# Jessie Duncan Elementary School School Council Minutes

Wednesday January 17, 2024 @ 6:00 pm

### 1.0 Call to order 6:08pm by Chairperson Brandi Filipchuk

# Members present:

Brandi Filipchuk, Chairperson Ellen McKane, Vice-Chairperson Natasha Caissie, Secretary Brooke Frenette, Treasurer Kory Sholdice, Principal Susan Dillabough, Vice-Principal Sherry Cooper, School Board Trustee Margo Gruenewald, Teacher Representative Cameron Galiski, Councillor Town of Penhold Laura Gillam, Director William Langlois, Director (via online) Whitney Usselman, Director Lisa Kurp, Parent Courtney Nygren, Parent Amber Regnier, Parent

#### **Members Absent:**

Jamie Seiyama, FCSS Laurin Levick, Director Cassandra Mierau, Director Myranda Radomske, Director

#### 2.0 Approval of Agenda

Moved By: Ellen McKane Second: Whitney Usselman CARRIED

### 3.0 Approval of Minutes from November 15, 2023 meeting Moved By: Whitney Usselman

Second: Laura Gillam CARRIED

# 4.0 **Reports/Updates** (15-20 minutes)

- a) School Report Kory Sholdice, Principal & Susan Dillabough, Vice-Principal
  - i) Christmas Concert feedback heard positive feedback from parents as they left, Seniors were invited to watch practices during the day

one on one support (social/emotional/family challenges), referrals from admin/school staff, self-referrals or parents

- Learning Support Team (in school)- Quiet kits, quiet areas in the classroom, soft lights, sensory room
- viii) ASCA Conference
  - April 26-27 AGM April 28 in Edmonton
  - Division would like to help offset costs for delegates (pay for conference fees & hotel
  - Looking for names of interested parties by February 2
- ix) Gaga Ball Pits/ Playground Refurbishment Update
  - Huge hit with the kids-schedule made to accommodate large number of kids wanting to play
    - -\$1000 donation from company + \$900 from account
    - -Penhold Building Supplies helped with the wood
  - Scholocky quotes quite high -still looking into it, possible donations for cement & work
  - Shed & loose parts to come
  - Playground refurbish- still waiting on information
- x) Outdoor Classroom Update- Tipi, Plaque
  - Plaque is mounted outside
  - Fertilizer & spray for grass in the spring
- b) Teacher Report Margo Gruenewald, Teacher Representative (5-10 minutes)
  - Grade 3- basic math facts, addition & subtraction to 1000 with or without remainders, novel studies, writing-beginnings/ends and extending work, Matter unit, water cycle, finished India, starting to learn about Peru
  - Grade 2-2D shapes, numbers to 100, addition & subtraction strategies, beginning/middle/ends to stories, expanding sentences (details), Light & Sound unit, Meteghan
  - Grade 1- letter review, placing letters together (CVC) to make words, reading skills, beginning writing, addition & subtraction to 10, teen numbers, Communities unit, Matter & Energy
  - Kindergarten-letters, numbers 1-5, assessments for report cards, Winter centers, Doctor's office & Post office centers
- c) School Board Trustee's Report Sherry Cooper, *School Board Trustee* (5-10 minutes)
  - Finances approved-was audited by an outside public source, there was no challenges, sent into Government to review
  - Risk assessment still occurring

- e) Executive's Report (5 minutes)
  - i) Casino Dates \*Update\*- April 18-19/2024

### 5.0 Business arising from prior Minutes (5 minutes)

- a) ASCA Workshops The Work of School Council or School Councils Purpose. Any interest in taking either of these Webinars?
  - If not Alberta School Council Engagement (ASCE) Grant usage ideas.
  - \$290 left to use this year
  - ASCA conference?
  - Nutrition & making food item?
  - Tabled to next meeting

### 6.0 New Business

- a) Student to student relationships
  - Eg. crushes/girlfriend/boyfriend
  - How does the school address these issues?
  - School message is girls/boys that are friends not girl/boy friends
  - School finds talking to individuals makes bigger influence than addressing the whole group

# 7.0 Next meeting Date and Adjournment

- Next meeting will be on Wednesday February 21, 2024
- Meeting adjourned at 7:42pm

Minutes Approved on the 15 day of February, 20 24.

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