

Bruderheim School Council Meeting

Location: ZOOM Online Date: April 12, 2021 Time: 7:00 pm

1. Call to order: 7:02 pm

In Attendance:

- Cheryl Semeniuk
- Colleen Holowaychuk
- Pat Lee
- Alison Blaikie
- Jacquie Senchuk
- Terri Barron
- Amanda Oldfield-West

2. Review Agenda & Approval -

Motion: Terri Barron 2nd: Amanda Oldfield-West All in Favor

3. Approval of March's meeting minutes -

Motion: Alison Blaikie 2nd: Amanda Oldfield-West All in Favor

4. Trustee Report - Colleen Holowaychuk

The Board has several budget working days scheduled. Spending time reviewing our vision and priorities as we work through the budget discussions with administration.

We did get our funding envelope as promised on March 31, 2021.

Allocations to schools will be approved at the April 22, 2021 board meeting. We will also be approving the system administration fees at this meeting.

We continue to regularly review Covid response and recovery within the division.

The board held a special meeting where we approved 3 full time FSLWs to connect with students between April and June. We have some students who have not been connecting with schools regularly and we want to ensure they are ready for the 2021-22 school year. We also updated our division modular request to the government at this meeting.

The board has decided not to implement a technology fee next year. Instead the division's technology plan is to be updated and more information will come forward when it is ready.

New curriculum is the big news. Our board knew that we would not be piloting the curriculum a while ago. It is an operational decision and Superintendent Liguori feels that students have already had two school years of disrupted learning and

doesn't feel the time is right to add anything else. Our administration is reviewing the draft curriculum and we are asking parents to review and do the survey to provide their feedback to Alberta Education.

April is always the time of year when we thank our volunteers and even though it has been a very different year in terms of volunteering, we still want to say thank you to those that go out of their way to enhance our students' school experience.

Reminder that the online virtual ASCA conference is April 23-25, 2021.

Registration closes on Friday April 16, at 5pm.

The next COSC meeting is Wednesday May 5, 2021 from 6:30-8:30pm

5. Principal Report - Cheryl Semeniuk

Playground Replacement - Great news. Friends of Bruderheim School have received \$125,000 in provincial grant money towards replacing our playground. The Town of Bruderheim is contributing \$100,000. Our community has raised the difference to allow us to purchase a playground up to \$250,000. The process involved includes:

1. Stakeholder input on top 5 wishes for the playground (slides, climbing apparatus, swings, design) The Town of Bruderheim's preference is to match the primary colours already in place at the newer playground on the school site. This input is due to EIPS on April 28. Input process in development.
2. A cheque presentation will occur to the EIPS Board of Trustees from the Town of Bruderheim / MLA for the grant money.
3. Tender Process - the tender must be open for a month, followed by a small committee from EIPS facilities, Town of Bruderheim staff, school principal to go through tenders and select a winning bidder.
4. The project proceeds with ordering, site preparation, construction, inspections. The project can take up to 18 months.
5. Grand opening celebration when ready.

Surveys - Please make sure you complete the EIPS parent engagement survey.

Parents of students in Grades 4, 5, or 6, please ensure you have completed the Assurance Ab. Ed. Survey with the code mailed to you by Alberta Education.

6. Teacher's Report – None

7. Town Report - Pat Lee

1. Lots of excitement on receiving the Grant monies for the School Playground.
2. Bruderheim Starlight Campground now has online booking. Visit the Bruderheim website.
3. April 18-24 is National Volunteer Week. Bruderheim is so blessed in having such an incredible and wonderful group of Volunteers who contribute so much to our Community. A huge heartfelt thank you!
4. Pitch in Week, April 18-24, is an opportunity for residents to help our Community be clean and welcoming. Volunteers call Town Office(780-796-3731) to have garbage bags delivered to you.
5. Metro Kalyn Community Library continues to offer curbside pickup. Call (780)796-3032 or email:librarian@bruderheimpl.ab.ca for items found at www.tracpac.ab.ca

8. Financial Report - Jacquie Senchuk

General Account \$2002.56, Breakfast Account \$5557.94
Friends of Bruderheim: Main Account \$18,935.04 GIC Account \$9137.46
GIC matures May 22 so we can use it towards playground funds.
We are still waiting to hear back from 2 more grants totaling \$80,000.

9. Breakfast program - Nothing to report

10. Old Business - None

11. New Business -

Spring Fundraiser - hold off on during a fundraiser at this time, too much going on for families. Will look into a fundraiser in the fall.

Hot lunch order forms - some parents say they are missing the order forms. Mrs. Semeniuk advised they are mailed out to every parent (usually on Thursday after early dismissal Wednesday). They are also a link on the school bulletin and will be added to Bruderheim School Facebook page. Mrs. Semeniuk also added a clickable link on the bottom of Bruderheim School website.

School Pictures - parents would like if a school picture day could coincide with a preschool day. Unfortunately, preschool days are no longer the same as kindergarten days and we have to make sure pictures are available for our kindergarten kiddos first. Mrs. Semeniuk will look into arrangements, if possible, to have preschoolers eligible to come on picture day.

Curriculum - parents are curious about what they can do about the new curriculum besides filling out surveys and visiting Facebook page. Mrs. Holowaychuk provided some websites that should give parents some answers.

- [The guiding framework for the design and development of kindergarten to grade 12 provincial curriculum](#)
- [Alberta Education: Curriculum Overview](#)
- [Draft K-6 Curriculum](#)
- [Draft K-6 Curriculum: Public Feedback Survey](#)

12. Other Business and Items for Next Month - None

Meeting Adjourned: 7:50 PM

Next meeting: Monday May 3, 2021 @ 7:00 pm