**Maude Clifford Public School**

9506 Lakeland Drive

Grande Prairie, AB

**School Council Meeting Minutes**

**March 9,2022**

7:00 pm via Zoom

**Call to Order**- March 9, 2022, at **Time-**7:02 pm

**Parents**: Stacey Anstey, Alana Sieben, April Grant, Megan, Paula, Courtney

**Staff**: Jason Mestinsek, Rhonda Schneider

**Board** **Rep**: Rob Martin

**Welcome and Introductions**

**Land Acknowledgement:** I want to acknowledge that we are meeting on Treaty 8 Territory and we honor and acknowledge all of the First Nations Metis and Inuit peoples who have lived, travelled and gathered on these lands for thousands of years.

**Approval of Minutes**

**Date** March 9, 2022

**Motion to Approve**: Stacey A **Second**: Alana S

**Motion Carried**

**Chair Report: Stacey Anstey**

* Trustee-Chair meeting Feb. 3 at 7:00pm via Microsoft Teams:
  + - COVID update: no longer relevant due to mandates being lifted
    - Calendar update: an additional option was suggested of moving Dec. 2 day in lie to Dec. 23
    - Curriculum: LA, health/Phys ed, and math will be implemented in September; what grades is unknown; Board’s position is that there is not going to be nearly enough time for teachers to learn and implement the new curriculum
    - Next Trustee-Chair meeting will be May 5, possibly hybrid of in person and Microsoft Teams
* Next ASCA presentation is later this month.
* Are there any questions or concerns that you would like me to bring to the Trustee-Chair meeting?

**Explore what other councils are doing with Parent engagement funds, discuss how other schools approach fundraising society administration**

**Treasurers Report: Vanessa Wolff**

Account Balance is at $**15104.00**

\*PDF attached

**Board Report: Rob Martin via Email**

* **COVID-19 UPDATE:** In light of the changes to COVID-19 guidelines, and the decreasing case counts and hospitalizations across the province, the division will be rescinding the Administrative Procedure re: Vaccination Status and Rapid Testing, effective the end of day Friday, February 25.
* **Grade 7/8 Student Options Survey:** Students and parents of students in grades 6, 7 and 8 have been invited by school administrators to participate in a survey designed to learn more about their thoughts re: the option course choices they have. The survey, which closes Friday, Feb 25, has 1200 responses (700 parents, 500 students) as of the morning of Feb 23. The intent is to inform future school scheduling and the alignment of optional course choices to better meet the interest levels of students.
* **2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR APPROVAL:** Using feedback gained from school staff and school council meetings, the Board approved the 2022-2023 Calendar. Key details include:
  + September 30, 2022, is a non-operational day, to support students and staff to participate in Truth and Reconciliation events with their neighbors in the community.
  + Friday, December 2 will be a regular school day for staff and students.
  + Friday, December 23 will become a non-operational day and be the first day of Christmas Holidays.
  + The Board also passed a motion directing September 30 in future years to be a non-operational day if it falls on a typical M-F school day.
* **BOARD BUDGET DEVELOPMENT PRINCIPLES:** Trustees approved the principles to inform and guide the development of the school division budget for the 2022-2023 school year. The principles will be shared with administrators who will share them with their staff and with school councils. School councils are reminded of their advisory role and through the budget development process are encouraged to provide advice to their principals.

**Principals Report: Jason Mestinsek**

**Grade 4-6 Intervention Project**

* Funds provided for grade 4-6 literacy intervention
* We’ve hired a 1.0 EA and a 0.5 teacher for 16 weeks.
* Focus on reading instruction in grades 4-6, phonemic awareness, leveled literacy intervention for identified students

**Additional Support for K-3 Literacy/Numeracy Intervention**

* Additional 0.5 EA allocation – will hire ASAP

**Alberta Education Assurance Surveys**

* Process is underway
* Grade 4 parents
* Grade4 students
* Random sampling of parents by Alberta Education
* All teaching staff

**KinderPAL Programming 2022-2023**

* We are hoping to offer KinderPAL programming next year
* ECS students attend everyday
* Half day of programming provided by KinderPAL staff (not certified teachers, play based)
* May not know for sure until June depending on registrations

**Restrictions Removal**

* Staff and students are adjusting to removal of restrictions
* Very positive so far
* Planning a gradual return to “pre-COVID” programs and activities
* Had initial discussion with staff at March staff meeting – will continue sanitation and orderly exit/entry procedures
* Will have an “in person” assembly in the gym on March 23rd.

**Indigenous Youth Conference**

* Happened today for Grade 6 students
* Bannock, crafts, dancing, yoga and keynote speakers

**Report Cards/PTIs**

* Report cards will be printed, sent home March 21st.
* PTIs – Wed. March 23 4-7 PM, Thurs. March 24th, 5-8 PM
* One evening will be phone interviews, in-person the other evening.

March 9th – Last day for fundraising for Jump Rope for Heart

March 10th –11th – Teachers Convention

March 17th – GREEN day!

March 18th – PL Day

March 21st – Report Cards Sent Home with Students

March 23rd – PTI 5-8pm

March 24th – PTI 4-7pm

March 28th – Spring Break 😊

April 4th – Classes resume

**Business**

Sensory Pathway: has everything been ordered?

**Credit card compromised, waiting on new one for ordering**

Formation of a fundraising society update

**Gathering information to possibly form one in September after AGM**

End of year celebration: would there be interest in doing a second Mom’s Pantry fundraiser to raise some money to bring in the Bulldogs food truck

**Summer celebration to happen Friday June 24, back up date Monday June 27. Possible fire dept visit and hotdog day**

Grade 6 book legacy: does the librarian need any help from council?

**Jason to check with Ms. Courtney**

$500 Parent Engagement grant: any thoughts/ideas to improve parent engagement

**Exploring ideas with other councils**

**New business**

Hot lunch for April

**Pizza Hut, for April 27,22**

Thoughts on future meetings – in person or Zoom

**April meeting to remain on zoom**

Snacks for parent teacher interviews

**Create list for sign up genius for potluck**

**Adjournment and Next Meeting**

Meeting adjourned at 8:17

Next meeting set for April 5,2022