

MINUTES

WMS Parent Association Meeting

Date: April 19, 2023

Time: 6:03 pm

Location: Learning Commons

In Attendance

Marcie Enders – Megan Phillips – Kayla Joy – Leah Woitas – Nealle Dickson – Lei Gryshik – Angele Mederios – Deanna Farris – Eric Cameron – Michelle Kincheloe – Arizona Dyck

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda Angele and Lei seconded, all in favour

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve minutes – Lei approved
All in favour

Grade 6 Presentation – Mrs. Kayla Joy and Mrs. Leah Woitas and Ms Phillips

Kayla Joy (Literacy Lead) presented –

We have been spending a lot of time in group settings of learning.

“Words their way” is one way along with guided reading.

Specific targeted instruction according to their level of reading.

New system will allow us to identify the gaps that they need to work on and allow us to group those students together on those items.

We see a higher level of engagement and higher level of achievement.

Leah Woitas (Numeracy Lead) presented –

We are using vertical white boards

Students will be put in random groups and then given a problem and using the group model to solve

In small groups and “writing notes to my forgetful self”

they can write those notes in their notebooks that will assist them when studying for exams

We are also seeing a lot of students with more confidence in numeracy

Question: Do we have the funding to keep doing the work you are doing?

We so value the work that is being done with the focus on Literacy and Numeracy and this is our primary focus.

This teaches them to work in groups and the social aspect has been wonderful for teaching the kids how to work with others.

Question: Do the kids keep the same in small groups?

In Literacy they are together for a portion of time but as they progress they will shift the students according to their needs.

In Numeracy they will be given a task and then groups will be assigned. When using the white boards they are grouped as per task and then they will shift according to the task.

Question: Does this work in Jr High as well?

Currently in 5 and 6's but will be moving to Grade 9's to prepare for PAT's in the next week and then Grade 8's.

Trustee Report – Eric Cameron

Board chair reported final touches on our election advocacy plan which focuses on school builds, provincial funding and curriculum development and health and wellness cross ministry reports.

The board and Sr Admin hosted and Ed Planning day on April 6 which included school council members and other community members, municipal leaders from Stony Plain, City of Spruce Grove and County of Parkland.

Superintendent Report

Ed Planning Day saw 115 guests help contribute to a wealth of input which has to be unpacked and included in structuring our Ed Plan.

Principals are working on their budgets for next year.

Transportation guidelines and funding is changing soon which will most likely increase ridership but on the other hand we will not have enough buses and contractors along with bus drivers.

PSD was declined for any of the 31 modular classrooms we requested, however the previously approved modulars for Millgrove School will be in place this summer.

PSD received \$212,000, learning loss grant specifically targeted for Grade one students.

Our Westview School is still on track to open in the fall of 2023.

The board welcomed a student delegation from Ecole Broxton Park, Ecole Meridian Heights and SGCH at its April 11 Board Meeting. They shared their experiences in the French immersion program.

The board approved the Budget Assumptions for the 2023 – 2024 school year.

Principal Report

Wish List is presented and shared with the group along with price lists.

Motion to accept the Wish list as written totally 11,742.99 to accept,

Seconded by Lei

All Approved.

School Council Chair Report

Next month will be our last meeting

Angele and Michelle went to the PSD Engagement

COSC Report

Nothing to report

ASCA Resolutions

Lisa is going to the entire conference.

Lisa will report on the May Meeting

Mandating Criminal record and Vulnerable Sector checks for School Board Candidates seeking election.

Is that something that would be needed as they are not working directly with students?

Vote – No All

Supporting Integrated Education Funding

Vote: All in Favour YES

Integrate Climate and Bio-diversity Education Throughout the K-12 Curriculum

Vote: NO

Add rights of victims of Bullying and Violence to Education Act

Recommendation 1 or Recommendation 2

Vote: Lisa discretion upon when she attends the conference

Required Consultation Opportunities for Proposed Changes to Legislation, Regulations or Established Programs or Practises.

VOTE : Yes

Setting and Meeting a student to School Counsellor ration to Improve Mental Health

VOTE: Yes as long as they are funded by the government.

Housekeeping will be given to Lisa to vote at the meeting

Round Table

Track meet for Grade 5,6 and the grade 4's from Brookwood
We would love a concession to have available
PAT's will be in about 5 weeks.

Pizza 73 fundraising to buy bibles for the kinders coming to BW

Track and Field fundraising concession

Next Friday staff appreciation breakfast for PD Day

Next Meeting and Adjourned

Meeting Adjourned 7:40pm

Next Meeting