

Ecole Agnes Davidson School Council Meeting

Tuesday, February 8th, 2022, 7:00pm

1. Welcome/Gratitude/Etiquette
 - a. Attendance: Brie Schindel, Kelly Sparks, Terra Leggat, Dawn Thomas, Jen Scherer, JoAnn Hill, Tyler Demers, Carrie Boschman, Danielle Fletcher, Edith Valle Duke, Megan Cummins, Alison Alma-North, Tiffany Mills, Victoria Nestorowicz, Pam Decicco, Finley Johnson, Veronique Joncas, Cincia Secrist, Shokoufeh, Kristine
2. Approval of Agenda
 - a. Approved by Tiffany Mills, seconded by Carrie Boschman.
3. Approval of January 11, 2022 Minutes
 - a. Approved by Alison Alma-North, seconded by Pam Decicco.
4. Review of School Council purpose
5. Reports
 - a. Principal's Report (Terra)
 - i. PL day in January – school focused time on reading assessments and how to better support students in their literacy journey
 - ii. Games Common – outdoor space is being revamped. Alcove between portables will be home to gaga ball pit and giant snakes and ladders game. Hoping for grant money but moving forward either way.
 - iii. Grade 4 & 5 children completed learning bar survey this week. Results are used to guide school on where to focus energies. Another survey (assurance bar survey) opens next week for Grade 4 students, parents & teachers. Information will be mailed directly from Alberta Education with instructions on completing. Students and teachers will complete at the school. Results will be shared at School Council meeting next fall.
 - iv. AHS has reached out with a survey for parents around foods: Lunch on the Go, purchasing of food etc. They are looking at how they can support schools around healthy food choices.
 - v. Reminder – Lethbridge School Division Board of Trustees is holding a community engagement night on February 10th.
 - vi. Thank you to parents who have submitted expressions of gratitude for school staff. They are being printed and posted around the school as well as shared electronically with staff.
 - b. Vice-Principal's Report (Megan)
 - i. The Loop (located in the newsletter) is a document that's curated by the school division with relevant information to students. Able Electronics recycles electronics but also donates back to the division. My City Care takes in used clothing but also provides them back to the community.
 - ii. 2nd portion of Boost program began February 1st – 8 week program for grade 2-3 students to support education for students due to losses from pandemic
 - iii. Science & Heritage Fair – March 7 – 11th for grade 3, 4, 5 students.
 - iv. February 15th – Family Feast through Chef Stella's.

- v. March Celebration of Learning will happen mid-March but bookings open March 1st.
 - c. Staff Rep Report (Veronique)
 - i. Carnaval week
 - 1. February 14th – red & pink day
 - 2. February 15th – sugar shack & Chef Stella cultural feast
 - 3. February 16th – pink shirt day
 - 4. February 17th – Dress like a lumberjack day (be mindful of cultural appropriation)
 - 5. February 18th – Tye Dye day
 - ii. Book Fair/competition
 - d. District Council Report (Alison)
 - i. Town Hall was held February 1st with a few glitches.
 - e. Alberta School Council Association (ASCA) Report (Donna)
 - i. No report
 - f. Trustee report (Tyler Demers)
 - i. Restrictions Exemption Program will end tonight at midnight
 - ii. Effective Sunday February 13th at midnight – children will no longer be required to mask in school and children under 12 will no longer need to mask in any setting.
 - iii. Board meetings will now run from 1:00 – 6:00 (instead of 2:00 – 6:00) – the public forums will remain at 5:00.
 - iv. Community Conversation on February 10th is a meet and greet opportunity with trustees with no formal agenda
 - v. ICE scholarship event Friday February 11th will be virtual with Scott Armstrong as guest speaker.
 - vi. New Director of Finance following resignation of Mark de Boer

6. Old Business

- a. Alberta School Council Engagement Grant – decision was made to do French lessons. Kelly has reached out to a few agencies. Canadian Parents for french has an educator from Calgary who can offer 2 sessions/week with level 1 and level 2 classes. Still awaiting information from other agencies.

7. New Business

- a. Canadian Parents for French – Associate Member Organization membership (\$60/year)
- b. Canadian Parents for French Camping en Francais weekend – Medicine Hat Branch is doing a camping weekend in Elkwater. Families camp and children do French programming while parents network with other parents of french immersion students.

Next meeting: March 8th, 2022

Adjournment