

FLVT Parent Council MINUTES

FLVT Executive School Council Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Asheley Cowie at 7:02 pm.

Prayer

In Attendance: Sheri Thomas, Brigida Chambers, Greg Kostiuk, Travis Magierowski, Tanya Koopmans, Emily Boutland, Deanna Broderick, Wendy Iwanczuk, Sheryl Benson-Loman, Asheley Cowie, Monique Atkins, Elizabeth Popoola, Tania Tytula Crabbe

Review of Agenda – Sheryl motioned; Deanna seconded - carried

Approval of Previous Meetings - Approved

Principal's/Staff Reports

Danny:

- We are not participating in the curriculum pilot
 - 54/61 divisions are saying no
 - Government is softening its position on allowing commentary from non-participating divisions and will likely be listening to what all school division have to say
 - Teachers have asked to be more involved in the planning of the curriculum
- Catholic Education Week
 - Theme “Those that hope in the Lord shall renew their strength”
 - Dany has a personal attachment to this message and believes it strongly. He appreciates our prayer and support as he struggled with his health issues over the last year

Teacher's report:

- Brigida – thank you to parents for their support during the online switch
- Emily – Online learning is going well. Happy Catholic Education Week
- Travis – Gr 9 Farewell
 - Will look like last year depending on restrictions
 - Likely a drive thru format
 - Still in planning mode
 - Classes will be split up alphabetically
 - Last year the kids really enjoyed it

Principal's report:

- Curriculum Presentation Q&A
- Switch to at home has gone well. Planning to be back on schedule as they have not heard otherwise from the government at this time.
- Rapid Testing – still planning for it but we just don't know when
- Next Year
 - No budget yet
 - In the next month it will be submitted for approval
 - It is anticipated that nothing too major is being changed
 - We have submitted a request for a portable – it is up to the minister – would not be ready for the new year though
 - eLearning – will be offered for the foreseeable future. If you are interested reach out to Greg
 - Staffing – still being finalized
 - Bell Times – with the change in bussing provider bell times have had to change.
 - Not a super dramatic change

- Draft times are as follows
 - Elementary Monday-Thursday 8:30am-3:16pm Friday 8:30-1pm
 - K 8:20am-11:30am 12:10pm-3:20pm
 - Early learning 8:20am-11:20am 12:05pm-3:05pm
 - Jr High 8:30am-3:10pm Friday 8:30am-12:56pm
- Reviewed Draft Calendar

Report from Executives

- Chairperson: nothing to report
- Vice Chairperson: nothing to report
- Treasurer:
 - Stale Dated Cheques from \$50 & \$30 (We are all treaty people)
 - Greg will check with Tamara to see if the parents will be cashing the cheques
 - Tamara will reissue if needed
 - If cheques are cashed amount below will be \$80 less
 - Starting Balance \$2,745.28
 - Money In: \$140.00 (\$60 from school council fees)
 - Money Out: \$164.51 (stations of the cross)
 - Planned Spending: \$1750.00
 - Estimated future balance: \$970.77
- Secretary: nothing to report
- School Events Coordinator: OPEN – please talk to us if you are interested in this position
- Communications Coordinator: OPEN – please talk to us if you are interested in this position

Unfinished Business

- Alberta Curriculum Q&A update/discussion – We will do a more detailed recap at next meeting for those that couldn't attend
- Grade 9 Gifts
 - Possibly balloon trees for the photo opportunities (balloon arches are too expensive)
 - Photographer? – not enough interest from volunteers, and out of budget to pay for it
 - Mr Craddock may have someone that would be interested
 - Sheri Thomas will also see if she might be able to find someone who would be interested
 - Also ask the Grade 9 planning committee to see if they have any ideas
 - Travis will ask
 - The grade 9 planning committee is made up of students and teachers
 - \$890.00 is what we have budgeted and agree to spend to support whatever the committee thinks is best
- Decision on Gift for Mrs Braun
 - Rock – was more than budgeted
 - Greg says the school will make up the difference
 - Tania motioned to buy with the school making up the difference, Asheley seconded - carried

New Business

- Dress Code
 - A parent wanted to know if the school had a set dress code?
 - Sometimes what is acceptable in one classroom is different than others
 - There is a guideline – follows the value of the school
 - There is some miscommunication regarding the dress code
 - Not all teachers are comfortable enforcing it – in that case administration gets involved
 - Adherence isn't a huge issue
 - Child is usually spoken to individually but repeat offenders have their parents contacted

- The dress code on the website is outdated, but Greg will ensure it is updated
 - It is not very prescriptive – more a general guideline, can be open to interpretation but the teachers generally have a good handle on it.
- Covid Update
 - Covered by Mr Kostiuk earlier
 - The plan for next year has not been decided
 - Percentage of participation in the rapid testing is unknown and that number will not be collected
- Future Parent Council Positions
 - Monique will not be staying on. Her schedule does not allow. She will stay with us until June though. We appreciate her work as she has done an amazing job!!
 - Anyone who is interested we ask that you please put your name forward.
 - You can contact Tania, Greg or Asheley for more information
- There was some news of no return to school until we reach a lower threshold but we will not know for sure until we hear directly from the government
- At FLVT we have had 18 cases in all – 14 were in elementary
- To put on agenda for September – Hawks Incentive program
 - Students are chosen from each division (there are 3) and recognized for their good deeds
 - Each student gets a \$20 gift card and their name gets put in a draw for a \$100 amazon gift card. 1 draw for each div at end of year. Total cost \$900
 - Usually this is covered through the school fundraising but they did not fundraise this year so there are not funds to cover this for next year. Greg would like to request that parent council help fund this for the next school year.

Meeting was adjourned by Asheley Cowie at 8:01pm.

- **Next Meeting: June 15th @ 7pm. Google meeting.**