**École Agnes Davidson School Council**

**Thursday, February 11, 2021**

**7:00 pm**

Welcome/Gratitude

Approval of Agenda - motioned by Alison, seconded by Danielle

 Approval of Jan. 12, 2020 Minutes-motioned by Danielle, seconded by Alison

Reports

a) Principal Report (Terra)

- Boundary changes are being discussed by the board and the final vote is Feb 23rd.

- A new grade 5 class has been created due to the influx of students at the pivot point. This change will occur Feb. 22. We have a teacher - Carolyn Tagg for this class. Without creating a new class, the class numbers would be 25-30 students.

- There is also a new grade ½ split (grade 1 french immersion at Nicholas Sheran and grade 2 french immersion at Agnes Davidson).

- Welcome back to Melissa Herbst from maternity leave. She will be teaching online: K in the morning and Gr 4 in afternoon.

- Student registrations going out later due to boundary changes. Anticipate sometime in March. Will be done online - more info to come. Not sure of the process yet with boundary change review - more info to come.

b) Vice Principal Report (Megan)

-Town hall online - more participants than in previous years. Positive changes with COVID= enhanced community, comm with parents, fewer classes, health standards

-Feb 12 - virtual scholarship breakfast - speaker is Daniel Louis (Tea by Daniel). Reach out to Christine Lee for a table or ticket. Recommended for grades 8 and up.

- Feb 15-19: no school (family day and teachers convention online)- excited to have speakers that may not have been possible otherwise (ie Peter Mansbridge)

- Feb 22-24: malicounda (virtual drumming group)

- Feb 24: pink shirt day. Thanks to Sue for hoodies and t-shirt sales. They have started to arrive and we are sorting them. Lots of sales from other schools too.

- March: virtual scholastic book fair and virtual celebration of learning. More info to come.

- Welcome to kindergarten: discussions are occuring about how to do it (virtual tours, timed meetings, etc). Will do best to provide options to parents. Same with options for transitioning to grade 6.

- Starting with the March newsletter - newsletter will be sent with weekly parent communications from Terra

c) Staff Rep Report (Tammi)

- Feb 3 - Classes went on a winter walk.

- Carnaval: looked different but committee worked hard. They sent a document with links and activities for teachers. Monday - kickoff by gr ⅘ french immersion with an assembly video. Tuesday - lumberjack day. Lots of participation in school and online. Wednesday- celebrated Metis culture (K-3 colouring and counting in Michif and grades ⅘ - ceinture fleche bracelets). LOTG pancakes. Thursday - sugar shack. Ice came from Kona ice and worked well. Terra and Megan made over 500! Friday - red/pink day for valentine’s day and masquerade ball as well. Many classes are also celebrating valentine’s day within the guidelines.

- Science fairs: 1) southern Alberta science fair - video submissions from grades 4-12 are due by March 22m, 2021. Awards ceremony is March 31.http://satclethbridge.ca/ 2) APEGA science olympics - free virtual science olympics (gr 1-12).

https://www.apega.ca/educators-students/educators/science-olympics - Tammi met with kids in the new class. They seem positive despite change of class part way through the year.

- Melanie Morrow was in the last staff meeting (Indigineous Education Elementary Leader). Wants to pilot with the school regarding the winter calendar ( part of the blackfoot culture). She also assisted with Metis education during Carnaval week.

d) District School Council (Alison) - Nothing new to report. No meeting this month due to the Town Hall meeting.

e) Alberta School Council Association (ASCA) (Ryan) - Nothing to report. Trustee (Lola Major) - not present and no report.

Old Business

- no old business

New Business

- no new business

Next Meeting: Tuesday March 9, 2021

Adjournment Time: 7:40