

G.W. Smith School Council Meeting

Agenda (Draft) – April 20, 2021

7:00 p.m. Virtual

* indicates written report/attachment provided

1. Call to order:7:03
2. Attendance
 - Parents: Pam Bettenson, Jonas Neidert, James Wright, Alicia Brown, Mark Brown, Greg Williamson, Ayumi Romans, Jen Anderson, Jaime Trautman, Tanya Olafson, Rachel Geistlinger
 - Staff: Aaron Langstraat, Jason Moline
 - Others: Nicole Buchanan
3. Review of the Agenda
 - Motion:**James made a motion to approve the agenda as presented.
 - Action:** carried
4. Approval of the Minutes (draft) - March 16, 2021*, as presented (OR as amended)
 - Motion: Rachel made the motion to approve minutes as presented.
 - Action: carried
5. Financial Report*: Treasurer - Jonas
 - a. Financial Transactions / Status to date
 - i. Nothing to report at this moment. Unable to get an update before meeting.
6. Committee Reports
 - a. Hot Lunch Committee – Chair: Ayumi, Chelsea, Tanya
 - i. no updates
 - b. Committees / Volunteers – James
 - i. Fundraising Committee - Tanya, Jenn
 1. Update?
 - ii. City Wide School Council Representative - James
 1. No update
 - iii. Policy Committee - Aaron, James
 1. No update
 - iv. Basketball Hoops Committee - James, Julia, Mark
 1. Basketball hoops installed. Project complete.
Basketball hoop committee is no longer necessary.
 - v. ASCA Survey Committee - James, Alysia, Jonas
 1. No update.
7. Business Arising from the Minutes
 - a. No business.
8. New Business
 - a. Next Year's Council
 - i. Please think about running for Executive Positions.
 - b. ASCA Conference
 - i. Does our Council want to pay for a representative to attend (virtually).
 - ii. [Annual Conference](#)
 - iii. [Proposed Advocacy Resolutions](#)
9. Trustee Report -Nicole Buchanan
 - a. Board's decision not to pilot the new draft curriculum.

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- b. Focus for the 2021/2022 school year. Hoping the 2021/22 will be focused on recovery. There are learning gaps from AHL to the classroom. There is an increase of the mental health of students and staff. Recently there has been an increase of covid cases due to the variant and there has been a shortage of subs. At the moment unsure what will happen with Red Deer Public and if they will be moving to online like Calgary and Edmonton.

10. Principal's Report – Principal: Jason Moline

- a. Our first cases were confirmed today. The classes are getting ready for online learning.
- b. Cilantro and Chive reached for us to have a proposal for fundraising money. Proposal was for a Prek outdoor classroom and they accepted. We are the summer ice cream sandwich school. It continues through the summer. They would like to do icecream sandwich days at our school and possibly other community schools. It was suggested that if the council was looking at another idea for fundraising this would be a great project. It costs \$5000-\$10000 for the project which includes a fence.
- c. Thanks to the committee for the basketball hoops. It has been amazing and the kids are appreciating it.
- d. Grade one has eggs in their classroom (ducks, chicks, turkey, goose).
- e. $\frac{2}{3}$ might be looking at getting butterflies for the classroom.
- f. curriculum update: plan for the last 3 PD days will be dedicated to the rollout in order to be planning if the government is going ahead with it. Recovery is the big theme for next year.
- g. year end activities: walkable, outdoor, something maybe spring time frame. We are not allowed to transport students. Suggestions for guest speakers or other ideas welcome.
- h. Next meeting will be talking about the school ed plan.
- i. Grade 5 started transitions with middle schools.
- j. District focus on recovery.

11. Next Meeting(s) - James

- a. May 18, 2021, 7:00 P.M. virtually
 - i. Feel free to contact us via email (gws-schoolcouncil@rdpsd.ab.ca) or by chat.

12. Adjourn: 7:27pm

Motion: James made the motion to adjourn.

Action: Passed by consensus.