

Parkside Junior High School Council Minutes
September 26,2023

In Attendance:

Pam Cursons- Trustee
John Baird- Administration
Lloyd Bray- Teacher
Kandis McInnes- President
Nina Ruddock-Vice President
Alissa Gertner- Secretary

Call to order: 6pm at Parkside Junior High School

Previous Minutes: Movement to Approve by Kandis and Seconded by Nina Ruddock

Current Agenda: Approved by Nina Ruddock and Alissa Gertner seconded the motion

Reports:

Teacher Report By Lloyd Bray:

Students in Grade 7 are adapting to routines, timetables and lockers. Electives have started, Lloyd has 31 in the CO2 Car Elective and 11 in the Music Elective which includes guitar, bass, drums and singing. Music Room storage is on his wish list. Students have started with more basic content and will be progressing to more in-depth academics as students move forward. The first academic quiz is coming in Social this week. Grade 7 students have had a good start to school in the way of behavioural regulation.

President's Report By Kandis McInnes:

Kandis will contact Nicki Nelsen and Tamara Steinkey to sort out council business. Hot Dog lunch was suggested by Kandis with help of the Root Cellar. John Baird mentioned that the school has a \$5000 budget for food and prefers not to use The Root Cellar unless necessary. The Root Cellar comes every day through the brown bag lunch program, cups of noodles are also available to students. John mentioned that Kraft Dinner cups will be added to the vending machines and that charging for lunch as a fundraiser is allowed. John added that Destiny Currency at IF Cox makes soup and meatball sandwiches on Wednesdays of anyone who needs lunch. Teachers try to choose students that don't usually get hot lunch.

Administration Report by John Baird:

Mrs. Hayn is new on staff this year and is coaching volleyball as well. Kristy Lassiter is the FSLW. Helen is a new EA who did her practicum at the school last year and did well so was hired on as staff. There are 4 educational assistants 5 classes do not have educational assistants. 40 students/day attend homework help in the SCS room. There is a new evening custodian Robert Walkers. Enrollment is 158 students, some new students came from out of district and some students moved into Redcliff. A full time EA is in Grade 7 . Class sizes are 28 for that grade.

September 19th was Meet The Teacher Night, it was well attended by about 140 people. This is an event that will continue.

There are 3 girls volleyball teams and 1 boys team. 1 student did well in the cross country race.

Truth and Reconciliation Day is being celebrated on September 27th. Cowboy X is a presenter coming to the school. Grade 6s from Margaret Wooding are also coming for the event.

PJHS has over 30 electives a VR elective is being added as well as football and a college program called BEAD which is engineering based.

Modernization was discussed. GEC Architects is the lead from Calgary. Funding of \$14.1 million has been approved. Plans have changed PJHS will stay a Grade 7-9 school with modernization priorities of the gymnasium, CTS/multipurpose space as supervision is difficult and a gathering place is needed. The timeline for project start is November 2024. Updating food and art rooms is a hope. The Town of Redcliff is advocating for a new school near the RCMP station, this is not in the current plan as our schools are not overcapacity.

PSC Groups (Pride Service Character) have started activities to do good in the community. Some activities include snow shovelling, Terry Fox Run, pop can tab fundraiser, drying food with Prairie Gleaners and garbage pick up.

Alissa Gertner asked about the Tri-Council Meeting and John will ask the administration from the other 2 schools about interest in this. Our council has interest in the aforementioned.

Trustee Report by Pam Cursons:

The School modernization project will be added to the Prairie Rose web page with updates and Q and A sections. This is coming soon. Town Council is requesting an open house regarding modernization.

Casino Report By Alissa Gertner for Vicki Saucier

The casino license had been granted and John would like Vicki to contact him if volunteers are needed so social media can be used to recruit volunteers.

New Business:

Kandis McInnes would like to see the school host a school dance. John Baird would like to see the music chosen and played by an adult. John will see if the School Spirit Elective would be interested in organizing the event.

John Baird requested funding for gym stripe. He would also like to see some funding for the VR equipment which could cost unto \$35,000 per last quote, he is checking into some new pricing for that. John would also like funding for golf shirts for coaches projected cost is \$800.

Toonie Treats was addressed. A parent from another school has offered to take on the project for \$200/month for 2 treats/month. She could cater on Wednesdays which is not the best day for the school as that is soup and sandwich day. Fridays or Mondays are better with a preference for Friday. Alissa voiced concerns about profits due to high food and labour costs, council did not wish to raise the price of treats.

Next meeting date was set for October 30th at 6pm.

Motion to adjourn made by Nina Ruddock and Alissa Gertner seconded the motion.

Friends of Parkside September 26,2023

Attendance:

Kanis McInnes-President
Nina Ruddock- Vice President
Alissa Gertner- Secretary

Meeting Called to Order @ 7:15 pm

No previous meeting minutes or current agenda presented.

Outstanding/Old Business:

AGLC raffle paperwork not filed. Kandis McInnes has been trying to contact Camille Reimer for an update on this.

Kandis McInnes is waiting to hear back from last year's council regarding getting the new bylaws signed so that they can be sent in. Alissa sent forms for the By-Law Resolution to Kandis for the past council to sign and forwarded to e-mail from corporate registries on how to replace bylaws, 2 copies of the bylaws signed in original ink are required.

General Account Balance- Parkside School Advisory Committee is \$6073.87.

Friends of Parkside Association, possible casino account \$2072.81.

Corporate return is overdue for filing with societies.

Next Meeting is set for October 30,2023 following the School Council Meeting.

Kandis McInnes moved to adjourn the meeting, Nine Ruddock seconded the motion.