

Pine Street Parent Council Meeting

June 6th, 2017

The regular meeting of Pine Street Parent Council was duly called and held on June 6th, 2017 in the Library of Pine Street Elementary located at 133 Pine Street in Sherwood Park, Alberta. Quorum was present.

In Attendance:

Executive: Shanna Eveleigh (Chair), Krystal Grichen (Vice Chair), Pam Britton (Treasurer), Lesley Bowman (Secretary)

Administration: Evelyn Gaudet (Principal), Shelby Hines (Assistant Principal), Lorna Magnan (Teacher Representative)

Parents: Cara Kern, Kristi Opalinsky*, Trina Loucraft, Nasreen Banman, Lorena Ellsworth, Trish Sadoway*, Darrell Bradley, Mary Sorobey, Jacklynn Pivovar*

Guests: Trustee Barb McNeill (Elk Island Public School Board Trustee for Sherwood Park)

*Denotes partial attendance

Meeting was called to order at 9:11 p.m. by Chair, Shanna Eveleigh.

1. Attendance and Introductions

Executive, Administration, and regular attendees agreed to skip introductions.

2. Welcome, Treaty 6 Acknowledgment and Guiding Principles

a. Noted during Society meeting.

3. Acclimation for Society Voting

a. The exception being Treasurer, as there is no Treasurer position in the Parent Council.

b. Chair Shanna Eveleigh moves to Acclimate the Pine Street Parent Society Voting to the Parent Council, with the exception of Treasurer.

i. All in favour, none opposed.

ii. CARRIED.

4. Additions to the Agenda for Next Meeting

a. None.

5. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Vice Chair Krystal Grichen moved to accept minutes from the meeting on May 7, 2017 as circulated. Lorena Ellsworth seconded. CARRIED all in favour and 4 non-voting.

6. Trustee Report

a. BOARD BUDGET APPROVAL 2017-2018.

- i. The Board of Trustees approved the 2017-18 budget based on decisions and discussions put forward by administration and the Board during the detailed budget presentation on May 24, 2017.
- ii. The Board approved an operating budget of \$203.68 million for the period of Sept. 1, 2017 to Aug. 31, 2018. Of that, \$200.40 million is projected to come from the Division's annual revenue and the remainder is funded from reserves.
- iii. Overall, the EIPS 2017-18 budget allows for school stability, maintains essential central services for required Division operations and supports the vision, mission, beliefs and priorities of EIPS.

b. BILL 1: An Act to Reduce School Fees > Regulations > Frequently asked Questions

- i. Alberta Government has communicated the regulations to all stakeholders.
- ii. For the 2017-2018 school year, the following fees are being eliminated:
 - Textbook fees
 - Workbook fees
 - Printing and photocopying fees
 - Paper fees
 - Fees not clearly expressed in a fee schedule, nor connected to a specific good or service (i.e., fees previously referred to as instructional fees, instructional materials fees, or basic fees)
 - Fees for the transportation of the following eligible students:
 - Those residing 2.4 kilometres or more from the designated school they attend for regular or special education programming.
 - Those who have a disability, or disabilities, that prohibit them from using regular transportation services.
 - Those who attend a different school, which is 2.4 kilometres or more from their residence, because their neighbourhood school is full.
 - Children attending an Early Childhood Services program, such as kindergarten, for noon-hour transportation.
- iii. When will school fee reductions be implemented?
 - The reductions will be implemented for the 2017/18 school year.

c. Davidson School Boundary Options

- i. Boundary options were reviewed and discussed at the Board's Education Committee meeting on June 1st and forwarded to be placed on the Board's June 15th meeting for approval.

- ii. All attendees at the Open Houses and those that completed surveys, and requested questions for clarity were commended for their participation throughout the Proposed Boundary Options Open Houses.
- iii. Grandfathering and Student Accommodation (just confirmed that this item will be on the agenda for approval at the Board's June 15th meeting)
- d. Air Conditioning in Modulars
 - i. General discussion was held by the Board and senior administration regarding opportunity for air conditioning in modulars throughout the division as this item has been brought forward by many stakeholder groups for consideration.
 - ii. Cost and retrofitting would be a division expense as funding is not provided by the Provincial government.
- e. Playground Grants
 - i. The province's announced a new playground initiative.
 - ii. Under a new provincial program to help construct playgrounds for students, a \$250,000 grant is now available for eligible school projects.
 - iii. The program will apply to all new schools with Kindergarten to Grade 6 programs announced between 2014 and 2018.
 - iv. Replacement schools approved in 2017/18 are eligible if the school is being built on a new site without an existing playground.
 - v. More than 50 previously-announced school projects across the province are currently eligible for the playground grant funding.
 - vi. Should additional schools be announced in 2018, those schools would also be eligible. Alberta's capital plan commits \$20 million over the next four years towards school playgrounds.

