

## **Parent Council Meeting November 27th, 2023**

### **Call to order by Kalena at 6:33 p.m.**

Acceptance of minute from October 2nd, 2023 by Karmen

### **Additions to agenda:**

- Christina added hot dog lunch

### **Community Representative, Humphrey Banack:**

- There is a Christmas potluck lunch starting at 1 p.m. at Round Hill Community Hall on December 3rd, 2023. Santa will make an appearance, everyone is welcomed.
- Christmas market December 11th, 2023 from 5-7 at Round Hill Community HALL, there will be lots of vendors.
- There will be ice in Elk's building for skating for the 2023/2024 winter

### **BRSD Report:**

- They had a meeting about the boundaries, great turnout, they received lots of feedback and questions. They will be reviewing all information and recommendations will be submitted stating the changes to come.
- Upon review of accountability and satisfaction, the school scored fairly high. About 95% of the students stated feeling safe and supported. And 83% of the parents stated being overall satisfied with the school.

### **Renaissance Farm Report:**

- Flax bales will be added to the garden to work as a sort of wind breaker.
- We are the recipient of the FCC Grant. We are receiving \$23 000.00 for the learning pavilion.
- They submitted 25% of the overall cost to Camrose County, not 100% sure it will happen but we are definitely moving in the right direction.
- Next meeting in scheduled for January 2024

### **Principal's Report:**

- Annual Education Results came in and the students did well as a whole.
  - Students did very well in the grade 6 math and grade 9 ELA
  - Averages in grade 6 ELA and grade 9 math were good but not great.
  - Grade 9 Science and Social tests were scheduled for the last days of the school year, which resulted in significantly lower scores across the province.
- After looking at the results, it is clear that our students struggle with Literacy.
- There is an overwhelming satisfaction amongst stakeholders with quality of education

- We need to improve in attitudes and behaviors assuring that the students learn what they need to be successful in the workforce once they finish school.
- Stakeholders believe:
  - Students feel safe and learn to care and respect for other creating an environment in which they are fairly treated
  - The school has appropriate supports and services in place
  - The school provides a welcoming, caring, respectful, and safe environment.
  - High risk students have access to programs in a timely manner
  - The community have programs that are accessible, effective and efficient
  - The school has a broad program which includes fine arts, career, technology, health and physical education
- This year's plan
  - Amplify the literacy program in the classes
  - Introducing then Heggerty reading program
  - The new UFLI program to be implemented
- Halloween went well, the junior high students worked hard
- Volleyball is done
- Basketball is starting, we have a mixed team of 6 girls and 5 boys from grades 7-9, we are not participating in the league but will be playing tournaments.
- Mini dunkers will begin after Christmas break. Mini dunkers are for students in grades 4-6. Practices will be held on Wednesdays from 3:30 to 5 p.m.
- The society of parents are planning a 7 days of Christmas
- Discussed the need to order more t-shirts for the REAL Awards. Will use up some of the products we currently have and will order more t-shirts in the New Year.
- School Review (assistant superintendent Hoyland and Lee Ann Ashby Girarard)
  - Very positive and pleased with our growing student population.
- Remembrance day
  - The ceremony was student driven and went very well.
- Grades 1-6 Report cards will be sent home December 6th, 2023. parent/teacher interviews will be held on December 7th, 2023 from 3:30 to 8 p.m. Kindergarten reports cards will not be ready until the end of January 2024. The report cards are changing and the focus will be on literacy, numeracy and behaviors. Power School will have additional information.
- Christmas meal and concert both on December 19th, 2023. The meal is at noon at the community center, and the concert is at 7:00 p.m. at the school.

### **Old Business:**

- Swimming will be from grades 1 to 9, camrose pool will let us know in february
- Elks offered support food cost, they offered \$250 last year and will look into giving \$500.00 to help cover cost for the community lunches.

- The artist chosen to complete the murals backed out and the society of parents are in the process of finalizing some of the details with the new artist chosen.

**New business:**

- Hot lunch is going well and the online system seems to be working out.
- Debbie, one of the ladies who does the hot dog lunches, has asked the society if they think the school would be willing to ask classrooms to bring desserts on hot dog days to keep the cost down and to ensure we can continue to provide these lunches to our students.
  - Motioned by Christina
  - Seconded by Karmen
- The first group will be the junior highs on December 5th, 2023, Pat Mcmanus will send an email out to all parents.
- ASCA Conference, the society will look into sending two people or look at maybe bringing someone to the school for a seminar.
- Insurance, looking for the best deals
- Breakfast report: looking to see if there is any interest with the parents to contribute to the breakfast bake goods.
- WI will provide 10 pies for the Christmas concert to be raffled off, the proceeds will go back to the school
- 6 days of Christmas: December 12, 13, 14, 15, 18 and 20th. Teachers are to send their requests to the society of the activities they would like to see.

**Next meeting is February 5th, 2024**

**Meeting Adjourned at 7:33**