



Minutes - May 21, 2019

School Advisory Council Meeting

Call to Order - 6:05pm

Attendees - Marla Zubiak, Sharon Boddez, Veronica Schoenberger, Angela Fehr, Charmaine Krywko, Joe Dwyer, Amy Cloutier, Stacey Mizera, Sherry Mahe, Kelly Parrent, Kristen Moltzan, Rick Dawson, Jennifer Bruinsma, Trish Normandeau, Darla Soetaert

Welcome - Jen welcomed new admin team Rick & Kristen, round table intros

Approval of Agenda - any changes? Amber asked to move Amy Soetaert up in agenda.

Amy Soetaert -

Pride Week Activities (Mon June 3 - Thurs June 6): Amy's Leadership students are involved in planning events for Pride Week. Information will go out to parents in a newsletter once finalized, but here are some of the plans so far:

-Monday /Display set up in library with books on diversity, pride literacy, grade 4-6 Genderbread person talks about what makes a person, gr 7-9 Guest Speaker Terry Soetaert

-Tuesday /Students can participate in making a flag (flag can be anything they feel), discussion on the colors of the pride flag and what each color represents (it was suggested to include this information in parent newsletter)

-Wednesday /Chalk art outside - match older kids with younger kids, fun event

-Thursday /Wear bright clothes, bring flag, walk to back of the school and have some fun activities set up ie. face painting, parachute, etc.

If questions, contact Amy at the school or by email amy.soetaert@sturgeon.ab.ca

Motion for Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting - Veronica made motion, Trish seconded. Carried.

Treasurer Report

- Current Bank Balance \$2,425.94
- Darla made motion to pay outstanding expenses to Darla, Marla and Amber for the year (see attached detailed expenses), Trish seconded. Carried.
- Motion to purchase retirement gift/GC - Sharon Banham retiring *Give her at June Meeting as she may be at the school.

Meet & Greet - 2019 Admin Team - Thank you for joining us!

- Principal Mr. Rick Dawson
- Vice Principal Mrs. Kristen Moltzan

Old Business

- Bathroom Stall Painting - Tabled until the fall or later date if interest.
- Vaping Speaker - any update? Sharon reported that AHS will show video to students, but it is just on tobacco use. Jen said PARTY program for grade 9s has been booked for the fall.

New Business

- Amy Cloutier - Free BBQ Lunch June 20th has been donated - would like input on best way to serve - Christmas lunch buffet style or by classroom, Jen suggested by classroom and will help organize. Call for Volunteer will go out.

Reports

- Principal/Vice Principal/Teacher's report (see attached for more info) - Staffing line up - class configurations still same from last reported. Went through the staff list for next year - will be published in June newsletter. Parents with class request will have to request via submission form and closing date will be set (ie. June 10-14th tentative dates) Incite Communication Group/Rebranding Sturgeon School - has identified strengths/weaknesses & what is unique. Sturgeon School Division will be rebranded as Sturgeon Public Schools. Year end awards dates - Wed June 26 AM for gr 1-6, Thur June 27 AM gr 7-9, June 28th ½ day school day reminder. New school build - current understanding is bids open May 28th. Our School Survey Report data - key areas highlights and data results *interpretation of questions and small classes sway data quite a bit. A tool for staff (internal use) but please direct any questions or concerns to Jen.
- Trustee - Budget, figures are unknown until fall, partly due to govt changes. SIF funding (classroom fund ie.EA) has been eliminated. Could affect staffing and class sizes. Important for parents/parent councils to speak out to MLAs show concerns for education budgets. For more info, please contact Joe. SSD has award for Indigenous Spirit - Camilla school student received honorable mention. Amy Soetaert was also thanked for her role going above and beyond with her students.
- Grade 1: learning about word families and perfecting writing 3 connected ideas (beginning, middle, end). Working on mental math & 2D and 3D shapes. In Science - learning about plants and animals and in Social, they are exploring their family trees and learning about the past. Took a field trip to the Little White School House to learn what it was like to be a grade 1 student in the 1950's. Have an adventure planned to the Sturgeon School Division outdoor classroom at the end of the month. They are hoping to have some grandparents volunteer for the fieldtrip so they can participate in oral storytelling and connect with them about what life was like for them when they were kids.
- Grade 2: Science- wrapped up Buoyancy and Boats unit with a boat race using the wooden paddle boats made during a fieldtrip in April. Received little caterpillars and will be observing and learning about the lifecycle as part of the Small, Crawling and Flying Creatures unit. In LA, 2F received another round of letters from their pen pals in England. They are preparing a Canada booklet to send to their pen pals to teach them more about our country. For Mother's Day, they made clay butterfly sculptures. Last week the grade 2 classes had an in school field trip where they created soapstone sculptures.
- Grade 3: went on a fieldtrip to the Winspear to listen to the ESO perform Seasonal Soundscapes. did a book study using an array of leveled novels & are creating commercials promoting their books. The grade 3s read an article about Buddy Benches and after some discussion, decided that they might help kids in our school find a buddy to play with at school. The students made signs and asked Paul to find a way to put the signs up behind a couple of benches on the playground. Next week the grade 3s will go to each of the K-4 classes to explain the concept. In Science, they are enjoying the life cycles unit watching insects and frog eggs develop. 3S enjoyed making pancakes and cutting up fruit as part of their monthly baking last week.
- **CSSA - AGM June 18th @ 6:45 School Library** - Positions available. Thank you to those who helped with track meet concession and big thank you to Trish for organizing the concession!

Murder mystery made over \$11,000! Thanks to all of the volunteers and sponsors that helped to make the Murder Mystery evening a great success! Veronica and Trish have been in contact with a few playground companies and have started work on a few design options using input from staff and students. We had our final hot lunch last week. A huge thanks to Amy Cloutier, the hot lunch coordinator, for organizing the amazing hot lunch program this school year.

Celebrations

- Joseph & the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat - Great show! Bouquets to Mr. Layton, Mrs. Upshaw, Camilla students and all involved!
- Mrs. Amy Soetaert for above and beyond leadership!

Date of Next Meeting - **Tuesday June 18, 2019**

Motion to Adjourn - Marla motioned, Veronica seconded 7:06. AGM to follow.