loss interventions. Some funds have been allocated to the support the professional leads for both literacy and numeracy, and some funds have been allocated to support the kids identified with learning loss
 - Literacy
 - Current literacy lead (Mrs. Parfeniuk) will be supported in her present role with a teacher to come in on a contract basis to do intensive work in the classroom and make sure teachers' approaches are meeting students' needs
 - Will not be adding more intervention groups for literacy
 - Numeracy
 - Numeracy lead (Ms. Lynds) will be given more time to start new numeracy groups, pull more groups out, and work with teachers to make sure what is happening in the classroom is meeting provincial guidelines
 - Mrs. Martha Sommer will be joining PVS part time to teach in the grade one class to allow Ms. Lynds time for numeracy work
 - Character lab: growth mindset
 - Results received from 21-22 report
 - High level of satisfaction from student and teacher results
 - Improvement in academic progress (decrease in learning loss)
- Parent comments
 - Academically it is great that grade 6 will be added, but will grade 6 students miss out on opportunities (compared to larger schools) like choir, sports teams, intramurals, etc.?
 - These are opportunities to explore and create solutions with staff and volunteers to make sure students get to have experiences like the ski trip, camping, etc.
 - Will Cooking Club be coming back? (after school program for grade ³/₄, about 6 week duration, similar to sports club)
- Sports club is currently running with archery after school, will rotate through grade 3, 4, 5
- 6. Teacher Representative Mrs. Chelsea Nixon
 - Students are working to gain independence with their learning, need to continue to build their confidence
 - Students have been very excited about snowshoeing, play parkland
 - School health lead update: breakfast club is ongoing, muffins being made by

Alliance church volunteers, snowshoeing happening, Jump Rope for Heart is upcoming, physical activity stations in the hallway for kids to stay active

- 7. School Council Board Update: Lindsay Kuelken, Rose Barnes, Kimberly Whytock
 - COSC (Council of School Councils)- next meeting February 7, 2023
 - Nov 29 Engagement event at Woodhaven report: Kimberly
 - Parents divided into small groups with teachers as facilitators
 - Many common themes emerged
 - Mental health of students, coping skills lacking, is there enough mental health support in place?
 - Lack of education funding from the government: large class sizes, targeted support from EAs for high needs only, "average" students falling through the cracks as focus is on students below grade level
 - How do we minimize learning loss with current illnesses circulating
 - High school replacement and what to do in the meantime
 - How do schools engage parents as volunteers and advocates to impact change?
 - How to make parents feel welcome in schools
 - Equity for learning

<u>ASCA (Alberta School Councils Association)</u>

- Online Workshops, Webinars & Tutorials for SC Parents: <u>Workshops:</u> <u>Alberta School Councils' Association</u>
- We are eligible for the \$500 grant for council/parent education, can use it for ASCA course, any suggestions?
 - Suggestions for learning: Internet and technology safety, impact of technology on kids, social media responsibility

Hot Lunch Update:

- Dec 23 whole school hot lunch in gym
- Credit will be given for Nov 9 canceled hot lunch on Feb 22 hot lunch
- <u>Upcoming dates</u>- Feb 22, Mar 22, Apr 5 (school wide), May 10, June 29 (school wide, will make plan for kindergarten's last day on Jun 28)
- Christmas hamper update: 10 hampers packaged and distributed to local families

8. Additional Items/New Business

- Request that a reminder be sent in newsletter regarding parking safety, reducing speed in the community/parking lot; bring in peace officers if necessary for safety of students
- Are enhanced cleaning protocols still being followed for the current illnesses circulating? Bathrooms do not always appear clean
 - Mr. Hennig to perform walk through of school to identify concerns
 - Mrs. Stewart requested this be readdressed at next meeting
- Would teachers be open to snacks/supper provided for next parent/teacher interviews?

Meeting Adjourned @ 7:33pm





Parkland Village School Fundraising Association Minutes

Email: <u>PVSFAPresident@gmail.com</u> Meetings are scheduled the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 6pm

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- 1. Call to Order
 - In attendance: Lindsay Kuelken, Rose Barnes, Micah DeBoer, Chantelle DeBoer, Tiffany Simms, Kimberly Whytock, Chelsea Nixon, Todd Hennig
- 2. Review & Approval of Agenda: Tiffany
- 3. Approval of Minutes from November 23, 2022: Rose

4. Reports

• Current Account Balance: \$13,662.78

5. Standing Business

- Little Caesars pizza party prize for Ms. Kaley's class done
- Electronics fundraiser to be paid to Mrs. Wolff upon her request
- Grade 5 ski trip
 - Date booked Feb 8 at Edmonton Ski Club
 - Total cost per child is \$35, price to be paid by parents is \$20/student
- In-line skating residency upcoming
- Fundscrip gift card orders distributed Dec 6
 - Profit of \$273.40
 - No plan to set up ongoing online ordering at this time due to fees and limitations with that method. Can consider another paper campaign in the future.
- Christmas Gift Shop
 - Amazing meal for volunteers
 - Plan for improved communication discussed for future projects
 - Suggestion made to develop financial protocols/processes and clear communication to make it easier for subcommittees to function more independently

6. New Business

- Fundraiser ideas for spring?
 - Consider Calahoo meats fundraiser, was successful last year
 - Look into applying for casino

- 7. Next Meeting of the PVSFA: February 15, 2023
- 8. Meeting Adjourned @ 8:06