



## School Council Meeting Minutes

Date: September 5, 2024

Time: 6:30pm

Present	Megan Banks, Kalee Fogarty, Jodie Guenther, Matt Russell, Julie Gutowski, Devon Sawby, Melissa Bevin, Lindsay Kelly, Andrew Poole, Kim Mayhew, Jodie Guenther, Kiran Dhaliwal, Laurisha Carty, Lisa MacEachern, Allyson Windrim, Melyssa Bowen, Robin Swaffield, Cheryl Steadman
Regrets	
Call to Order	6:40pm - Megan Banks
Approval of Minutes	Approved from May 2nd, 2024 1st – Julie Gutowski 2nd – Jodie Guenther All in favour
Additions To Agenda	Scholarships, Scooter racks in new business, learning garden.
Approval of Agenda	1st – Andrew Poole 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Matt Russell All in favour
Chairs Report	-Mabels Labels Cheque came for \$82.76  -School Social will be September 12 <sup>th</sup> 4-7pm
Treasurers Report	See Attached
Admin Report	Thank you to all the volunteers that supported our Casino in June. This truly supports our school community.  Staffing - Kelly Blakney has moved to Croxford so we are hiring for receptionist. With the increase of our student population, we were able to hire another Admin Assistant 2, so we have two Rhonda's in the front area.  Population - 1070 in PowerSchool. We have two grade levels that have high populations - kindergarten and grade 5. Conversations with the Ed Center as we will be looking to add another class in these grades.

	<p>Grade 6 camp - date change to Oct 21-24; Sept 6 freezies fundraiser; Sept 12 Parent meeting and freezie sale.</p> <p>School/Building site update - Portables are delayed until mid September (16 or 23); parking lot addition will add 16 more spaces.</p> <p>AP 148 Personal Mobile devices - looking for support to continue with the rule that students do not access tech during recess time. Parents agree with this.</p>
Trustee's Report	<p>Melyssa Bowen:</p> <p>First board meeting of the year. Bow Valley School shared their literacy approach at high school level; consistent language through all core subjects.</p> <p>Update on year two on strategic plan focused on learning, workforce, community, infrastructure. Second year allows for measurement.</p> <p>Learning: lower results in lit/num;</p> <p>PBIS has been a focus and 17 schools meet 80% tiered fidelity. Options class opportunities went up by 200 classes.</p> <p>Personal devices; biggest response that gov't has received. Will the reduction in distraction by personal tech change the lit/num scores.</p> <p>Numbers: RVS projected to grow by 750 students (today's student count number is 29k). Hotspots: NPS has a 953 capacity with modulars.</p> <p>No money set aside for specific modifications for the school changes happening next year. IMR dollars set aside for this. Question: how will the grade 9 students be accommodated at the middle school level when they normally would have transferred to the highschool. Devon: adding another grade level for sports (jersies). Instruction: adding literacy resources for grade 9's is another additional expense. Curriculum: do we have the equipment to provide a rich science program in the lab that we currently.</p>

	<p>Have available in the school. Extracurricular experience: times available for the gym is sparse. Some conversation regarding needs for adding this grade.</p> <p>Clarification needed regarding grandfathering in and choice of Murial vs NPS with siblings.</p> <p>Grade 9's choosing to stay at NPS for the year will still have access to bussing from Coopers.</p>
New Business	<p>Basketball hoops: Devon requesting additional basketball hoops on the new tarmac. Grant was received from JumpStart. 2022 quote \$4200 installed, post, backboard, net. Looking for two to four basketball hoops. Devon has requested a new quote. Request again from JumpStart (we need a proposal with how the programming would benefit). Timeframe for Jumpstart (Sept-Oct and spring). Tabled for next month (quote and proposal).</p> <p>Scooter racks: Devon has requested an updated quote. In 2022 one scooter rack was \$5k. Need to see how many can fit in appropriate spaces. Grounds dept will have to approve. Table until October.</p> <p>Learning garden: Plan has been created. Consultation with indigenous and every grade level. Curricular connection in SS/Sc in each grade. Stage 1: add trees and pathways. In talks with Brad from Blue Grass regarding cost of trees.</p> <p>Location: Grade 7/3 outdoor classroom and playground. Estimated approx. 10k.</p> <p>Stage 2: next year filling in with shrubs, butterfly garden, sun dial.</p> <p>Sponsorship rock? Developers being involved? Vesta?</p> <p>Scholarships Grade 8: decision needs to be made regarding whether to keep it as a grade 8 legacy scholarship or changing it to grade 9. Can discuss later on in the year. Tabled until November.</p> <p>Podium: Devon has a couple of options but none that they loved.</p> <p>Fundraising: learning garden</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Gordon foods for delivery before Thanksgiving.</li> <li>-Apple Creek Fundraiser</li> <li>-Dinner and a movie (November 29) – Kick off to Christmas</li> <li>-Valentines Family Dance (Feb 7)</li> <li>-Read-a-thon Feb 26</li> <li>-Bottles:set up account at bottle depot?</li> </ul> <p>Flower baskets – Blue Grass. Gordon Foods bacon fundraiser in May</p>
Meeting Adjourned	8:25pm

Next Meeting: October 3, 2024 - 6:30pm