

**Parkside Junior High School Council Meeting
October 30,2023**

In Attendance:

Pam Cursons-Trustee
Vicki Saucier- Casino Chair
Kandis McInnes-President
Nina Ruddock-Vice President

Jonh Baird-Principal
Nicky Nelsen-Treasurer
Janet Kraft- Vice Principal
Alissa Gertner-Secretary

Meeting called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Kandis McInnes.

Vicki moved to approve the agenda as presented by Kandis McInnes, Nikki seconded to motion.

Kandis McInnes approved the minutes as presented and Vicki seconded the motion.

President's Report:

Presented by Kandis McInnes. Kandis is trying to contact Camille Reimer regarding the details of the raffle that AGLC requires filing for. AGLC has given an extension for this until December 16th,2023. The raffle they are referring to was likely from the Spring Market.

The Tri-Council Meeting may be pushed off until January,2024. MWS will hold and chair the meeting, Kandis will check if we can contribute in some way. Alissa suggested that our council provide food and beverage refreshments.

Principal's Report:

Jonh Baird did a slide presentation of the school education plan. PSC groups were reviewed and are made up of mixed grade levels. Acceptable standards in the core curriculum classes were above the provincial average for Parkside students in Grade 9.

All parents and guardians are encouraged to complete the assurance survey when available and to please record a response for each metric. Parent involvement was low last year, only 7 sets of parents filled out the survey. From the survey, a goal for communication was set. Teachers sent out e-mails to parents at the beginning of the year. Parkside is also trying to increase staff communication.

Parkside still has a literacy and numeracy focus. Students may lag due to pandemic events leading up to Junior High School. Dedicated reading time of 10 minutes/day has been built into the school schedule.

The school is continuing wellness classes; one with a health focus and one with a wellness focus. These classes are facilitated by Mrs. Kraft and Mr. McKay.

Parkside will hold a learning exhibition in May of 2024. Margaret Wooding School will come in the afternoon of Fine Arts Night. Foods, CO2 car and music elective students will contribute to the exhibition. The theme for the Fine Arts Night will be School of Rock.

There are 30+ electives being offered this year. Term 2 and 3 elective sheets have been handed out to students today.

Supporting First Nations initiatives include the Moose Hide Campaign in which a father wore a patch of moose hide as a symbol of standing up against violence.

The Classroom Support Centre is staffed with an educational assistant, there is teacher access to the room at all times, this is board supported.

Jonn will get back to council on date for a school dance and School Spirit Elective will take this on. Kandis stated that we have a volunteer DJ- Blair Carrier.

Regarding the modernization project, preliminary drawings were shared. The gymnasium is a priority, 2 locations for the gym are possibilities. The old gym will become a CTS/ multipurpose space. There is a possibility of making the unused mud room into an art room and a concession for tournaments would be desirable. The gym plan is for 595 square meters of space.

Teacher/Admin Report:

Janet Kraft updated council on upcoming events at the school. Halloween activities are planned for tomorrow. Last football game is Thursday at 5:30 and basketball sign up sheets are posted. November 8th @ 10:15 is the Remembrance Day Service. Term 1 ends November 24th and Term 2 begins November 27th. The Christmas Market and tree lighting is November 24th.

So far Toonie Treats have been well received.

Next meeting will be November 27th at 6 p.m. We are awaiting a meeting time for Tri-Council.

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Kandis and was seconded by Vicki. Meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m..

Friends of Parkside October Meeting
October 30,2023 @ 7:25 p.m.

Meeting called to order by Kandis McInnes at 7:25 p.m. In attendance was Alissa Gertner, Nicky Nelson, Vicki Saucier, Kandis McInnes and Nina Ruddock.

Treasurer Report:

Nikki reported that the general account has \$6073.87 and Friends of Parkside/Casino account has a balance of \$10,272.81.

Casino Report:

Vicki Saucier, Casino Chair stated that casino volunteers were still needed for November 13th and 14th.

Discussion of Allocation of Funds:

Kandis McInnes made a motion to donate \$2000.00 for virtual reality equipment. Nikki seconded the motion, all parties agreed. The monies for this will come from the casino account.

Kandis made a motion to spend up to \$100 from the general account for Alissa to make/buy food and beverages for the Tri-Council Meeting. Vicki seconded the motion, all parties favoured the motion.

A discussion was held regarding gym stripe and council decided not to approve spending any funds on this request.

Alissa motioned spending up to \$500 for the foods program specifically for bowls and measuring cups as requested. Nikki seconded the motion and the entire council supported the motion.

Kandis made a motion to cover the costs of the coaches' Parkside Pythons shirts up to a maximum of \$900 from the general account. Nina seconded the motion, all members were in favour of the motion.

Toonie Treats has 57 subscribers. For the first treat 10 kids bought extra treats and Alissa and Vicki each donated \$20, together they bought 20 treats for other students. A float of \$60 was left locked up at the school. Alissa will ask Debbie to repost for further subscribers after December 15th for the remaining 9 treats when school resumes in January after the break through to the last treat in May. The cost for this will be \$18 on School Cash.

A date for the next meeting was set for November 27th following the Parkside School Council meeting.

Kandis made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Vicki seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45p.m..

