

TIMBERLEA SCHOOL COUNCIL MINUTES

January 17, 2019

IN ATTENDANCE: Waleed Najmeddine Kelly Koban Deanna Hoffer
Erin Piercey

Meeting called to order @ 7:04 p.m.

Kelly welcomes everyone to the meeting.

1. Adoption of agenda with additions or deletions
 - Agenda approved as is
2. Approval of minutes from previous meeting
 - November minutes approved as typed
3. Principal's report
 - Mr. Najmeddine**
 - Christmas Dinner and Christmas Concert
 - i. Parent feedback?
 1. Concert
 - a. went well. Students performed extremely well, especially for not having a music teacher.
 - b. Length was perfect
 2. Dinner
 - a. food was good but lots of leftovers
 - b. A little hectic - need to have people in charge of specific areas
 - c. no plugs for sinks in multi-purpose room made clean up difficult
 - d. served close to 500 people
 - e. Christian School very appreciative
 - PALS - Physical Activity Leaders
 - i. 2 hours training for students in grades 4-6 ("Be Fit for Life")
 - ii. Intramurals, recess, DPA, activities, etc.
 - iii. ~20 students received certificates
 - iv. T-shirts, vests for PALS leaders...?
 1. Noted that Parent Association would be able to purchase a jersey style shirt
 - Oversized games
 - i. oversized connect 4 (standing height), jenga
 - ii. Submit a request to Parent Association. This is something that they could definitely purchase

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Principal's report continued

- Archery
 - i. March to June 2019
 - ii. Timberlea has already offered to host a district tournament
 - iii. WG Hill, FMCS and Beacon Hill likely to participate
- Tech and Trades Academy
 - i. January and February - INventions (Mr. Najmeddine); Movie Making (Mrs. Harris)
 - ii. 3 Nintendo Labo and Switch kits provided by FMPSD Tech Dept.
 1. use kit to make their own inventions
 - iii. FMPSD Inventors Fair (March 30?)
- YMCA (Timberlea)
 - i. Requested more space at Timberlea from District
 - ii. Current Capacity ~50 children (kindercare and before/after school care)
 - iii. Timberlea students - 24, FMCS - 6, St. Anne - 16
 - iv. After consulting with TL principal, District declined their request and directed YMCA to put our kids first
 1. Will need to work with YMCA to ensure they pick our kids first (TL & FMCS)
 2. Catholic students to be placed on a waitlist until August registrations
 3. Fill remaining spaces from Catholic waitlist
- Extra-Curricular Activities
 - i. Basketball gr. 5-6 (4 tournaments) - end of March
 - ii. Tech and Trades Academy gr. 4-6 - end of May
 - iii. Art Club (gr. 2-3) - June
 - iv. Learning through the Arts (gr. 4-6) - 9 weeks starting Jan. 21
- Important Dates
 - i. Fri. Jan. 18 - District PD Day (no classes)
 - ii. Wed. Jan. 23 - Vista Ridge ski day (gr. 4-6)
 - iii. Tue. Feb. 5 - Toque Tuesday; Chinese New Year
 - iv. Wed/Thur. Feb. 6&7 - Parent Teacher Interview
 - v. Fri. Feb. 8 - District PD Day (no classes)
 - vi. Mon. Feb. 18 - Family Day (no school)
 - vii. Feb. 25 - Mar. 1 - Teachers' Convention Week (no school)
 - viii. Wed. Mar. 6 - District Pink Shirt Day

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4. Networks Meeting Report

- Google accounts for education
 - i. naming of accounts changed
 - ii. google hangouts - gone
 - 1. something similar in google classrooms - more monitored
 - iii. who owns account?
 - 1. the user (child)
 - iv. teachers/admin/parents - committee to review google apps
- ASCA
 - i. 2 parents from each school able to attend. Registration fees will be paid by District
 - ii. Happening end of April
- Div 2 Report Cards
 - i. until new curriculum is rolled out, not looking at changing report cards
- UofA Mental Health Report
 - i. grades 7-12 in 2016/17 school year surveyed
 - ii. shocking numbers of student population who expressed depression and suicidal thoughts
 - iii. our district has a lot of mental health support
- Accountability Pillar Survey
 - i. grades 4-6
 - ii. available online this year
 - iii. table with ipads to do survey at PTI's??
- Poster from Trustees
 - i. Unsure where poster came from. Was given at the end of the meeting and told to discuss it.
 - ii. Looking at only having 1 provincially funded school system
 - iii. 7 out of 13 provinces do not have separately funded systems

5. Future Meeting Dates

- Tuesday, February 12 @ 7
- Thursday, March 14 @7
- Tuesday, April 9 @ 7
- Thursday May 23 @ 7 *AGM proposed
- Tuesday June 11 @ 7
- Suggested to move AGM to April in case there's no June meeting. That way there's time for changeover if needed

6. Parent Association Update

- Discussed Allan's email and how it applies/doesn't apply to us
- Talked about Hot Lunch program

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7. New K-4 Curriculum - public website: newlearnalberta.ca
 - Two examples of Literacy “Knowledge and Understanding” items:
 - Kindergarten (typically ages 4-5)
 - i. Word Formation
 1. Children know the relationship between letters and sounds.
Example:
 2. Jolly Phonics Program: sounds list starts with letters like S, T, P, N, short A and Short I as foundations for reading
 - Division I (typically ages 6-8)
 - i. Word Formation
 1. Students know how letter sounds and letter patterns form words (e.g. common affixes, basic compound words)
Examples:
 2. sh-(forms words such as show, ship, sheep)
 3. Adding - s to many words to make plurals (one book, many books)
 4. Compound words such as bedtime, haircut, airplane
 5. Long vowel, consonant, “magic E” pattern (cake, hope, like)
 - Kindergarten (typically ages 4-5)
 - i. Conventions
 1. Children understand that oral language has a grammatical structure
Example:
 2. simple sentence structure)noun, verb, object or phrase:
Carly draws a picture)
 - Division I (typically ages 6-8)
 - i. Conventions
 1. Students begin to understand and use conventions of language (grammatical structure, symbols, notations, punctuation, capitalization, and spelling) to comprehend and communicate texts.
Examples:
 2. understanding when to use capital letters, periods, question marks, exclamation marks in writing.

8. Extra-curricular activities - update

- see Principal’s Report. All activities were covered there.

Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, February 12 at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.