

**Parkside Junior High School Council Meeting**  
**September 25, 2024**

**In Attendance:**

Kandis McInnes- President  
Nina Ruddock- Vice President  
Alissa Gertner- Secretary  
Vicki Saucier- Parent

Jonn Baird- Principal  
Janet Kraft- Vice Principal  
Lloyd Bray- Teacher

Meeting called to order at 6:05 pm, by Kandis McInnes.

Nina made a motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting and Vicki seconded the motion.

Nina made a motion to adopt the current agenda, Vicki seconded the motion.

**Reports:**

**President's Report- Kandis McInnes**

Kandis stated we may have interest in the treasurer position, Krista Pettyjohn and Shay Lacasse may be possibilities. The AGM will be planned for next month and all parents who gave their names at Meet the Teacher Night will be contacted about the next meeting by text message.

Corporate Reports are due for 2023 and 2024. Kandis will contact Nicky Nelson about these financial reports.

Approval has been obtained for the Parkside Junior High School modernization project.

**Administration Report- Jonn Baird and Janet Kraft**

150 students are enrolled at the school this year. There are 3 Grade 7 classes , 2 Grade 8 classes and 2 Grade 9 classes. New to the school this year is Ms. Lana Cross from Senator Gershaw School, who is teaching Grade 8 and 9 English. Mr. Jared Clark is also new. Julie Lagasse is a new educational assistant on staff. There was a staggered start on the first day of school, which went well. Green and Black Day was held on the first Friday of the school year, students all received school t-shirts.

School pictures were September 18th and Meet the Teacher Night was the 19th of September. Truth and Reconciliation activities will include a video lesson explaining Orange Shirt Day. Parent/Teacher Interviews will be October 2 and 4th and will be 10 minutes/session.

Jonn stated that new purchases from Friends of Parkside have all arrived at the school. Staff are thankful for that.

Modernization funding has been announced. Students will be affected by the project in 2025 with a staged approach. We are waiting on a plan for possibly decanting students. A January 2025 start is possible. A budget of \$600,000 has been approved for equipment and furniture.

PSC groups are consisting of multiple grades. A few of their service projects include a food bank challenge, Snow Angels, the Angel Tree, school recycling and going to Prairie Gleaners.

Sports Elective in underway. The Football Program is also underway. 10 students from Parkside are partnering with St. Mary's of the Catholic Board of Education. This is the first year of that partnership. Prairie Rose has a memorandum agreement with the Catholic Board of Education. In the Medicine Hat Bantam Football is managed by the school boards instead of the community. This is a good partnership to intertwine with academics.

Running Club is led by Mrs. Deis. The running club received 6 medals at the Eagle Butte Run.

There are three girls volleyball teams and 1 boys team.

Other electives are underway and include volleyball, foods, C02 car elective, golf, teen business, games and strategy, baseball , LOG, fashion and 3D printing.

Mr. McKay is organizing wellness events. This Friday will be Indigenous games. A pep rally for football and volleyball will be held October 4th.

### **Teacher Report- Lloyd Bray**

Grade 7s are getting organized and have smaller class sizes this year. They are working on adapting to junior high school and the procedures of the school. Having an extra educational assistant is helping with the workload. Lloyd provided background regarding the football program during that conversation and continues to coach football.

### **New Business**

Alissa requested an online swag store be posted and sent the information on the Mac Design store to Jonn.

### **Old Business**

The new yearbook was handed out to all those who purchased it.

**The next meeting was set for October 23rd at 6:30 pm and will be the AGM, Janet will post the meeting tonight.**

Nina made a motion to adjourn the meeting and the motion was seconded by Vicki.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 pm.

**Friends of Parkside Meeting**  
**September 25,2024**

**In Attendance:**

Kandis McInnes-President  
Nina Ruddock- Vice President  
Alissa Gertner- Secretary  
Vicki Saucier- Casino Chair

The meeting was called to order at 6:58 pm.

Nina made a motion to adopt the previous minutes and Vicki seconded the motion.

Vicki made a motion to adopt the agenda and Nina seconded the motion.

**President's Report- Kandis McInnes**

Kandis presented the possibility of another fundraiser like jerky from Medicine Hat Meat Traders. The product is sold for \$10 and \$5 is profit. There are 7 flavours.

**Treasurers Report**

Treasurers is not present but Kandis will contact Nicky Nelson about reports that are due. No report on funds this month.

**Old Business**

Plans for the recipe book- Plates for Pythons- is ongoing. Only 47 recipes have been collected. Alissa will request for Lorrie Woitowich to post another recipe call on the Facebook page for Parkside. We must submit for November 10th to receive the books for Christmas. The fee to purchase the book is projected to be \$15.

Toonie Treats are being requested by the students, a brief discussion was held for the offering of seasonal Toonie Treats at Christmas, Valentines Day, Easter, Spring and End of Year.

**New Business**

The I.F. Cox School Parent Advisory Committee has proposed making a donation to Friends of Parkside with a maximum dollar amount of \$2700. This could be used for OT equipment for classroom support as 75% of students use the CSC room as a quiet area, accommodation for testing that requires reading and student de-escalation. School administration will compile a wish list with pricing.

The next meeting was planned for October 23rd.

Vicki made a motion to adjourn and Nina seconded the motion.  
Meeting adjourned at 7:25pm.