

**Jessie Duncan Elementary School
School Council Annual General Meeting
Wednesday, September 18, 2019
Minutes**

1.0 Meeting Called to Order at 7:07pm by Chairperson Ridehl Wilson

Members Present:

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

Members Absent:

Jennifer Rowe, *Director*
Heather Neufeld, *Director*
Jill Anders, *Director*

2.0 **Welcome/Introductions**

Ridehl Wilson welcomed everyone to the meeting.

3.0 **Approval of Agenda**

Motion to approve the Agenda.
Moved By: Stephanie Willmer
Seconded By: Stacie Wadin
CARRIED

4.0 **Approval of Minutes from May 15, 2019 meeting**

Motion to approve the Minutes.
Moved By: Natalie Collett
Seconded By: Natasha Caissie
CARRIED

5.0 **Information package, meeting overview, ASCA**

Ridehl Wilson introduced the package and explained what could be found in it. The voting procedures for the School Council meetings was also explained.

6.0 **Reports/Updates**

a) **School Report**

- Smooth start up. Kim Klassen is new to the school and is teaching music. Also new to the school is Crystal Vanderham who is an EA for Grade 3.

- An Early Literacy Intervention program is starting this year with an EA working mostly full time on it.
 - Farm Safety presentations are happening this week.
 - The Terry Fox run is tomorrow.
 - Orange Shirt Day on September 30th.
 - The Friday PD day for staff will have a blanket exercise providing a first nations/inuit history lesson and a one smart world presentation for team building.
- b) **School Board Trustee's Report** (Sherry Cooper)
- First board meeting occurred on September 11th, the new board chair is Allan Tarnoczi. Sherry is on the policy, negotiation and transportation committees.
 - Sherry is running for an executive position in the Rural Caucus.
 - It has been challenging to make budget decisions without the provincial budget being available. The schools are funded based on September 30th enrollment; therefore, they are expecting a provincial budget to be released in October.
 - Regulations have passed over the summer, the Grade 4 curriculum did not pass and the deadline for re-certification of bus drivers has been pushed until next July.
- c) **Town of Penhold Report** (Jamie Seiyama and Ken Denson)
- Jamie Seiyama, *Family Resource Coordinator*
 - Thank you to all who volunteered at the fall festival.
 - Smile cookies will be available at Tim Hortons from Sept 16-22 with proceeds going to PYC.
 - Family week is the first week of October with a games night, drop-in family gym, play day and skating planned throughout the week.
 - Ken Denson, *Councillor Town of Penhold*
 - Critters Corner playground has been completed.
 - Fall Festival was a success.
 - Money has been set aside for some paving projects.
 - Planning sessions in October have a recreation focus.
 - Discussions ongoing with the school board with hopes of a new school.
- d) **Executive's Report**
- (i) Correspondence/Email
 - None
 - (ii) Community Services Advisory Board (CSA)
 - Not attended

7.0 Business arising from prior Minutes

- a) Staff Appreciation
- The June lunch that was served to the staff received rave reviews. \$230.32 was spent.
- b) School Council Survey Results
- 31 responded
 - 30% didn't know the role of student council. Information packets were provided at this meeting for that reason.
 - Seemed to be interest in education and awareness sessions and family fun nights.
 - 90% supported fundraising to replace the playground next to the NE section of the school.
 - Best method for communication was the school newsletter and letters/updates sent home.

- Most would choose to volunteer their time for special events.

8.0 **New Business**

a) Annual School Council Report

- A summary of the past year and the minutes need to be filed soon.

b) Elections: Chairperson; Vice Chairperson; Secretary; Treasurer; Directors

- Prior to elections, Ridehl read out the descriptions for each position.
- Outgoing Executive as follows:
 - Chairperson: Ridehl Wilson
 - Secretary: Angela van der Loop
 - Directors: Jennifer Rowe, Heather Neufeld and Jill Anders
- Parent Society Executive Elected at this Annual General Meeting on Wednesday, September 18, 2019 are as follows:
 - Chairperson: Stephanie Willmer by acclimation
 - Vice Chairperson: Nora Semchuk by acclimation
 - Secretary: Natasha Caissie by acclimation
 - Treasurer: Natalie Collett by acclimation
 - Directors: Stacie Wadin, Tori King and Elizabeth Dahl.

9.0 **Next Meeting Date and Adjournment**

- Next Meeting will be on Wednesday, October 16, 2019 at 7pm.
- Meeting Adjourned at 7:35h.

Minutes Approved on the 16 day of OCT, 2019.

[Signature] Chairperson

[Signature] Secretary