Questions: No

7. Administration Report

- a. Principal Evelyn Gaudet presented her report.
- b. June 6 Projected enrolment and configuration for 2017/2018 school year:
 - i. ECS – 64 - 4 classes - AM/PM; M/Thur T/Fri and occasional Wednesdays
 - ii. Grade 1 – 81 - 4 classes Kavalinas, Oslanski, Wlos, ? for Ms. Bosch
 - iii. Grade 2 – 101 - 4 classes* Choo, Koshal, Ferguson, Forbes
 - iv. Grade 3 – 80 - 4 classes* Brown, Mackney, Magnan, Remeika
 - v. Grade 4 – 108 - 4 classes* Drechsel, Mac/Bess, Wheeler, Woodbeck
 - vi. Grade 5 – 73 - 3 classes Brouwer, Weber, Zielke
 - vii. Grade 6 – 83 - 3 classes Hawryluk, Lockwood/ Munsterman, Versteegt
 - viii. Total 590
 - ix. Budgeted for 594 students.
- c. We say farewell to Mr. Sudyk- going to Alberta Education working on the Science Curriculum, Mrs. Ambler who got a full time contract, teaching grade 1 in Leduc.
- d. Welcome back to Mrs. Wheeler teaching grade 4 next year, welcome to Mr. Versteegt teaching grade 6 who is coming from Ministik.

- e. Mrs. Dodyk will continue to be our learning support teacher but her time has been decreased for the upcoming year at this time.
- f. I will be interviewing for an ECS teacher as Mrs. deWynter goes on maternity leave at the end of August, and a grade 1 teacher for Mrs. Bosch's leave until Fall break.
- g. Most teachers have had the opportunity to work with our technology consultants- Ozobots, Makey, Makeys, and snap circuits. Grade 4-6 students have done a round of Lego robotics. Grade 4's have all used the Lego Machine kits. This work will continue next year.
- h. Teachers are reporting that several students have made great gains with literacy.
 - i. More work next year with writing will continue.
 - ii. Work will continue on improving numeracy.
 - iii. Some teachers have been using Guided Math structure to build numeracy skills all year long.
 - iv. The preliminary reports released from the accountability pillar indicate that the school has maintained excellent to good achievement in many areas. PAT scores will be added later in the Fall.
- i. Summer Projects- roof on school being redone, sidewalk on east side of school being repaired and redone to eliminate drainage issues.

Questions: None.

8. Teacher Liaison Report

- a. Lorna Magnan- nothing to report.

Questions: None.

9. Chair Report

- a. Chair Shanna Eveleigh presented her Annual Chair Report.
- b. Pine Street School 2016/2017
 - i. Executive:
 - ii. Shanna Eveleigh: Chair
 - iii. Krystal Grichen: Vice Chair
 - iv. Vanessa Bower/Lesley Bowman: Secretary
 - v. Pam Briton: Treasurer for Society
- c. Meeting Dates: September 6, October 11, November 8, December 6, January 10, February 7, March 7, April 4, May 9, June 6
- d. Date of first School Council Meeting of the Year: September 6, 2016
- e. School Council Activities: to Align with the economic downturn and the lack of a specific fundraising goal, The council's focused on more community building events with a few small fundraisers for the 2016/17 school year. The sale of Art Cards raised a few funds this year; parents were able to order blank cards adorned with the image of their child's artwork. Parent council

also facilitated a Nitza's Pizza fundraiser in which parents could purchase coupons for \$10 large pizzas at the restaurant.

- f. In addition to the small amount of fundraising, Parent Council also organized and facilitated school community building events. These included our the "Meet the Staff Night", Pine Street School apparel, Family Movie Night, Halloween Dance, Trade Fair, Yearbook, Helping Hands Program, a monthly hot lunch program to the students and finally our "Oops I forgot my Lunch Program", which provided food to students who were without a lunch.
- g. Also, this year Council Updated, approved and filed new Bylaws to ensure they were up to date as previous bylaws were done a number of years ago. Council also created new Policies and Procedures, which were discussed and approved in February.
- h. Funds raised by the Parent Society were used for Emergency Bussing, Teachers expendables, reserve funds for sports, reserve funds for performances, the purchase of cameras and home reading books.
- i. In the 2017/18 school year, parent council will continue to provide the hot lunch program and "Oops I forgot My Lunch Program." A discussion with council and administration will be had in September to decide fundraising goals for the year and fundraising decisions will be decided on accordingly. The Art Card fundraiser will also be continued this year, as well as the "Meet the Staff Event", Halloween Family Dance and Family Movie Night.
- j. Financial Statement(attached):

Questions: None.

Chair Shanna Eveleigh declared the meeting adjourned at 9:35 pm.

The next regular meeting will take place on Tuesday, September 5th, 2017.

These minutes are respectfully submitted by:

Lesley Bowman

Adopted by Council in the meeting of: September 5th, 2017

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