

Bruderheim School Council Meeting

Location: ZOOM Online Date: December 13, 2021 Time: 7:00 pm

1. Call to order: 7:02 pm

In Attendance:

- Colleen Holowaychuk
- Paul McKay
- Alison Blaikie
- Terri Barron
- Ashley Carter

2. Review Agenda & Approval -

Moved to pass agenda as is: Terri Barron, 2nd - not enough present for a 2nd motion

3. Approval of November's meeting minutes -

Moved to pass November minutes as is: Alison Blaikie, 2nd - not enough present for a 2nd motion

4. Principal Report - Paul McKay

Good evening everyone. It feels like it has been a while since we met. It is nice to see everyone again. The last month and a bit has been incredibly busy. We observed Remembrance Day, had report cards, held parent teacher interviews and many other activities throughout the month. We managed to collect over 40lbs of Candy to donate to the food bank, over 100 pairs of mittens to support the bissel center and we are just about to finish up our food bank collection for the holiday season. Our little school sure has done a great job to support our community and I am so proud of them.

Other important initiatives that are in the works at our school include the learning disruption funding provided by the Alberta government. Our school received close to 11 000 dollars in funding to support a select group of grade 2-3 students who fall below the 25th %ile in literacy and numeracy. Ms. Hoekman has been hired and will begin on January 5 and work every day with these students until the end of March. We are anticipating another injection of money to support our struggling grade 1 learners early in 2022.

As well in early 2022, I will be sending out a copy of our projected fees for next year. Once they are put together parents will have an opportunity to provide feedback or attend our next parent council meeting to discuss. Once parents have had time to provide feedback, I will establish the fees for 2022 and send those to our division office to approve.

The Christmas concert was amazing, and I cannot wait for you to see it. The link will be sent out to parents this Friday and we will watch it as a school this Friday as well. Fingers crossed that this is the last virtual concert.

Important Dates

Dec 21 Last day of classes

Jan 5 Classes return.

5. Trustee Report - Colleen Holowaychuk

- ASBA Fall General Meeting was held Nov 14-16, 2021. I was sworn in as a Director on the Provincial ASBA Board of Directors.
- Minister attended, she said they are taking all of the feedback for the curriculum and we could see something very different from the draft that was originally released. Of course this is nothing for sure and we won't know until they release a second draft in spring 2022.
- Eips nominated Dow Chemical for the Asba Friends of Education Award. They were a Zone 2/3 Winner.
- November 25, 2021 Board Meeting
- Approved the unaudited accumulated surplus at August 31, 2021. Eips ended the year with an operating surplus 2021 of \$6.11 million, and an overall accumulated surplus of \$24.37 million.
- 2020-2021 Audited Financial Statements, Eips received a clean audit.
- Annual Education Results Report has been approved.
- The board approved the 2021-22 Fall Budget. The 2021-2022 operating budget is \$198.26 million, which includes drawing \$5.38 million from reserves.
- November 24-30, 2021 - School Assurance Reviews, schools shared their greatest strengths, challenges and opportunities for growth with the Board of Trustees and senior Administration.
- Dec 6-7 Board Retreat in Camrose
- December 13, 2021 - Minister announced some changes to curriculum and the roll out of only certain subjects to take place in fall 2022. Senior administration will be working on next steps of how it will affect our students and staff.

6. Town Report - Ashley Carter

We will be having public skate and shinny on Sundays now that we have the finalized BMSA schedule

- The Arena will be open on the 28, 29 and 30th for public skate and shinny
 - Side note: these activities are not considered group activities and therefore all minors over the age of twelve will have to show proof of vaccination, negative test or medical exemption to participate
- We will be having a Skate with Santa on Dec 18 from 1:00 to 3:30 to coincide with the Fire Departments event, we will have treat bags and games for minors
- We are scheduled to have the ODR opened on Dec 24th if the weather holds the way it says its going to..

7. Financial Report - Jacquie Senchuk (absent) Email sent to Paul McKay

Nothing has changed for the general school council account.

Totals \$2678.87 Breakfast account \$5557.94

Friends account continues to gain interest and has a total of \$155 787.56

8. Breakfast program -

Mr. McKay just mentioned that the school still has some funds (approximately \$1100) in an account separate from the breakfast account. It is allocated for breakfast supplies. It was donated a few years ago.

9. Old Business - None

10. New Business -

We discussed moving the parent council meetings back to in-person meetings. We will put out a discussion on our Facebook Messenger chat to see if there is any interest for this. If not, we will leave it online: however, meetings will be put back to 6 PM as agreed upon during this meeting by those present.

11. Other Business and Items for Next Month - None

Meeting Adjourned: 7:29 PM

Next meeting: Monday January 10, 2022 @ 6:00 pm

Location: TBD