

Minutes for October 12th meeting.

Present: Jodi Bramfield, Kathleen Hull-Beagle, Trudy Bratland, Kathleen Terry, Michelle Service, Ashley Fowler, Allison Goodwin, Matilda Kleinsasser

1. Call to order @ 5:05 by Kathleen Hull-Beagle.
2. Agenda - Michelle Service moved to adopt agenda as read. Allison Goodwin seconded. No additions to agenda.
3. Minutes of last minute read. Michelle Service moved to adopt minutes as read. Allison Goodwin seconded.
4. Treasurer's Report shared as Matilda had not yet joined the Google meet. No new additions - waiting on bank details to be updated.
5. Business arising from minutes. Cheque from 4-H (need to change to RES Foundation)
6. New business - \$1000 cheque from Co-Op's Fuel Good Day. Waiting for cheque from Co-Op but they are waiting for a big cheque so they can use it on their social media.
7. Principal's Report:

1) Upcoming Events

- October 5 & 6: Grade 5s participated in a virtual presentation: Tornado Hunter
- October 14 & 15: Grades K - 3 Are going to see a Story Teller hosted by Town Library @ United Church where there is more space.
- October 15: Grades K - 3 participating in a virtual Storytelling session
- October 28: School Wide Halloween Activities
 - Kinder will be Wed. Oct. 27/Thur Oct. 28
 - It does not appear that things will be "back to normal" for Halloween, so it will be done the same way as we did last year.
 - Students will come to school in their costumes. This will allow us to avoid congestion in the bathrooms.
 - Students in grades 4 - 6 must wear a costume that allows them to wear a mask (Unless the restrictions on this change).
 - Encourage students to bring their own snacks.
 - Food/Snacks brought in must be prepackaged - unfortunately no homemade food items to be shared with the class.
 - A staff member will hand out food to students while they are at their desks.

2) Changes in Guidance for Schools

- AHS will notify us of any positive cases that were infections at school
- School administration will be doing contact notification until AHS has hired staff to do this.

- We contact the cohort (classroom) only. Quarantine is not required if there are no symptoms for close contacts.
- WC is communicating AHS reporting of 2+ cases on school website banners
- PreK - Grades 6 only: Move to online for 14 days if 3+ cases in a class
- 10+ Cases = Outbreak at a school
- For schools that have been declared Outbreak: AHS is currently procuring **at-home testing kits** for **voluntary family use**. Participation is voluntary but families who consent to participate will be obligated to share results through an app based process

3) **Insurance Coverage:** In the event that School Council does fundraising, we will need to refer to this document about General Liability.

- If the School Council is following the definition of the School Act and is merely acting in an advisory role - there is no need to purchase insurance.
- If, however, the School Council is organizing extra activities (e.g. dance, bake sale, etc.) it may do so only as a PG or Society, and may wish to consider obtaining a liability policy to protect the individual members of the PG/Society from any losses or lawsuits.
- If the PG is organizing activities that require a gaming license (e.g. casino, bingos, etc.), they then have no choice but to form a society to handle such activities. The society would then be the body that would need to consider liability insurance.

4) Education Plan_Quarter 1: Will be posted on RE Website by end of October

School Trustee Reported: Since my last report to Parent Councils, I was invited to and attended the Terry Fox run in Bluffton on September 24, attended three council meetings on September 27th and the Annual Truth And Reconciliation walk in Maskwacis on September 30th. I have not attended that event and found it to be very touching and interesting. There were a number of speakers, three of them being Chiefs of the bands and our own Elder Josephine spoke of her experiences as well. She formally recognized her colleagues from Wolf Creek and that was a very nice gesture.

The Board met with our Auditors on September 29 to discuss and set the guidelines for our annual audit, the results having to be reported to Alberta Education at the end of November. Every year the “rules” seem to change making the process more and more secure. In my experience Wolf Creek has not had any issues with their audits which speaks to the professionalism of the staff in the division.

On October 4 I was in Ponoka to virtually attend a TEBA (Teacher’s Employer Bargaining Association) as the Wolf Creek rep. All 61 School Boards have a representative and we meet

regularly with Government staff who work under the Public Education Bargaining Act in Collective Agreement negotiations with the ATA. As the last agreement was over August 31st it is time again to begin the bargaining process.

Thursday is our second Board Meeting of the new school year and it looks like we will have a full agenda. We will meet in person at Central Office which will likely be the last meeting for some of the Board members.

Meeting adjourned @ 5:50 pm - next meeting November 9, 2021 at 5 pm.