

Camilla School Advisory Council Meeting Minutes Tuesday, December 13, 2011

ATTENDANCE (*absent)		Parents and Teachers in Attendance
Chair (also Member at Large and RQB Ag Rep)	Retelle Poitras	Jackie Morin
Vice-Chair (also Gr 7-9 Rep)	Lori Reaville	Ivy Kwan
Secretary (also Community Rep)	Jennifer Haddock	
Treasurer (also Community Rep)	Nadine Hoffman	
Gr. 1-3 Reps	Kimberley Boddez*	
	Amber Kluthe	
Gr. 4-6 Reps	Melissa Lirondelle	
	Brenda Kulka*	
Gr. 7-9 Reps	Charmaine Krywko*	
Members at Large	Lisa Patrick*	
LAC Rep	Naomi Van Brabant	
Headstart Rep	Christie Kieftenbeld	
Staff Reps	Michael Byrne	
	Leanne McMillan	
Ag Society - Calahoo	Reagan Schinbein*	
Trustee	Shelley Porter	
FOC	Jen Flynn	
	Leanne Boissonneault	

Call Meeting to order – 6:33 p.m.

Addition to agenda (by motion) - No additions

Adopt minutes of November meeting (by motion): Retelle made motion; Naomi seconded. All in favour, motion carried.

Old Business

1. Volunteers for School Board Meeting – Meetings are scheduled for Dec 14 & Jan 11. Please advise if you can attend.
2. Grade 9 situation follow-up – Mike Byrne discusses hallway behaviours in jr. high hallway bathroom and reported intimidation of younger students. All teachers are to up the patrols in those areas. They caught a bunch of kids and gave them a warning. Next time, there will be a suspension. Monitoring will continue. All jr. high teachers must be in their classrooms at 8:30 a.m. Support has been given to grade 9 teachers with the classroom behaviour issues. A critical ingredient to helping these issues is parent support and the school has received great parent support with this issue.
3. SAC & FOC meetings - SAC and FOC meetings will be back-to-back starting in January. We will be brief and to the point to move the meeting along. The SAC meeting will run for one hour followed by the FOC meeting. Retelle would like to encourage all SAC members to stay on for the FOC meeting after our SAC meetings in the future as they require our support as parents and members of FOC. We welcome the FOC!
4. SAC Events update - Babysitting course was a success. Thirteen children graduated from the course. Karate is coming in January. Please get all registrations in by Dec 22. Family pictures were done recently. It would be worth doing again but at the beginning of November and with more planning next time. Eight families had their pictures done.

New Business

1. Events for the new year - If anyone has new ideas for events for the new year, ideas are welcome. The projector is in the school now so we are hoping to have a family movie night. Other events coming up are the Plant and Bake sale and Teacher Appreciation. Out next meeting Jan 10th at 6:30 with the FOC meeting starting at 7:30. This is the first week the children are back to school.

Reports:

Please submit written reports prior to meeting via email to Retelle: retelleforcamilla@gmail.com

1. Administration: Some parents have been asking about ordering school clothing. 1400 to 2000 pieces are typically ordered. It is a lot of work for a staff member to oversee. A compromise 2 – 3 parents from SAC could volunteer to oversee the school clothing order. Some pieces of clothing could be here as alternative for people to purchase as needed or wanted or for pieces to be here to try on and order. Lori volunteered to take over the order process; to take orders and have people try on and order their items. Jennifer told her she would help. We will follow up with Ryan Akins. The projector screen is in but it is buzzing so they are working on it. The projector is fantastic and has great clarity. WITS program – first report and how we compared

to other schools in Alberta and we scored well. There are a few areas to work on. Staff changes – Ms. Tonhauser is leaving on Dec 23rd for another position. Mr. Michael Kurschat will take over Ms. Tonhauser’s grade 5 and 6 music classes. They will hire for a technology teacher who will also teach the jr. high option media tech. Due to funding, Tawney McRae has been hired as a teacher’s aide and Monica Kieftenbeld will be now teaching in all of the jr high classes.

2. Trustee – No report.
3. Staff – Ms. Ivan Kwan was in attendance. On behalf of staff, thank you to SAC for decorating teacher’s lounge and leaving goodies. There are lots of festive happenings throughout the school. Leadership is showing such abilities in all their events like the tree of giving and families have been very generous with families sending in items. There have been the 12 days of Christmas classroom challenges put out by Leanne McMillan, vice principal. Jr. high reading with little ones, etc.
4. Chair – Retelle and Lori went to Council of School Councils meeting. Every school has similar concerns like not getting casino times, volunteer burnout and everyone wants a new playground. Community health resource coordinator was there. It is a new position. Her job is getting everyone on right path – problems with learning or problems at home. We could arrange to have her come in to provide information as a resource person. There is another CSC meeting in February.
5. FOC – Jen Flynn and Leanne Boissonneault were present. Projector is in and it was a bit more expensive than originally thought but the money is there to cover it. Clickers for promethean boards are ordered. It is a voting system where students can click their answers without peers seeing what they are clicking but the teacher can see who is answering what and can therefore identify areas of strengths and improvements when using this tool.
6. ECS – Naomi reports starting skating in January. Field trip to paradise pets, innovations and bowling in January.
7. Headstart - Received cookie dough ordered. This year the orders were increased by about 500. Just went on field trip to 4 Cats paint studio. It was a great field trip. With wide range of ages and abilities of children in Headstart program, this one was wonderful as all of the children could participate. Skating in January.
8. Calahoo Ag – Rep not in attendance.
9. RQB Ag – Ag meeting Jan 17 at 7:30 p.m. Skating birthday parties are available to book. Family Hockey Tournament and dance on the 21st of January 7:30 to 2 a.m. Admission free. They now have a Facebook page. \$25 membership fee. Ice rental available on Saturday evenings. Contact Celin. Public skating on 23 and 30th of December.

Additions to Agenda: No additions

Bouquets:

To Leanne McMillan for the guitar and fiddle program. To Metis Nation for giving us this opportunity for our guitar and fiddle program.

Adjournment: 7:26 p.m.