

## Parent Council Meeting held February 10th/ 2025

### **Part 1:**

#### **Welcome, Prayer and Approval**

Call to order @6:05pm by Lauren Unrau

**Attendance:** Ed Kucy (Principal), Nancy Morgan (Assistant Principal), Marysia Waritsky, Andrea Minarchi, Jodi Arlidge, Melissa Gall, Lauren Unrau, Randa Remple, and Ciara Stickle

Online: Diane Auger, Jessica Koehli, and Ted Paszek

Welcome and Opening Prayer by Andrea Minarchi

Treaty Acknowledgement by Ciara Stickle

Introductions by All

Approval of meeting minutes - Approved by Marysia Waritsky/ Lauren Unrau 2<sup>nd</sup>

-Date to be changed to Jan 13th/2025

Approval of agenda - Approved by Lauren Unrau/ Andrea Minarchi 2<sup>nd</sup>

### **Part 2: School Updates**

#### **Teacher Report: No updates today**

#### **Administration Report by Ed Kucy:**

-Assurance surveys went out to parents, staff and students in our school.

-AB province one will be given to grade 4 and 7 parents and students.

-Grade 4 to 8 did the surveys in Alberta

Enrolment numbers for 25/26 year:

-Pre-k is at 4

-Kinder is at 17 & Nature Kinder is 8- Open house is March 13<sup>th</sup> for Pre-K and Kinder.

-There is a decrease in fees for nature program next year from \$435.00 to \$350.00 but subject to change if an EA is needed.

-K to 4 and Gr 8 is 1 class each, grade 5, 6, 7 will be two classes each grade.

-March and April Grade 4 to 7 will be asked about what CTS classes they want next year.

-Fine Arts will be presented to the students again to see the interest.

-Nancy Morgan 2 weeks ago started a fine arts club for students this year.

-French is done through SILC this year for grade 7 and 8 that wanted the option due to not enough interest by students. Grade 4, 5, and 6 is mandatory for their curriculum.

-Inline skating this week is happening at the school.

-Flying Fathers is this Friday Feb 14th for students Grade 2 to 8 to go and watch. Some academy students were chosen to partake in this game.

2025/2026 school calendar is tentatively out and some parents voiced opinion to be brought up for changes:

-Have 4 day school weeks like the school in Camrose does.

-Early Dismissal is to be every week Wednesdays but we are asking for Fridays instead.

-2 year calendar instead of a 1 year is going to be asked.

-PD days to be aligned with Stat Holidays and for Halloween to have Nov 1<sup>st</sup> be a PD day.

-Teachers are asking to remove the 5 min Wellness break in PM next year.

-New bell schedule again will happen but keep 4 blocks am and pm.

-Could be 2:45pm instead of 2:40pm dismissal and start at 8:10am instead of 8:14am

New Teachers to our school:

-Grade 1 and Grade 2 new teachers will be Mrs. Middlestead for grade 1 and grade 2 Mrs. McKinley Colgan.

-Grade 4 Mrs. Cossey will be gone the rest of the year and the new teacher will be Mrs. Rebecca Matthew and will start Feb 24<sup>th</sup>.

#### **District Updates by Trustee Ted Paszek:**

-January they approved the calendar in principal for feedback from parents.

-Biggest factor is our neighbouring school boards bussing in Fort Saskatchewan, Camrose, Andrew, Mundare and Vegreville.

-Approval on the calendar will be in March after their meeting.

-Thank you to everyone who completed the assurance surveys.

-Handhelds banning this year has been a positive result across all the schools.

**Meeting Adjourned @7:19p.m**