

Draft Minutes of the Joint Meeting of Poplar Ridge School Council and PTA

November 29, 2022 at 9:00 am in Multi-purpose room @ Poplar Ridge School

*indicates written report / attachments provided

Joint meeting attendees: Tricia Hansen, