

# TIMBERLEA SCHOOL COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, January 16, 2018

IN ATTENDANCE: Waleed Najmeddine      Erin Piercey      Deanna Hoffer  
Kim Snow      Shauna Bulbeck      Paul Wohlgemuth  
Erika Doka

Meeting called to order @ 7:03 p.m.

Erin welcomes everyone to the meeting.

1. Adoption of agenda with additions or deletions
  - Agenda approved as is
2. Approval of minutes from previous meeting
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3. Administration's report
  - Mr. Najmeddine**
    - Staffing
      - i. Ellen Polegato position increased to 1.0 FTE (Phys. Ed. 1-6, Gr. 4 homeroom MWF)
        1. Ms. Polegato currently on medical leave; returning Jan. 22 part-time. Will resume teaching gr. 4 and ease her way back in to teaching Phys. Ed.
      - ii. Mary Ellen Downey illness
        1. in Hospital in Edmonton.
    - Archery
      - i. Club sessions changed to weekly and reduced to 2 per week
      - ii. Wednesdays 7:00 - 7:45 a.m.; Tuesdays 2:50 - 3:50 p.m.
      - iii. 12 students maximum per session - students were selected based on attendance, dedication, performance
      - iv. More can be added if/when more targets are available
    - "Wolf's Den" Golf Simulator
      - i. Vanessa Oliver (EA) starting after school on Wednesdays (Jan 24)
      - ii. 2 putting mats are currently on order
    - Basketball gr. 5-6
      - i. Mrs. Kelly and Ms. Polegato to coach (Jan 18)
      - ii. Boys and Girls team. Boys team is full, may need to dip into gr. 4's to fill the girls team.
    - WITS Program
      - i. Monthly visits for story-telling, reinforcing WITS strategies are ongoing
    - FMPSD Board "Spotlight on Students"
      - i. Archery Program highlighted; very positively received by trustees
      - ii. Walter and Gladys Hill added program after presentation :)

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- Christmas Concert Dec. 21
    - i. Excellent attendance and positively received by guests
    - ii. Students and staff performed wonderfully
    - iii. Parent Input - it was a nice format. parents actually stayed until the end this year.
  - FMPSD Board Trustees visit Jan. 9
    - i. Gr. 3 STEAM class - Ozobot programming
  - Accountability Pillar Surveys
    - i. Parent Survey sent in mail starting Jan. 5
    - ii. Student and teacher surveys to be completed online
    - iii. Parent Input - noted that a parent had received a survey for children in gr. 4 and gr. 5. Usually it's just for parents of gr. 4. Should both be completed?
      - 1. Waleed will look in to this
    - iv. Add a note in the Principal's Weekly email as a reminder for parents to complete the survey
  - OurSchool Survey
    - i. Survey for all gr. 4-6 students
    - ii. Measures student responses to questions about social/emotional, physical health, demographic information, bullying, academic performance
      - 1. Room to add a few questions specific to the school
        - a. School will get these results
      - 2. Results go to District
  - Important Dates
    - i. Wed. Jan. 24 - Golfing Club @ 2:45 p.m.
    - ii. Fri. Jan. 19 - District PD Day (no classes)
    - iii. Wed. Jan. 24 - FMPSD Board meeting @ 3:00 p.m. District Office
    - iv. Fri. Feb. 2 - District PD Day (Assessment Practices)
    - v. Mon. Feb. 5 - Joint Networks Committee meeting @ 7:00 p.m. District Office
    - vi. Feb. 7 & 8 - Term 2 Parent Teacher Interviews. Sign-up will be open soon
    - vii. Tue. Feb. 13 - School Council Meeting @ 7:00 p.m.
    - viii. Feb. 16 - 19 - Alberta Winter Games - some schools hosting competitors in gym.
    - ix. Mon. Feb. 19 - Family Day (no school)
    - x. Feb. 26 - Mar. 2 - Teachers' Convention Break (no school)
4. Discussion on New Electronic Sign
- Current sign
    - i. Not HD
    - ii. Limited options for programming
    - iii. Does what it needs to do, not a high priority to replace (Waleed)
  - Received a couple quotes - anywhere from \$30,000 - \$40,000 to replace
  - Parent Input - Sign seems to do its job. Probably lots of other things that money could be spent on that would impact the kids directly.

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5. Triple P Parenting/Circle of Security parenting classes
  - Parenting classes available at the HUB and Hospital
  - If there was enough interest classes could be set-up at the school.
  
6. Network Committee
  - District's Policy on Inclement weather
    - i. Our school goes by combined temperature of -20 or below = indoor recess/supervision
    - ii. Leader's meeting - discussed how to make it the same across the board
      1. Decided to use the Weather Network app to make weather decisions.
    - iii. Closing Schools
      1. Policy in place that schools will always be open (even if only 1 staff member can make it) in case a student gets dropped off.
  - Samaritan's Purse
    - i. Operation Shoe box - our school does not participate in this
    - ii. Parent brought forth concerns to the Public School Board regarding the Religious beliefs of Samaritan's Purse.
      1. Against LGBT community
      2. Make any volunteers sign a document stating they do not support LGBT
    - iii. How do we feel about it?
      1. General consensus was that we should be supporting organizations with similar values/beliefs as the district.
      2. Was asked if District should make a policy regarding approved charities?
        - a. Members in attendance don't feel this is needed. Maybe just avoid controversial charities.

Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, February 13 at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting dates for the remainder of the year

Tuesday, March 13

Tuesday, April 17

Tuesday, May 15

Tuesday, June 12

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.