

MINUTES

Woodhaven Middle School Council Meeting

Date: November 18, 2020 – Time: 6:04pm – Location: Virtual meeting (meet.google.com/for-sptq-gkf)

In Attendance/Absent

Ashley Southworth - Lei Gryshik - Marcie Enders - Chris Shaw - Scott Johnston - Dawn Lutomsky - Arizona Dyck - Shari Olsen - Angele Medeiros - Anne Montgomery - Michelle Tokar - Lisa Hindle

Absent:

Dan Dowsen - Lauren Lyle

Approval of Agenda and Minutes

- Meeting Called to order at 6:04 by Chris. Meeting was handed off to Dawn in lieu of chair and co chair absence
 - Added to the agenda: hot lunch
 - Adopted the meeting agenda by Arizona - seconded by Ashley
 - Adopted the October 2020 Minutes by Lei - seconded by Arizona
 - Adopt the May 2020 Minutes by Lei - seconded by Arizona
-

Trustee Report

- Trustee Anne Montgomery gave an update on the following:
 - The board is collecting good stories and how they are being resilient during Covid from PSD 70 school.
 - Board had a delegation about wellness presented to them by Felicia Oaks. Highlighting a Stony Plain school showing what they are doing towards wellness
 - Modularity have been requested for Prescott, Millgrove, Meridian Heights
 - Boards funding projections still look on track for the 2020/2021 budget of \$134,000,000
 - Early learning assurance report, some funding has been changed ie. puff funding and funding designated to children with special needs. The board welcomes feedback from families as to how it is going.
 - Associate Superintendent Scott Johnston gave a presentation on bullying called Conflict, Aggression, Mean Behavior, Civility, Civility and Bullying Through Face to Face and Social Media or shortened to Being Civil.
-

School Council Chair report

Nothing reported

Principal's Report

- the new AHS covid rules have stopped the extra sport activities
- the classes and office have moved into the new part of the school

Question: are there any cases in the school? No, there are not any cases in Woodhaven.

- Chris posed a question to the council about keeping the movie license Criterion. The teachers use this license in class and during last year's online teaching.
- Chris has asked for a coin counting machine as the school has opened up their vending machine and are limited to only one person being able to count the coins. COVID adds another layer of safety. Council would be able to use the machine as well.
- survey coming to the parent council about our thoughts on safety, care and respect.

Question: Has there been any thought as to extending break? Haven't heard anything official.

Question: Are there any plans to change the entry of virtual learning in January - to stagger it from in class learning? It would be too difficult to change the dates at this time after they have been set.

Committee Reports

- COSC Report - Lei Gryshik points of the night:
 - discussed the Building Futures course
 - enrollment in the division, there is a net decrease of 60 students in the division, CFL is the largest school in the division
 - the board is monitoring AHS regarding COVID regularly
 - PAT will continue this year
 - the board is trying to stretch dollars
 - Brenda Cryer won an award for being on school councils for 17 years
 - Councils are supposed to submit a yearly report to the PSD website. there is a template on the ASCA website
 - a question was asked to the board: why are there inconsistencies with schools allowing microwaves in classes? It has to do with the cleaning protocols and whether they are able to be followed or not.
 - Volunteers can come in for certain activities but they must adhere to the covid protocols. They want volunteers to plan or pre plan for after school activities.
 - Hot lunch idea, small hot lunch cohort volunteers every week, separate all the food into separate bags for each student, staggered lunches help with getting everything out in a timely way
 - There is COVID stigma going on that needs to be worked on.
 - school messenger for parents that are on line and still want to be connected with their home school.
 - Virtual learners disconnect, the best way for them to stay connected is to stay in school, this is hard with everything going on but the board is doing everything they can to fix this.
 - Families cannot jump between school divisions due to funding.
 - Sports information school vs schools, some schools could play each other
 - Might schools shut down? Not likely, not much COVID student to student spread
 - Asked to have an ASCA section on the website? Scott Johnston is going to look into
 - Residential school curriculum, parents need to use their voice to tell the government what they want to be taught.
- Chris added that Woodhaven does not allow microwaves in classes due to sanitation. Also, team sports are put on hold for the time being due to AHS new COVID guideline

- Parent Association Report - Nothing to update
- Hot Lunch Report - Lei and Ashley - there are concerns with the new Covid case count and how Hot Lunch should be run. Putting hot lunch on hold till January
- C-Pen Exam Readers are needed, Marcie is going to look into how many are needed, cost for a ten pack \$3000. Having a December meeting to discuss the purchase of these C-Pens. First or second week of December.
- ASCA Update - Ashley Asca's funds were cut by 75%, they will only get a ¼ of the funds necessary to maintain operations. There will be impact but will continue to governance and advocate for the parents to the best as they can.

Motions

- Dawn Lutomsky put a motion forward for the Association to pay for another year of the Criterion for \$395.00. Angele seconded the motion, all were in favour
- Arizona made a motion to approve purchase of a coin sorted up to a value of \$200. Angele seconded, all were in favour.

Next Meeting

January 21, 2020

Meeting adjourned at 8:40