

Jessie Duncan Elementary School
School Council Meeting
Wednesday, October 16, 2019
Minutes

- 1.0 Call to order at 7:02pm by Chairperson Stephanie Willmer

Members present:

Stephanie Willmer, Chairperson
Nora Semchuk, Vice-Chairperson
Natalie Collett, Treasurer
Natasha Caissie, Secretary
Kory Sholdice, Principal
Becca Hutchins, Vice-Principal
Ken Denson, Councillor Town of Penhold
Jamie Seiyama, Family Resource Coordinator
Stacie Wadin, Director
Tori King, Director
Elizabeth Dahl, Director
Kristyn Sutherland, Director
Angela van de Loop, Parent
Ridehl Wilson, Past Chairperson

Members Absent:

Sherry Cooper, School Board Trustee

- 2.0 **Welcome/Introductions**

Stephanie Willmer welcomed everyone to the meeting

- 3.0 **Approval of Agenda**

Motion to approve the Agenda.
Moved By: Stacie Wadin
Seconded By: Natalie Collett
CARRIED

- 4.0 **Approval of Minutes from September 18, 2019 meeting**

Motion to approve the Minutes.
Moved By: Nora Semchuk
Seconded By: Stacie Wadin
CARRIED

- 5.0 **Reports/Updates**

a) **School Report**

- Chelsea Williams will replace Chrissy Crebas during her maternity leave

- First field trips of the year occurred with the Grade 1's going to the Jungle Farm. They had been rescheduled due to weather but all went well
- Power assemblies will continue this year with the addition of why the child received the award being documented on the certificate
- Gifts for Grandparents will continue this year
- Remembrance Day ceremony will be November 7 10:30 am at Penhold Crossing
- Christmas Concert will be held at Jessie Duncan this year due to conflicts in transporting students to rehearsal space in previous years. Will occur over two nights and will have mixed grades. Dates to be finalized shortly, looking at solutions to parking issues

i) Breakfast Program Update

- Danita Duffy was hired to run the breakfast program. She has a strong background in food preparation. She will start Monday, however the toast program will continue for a few more days. Kids will get their food in the Grade 3 boot room and get to sit in the hall to eat with possibly using the gym as an alternative eating area.

ii) Teachers Report

- In the process of getting a representative to collect and pass along the information
- Reading buddies have started pairing Grades 2 with Kindergarteners and Grade 3 with Grade 1
- Mrs. Rintoul will continue her kindness buddy club as part of the Health curriculum

iii) Presenters

- A list of presenters was given to Stephanie to look over which allows Parents Society to have input into who should come. It was requested that the teachers could narrow down the choice to choose from.
- It was suggested that the Medicine Wheel presentation be a good place to start
- Presenters need to be intentional and driven by the needs found in the school

iv) Medicine Wheel

- An artist and teacher in Olds created an emblem for each school in Chinooks Edge
- An elder will need to be present to present and hang the wheel.

- b) **School Board Trustee's Report** – (Sherry Cooper is absent)
 - Sherry sends her regards she cannot be in attendance

- c) **Town of Penhold Report**
 - i) Ken Denson, *Councillor Town of Penhold*
 - Crime and Safety committee started up, info is available on the town website, they are looking for new members
 - Town is working with CARTS (Central Alberta Regional Trails Society) which is a collaboration from Lacombe, Red Deer, Penhold, Innisfail and surrounding counties, to help develop trail systems
 - Budget- waiting on the Provincial budget to be released, if anyone has suggestions to send them to the town
 - Preparation for the town Remembrance Day Ceremony is occurring. It will take place on November 9
 - Reminder to vote in upcoming Federal election October 21

 - ii) Jamie Seiyama, *Child/Youth Coordinator*
 - Halloween Spooktacular October 25 6-8pm
 - Parent conference November 23 held in Innisfail, Free to attend Keynote speaker with morning and afternoon sessions, limited childcare available

- d) **Executive's Report**
 - i) **Correspondence**
 - Monthly newsletter from ALIGN
 - Letter from the Town thanking volunteers for helping at the Fall Festival

 - ii) **Community Services Advisory Board (CSA)**
 - Town opened up the Charity Check stop; believe it is a good fundraiser opportunity as previous group has raised between \$1200-2000 in the past so an application to the town was filled out

6.0 Business arising from prior Minutes

- a) School Council Annual Report
 - Has been completed

7.0 New Business

- a) ASCA Task Force
 - The task force sends out a short survey (4-5 questions) each month; believe it is a good way to have councils voice out there as well as staying up-to-date with what is going on
 Decision to register with the ASCA task force occurred with Nora Semchuk and Stephanie Willmer as our representitives

8.0 Next meeting Date and Adjournment

- Next meeting will be on Wednesday November 20, 2019 at 7pm
- Meeting adjourned at 7:33h

Minutes Approved on the 20 day of November, 2019.

W. Williams _____ *Chairperson*

A. Ash _____ *Secretary*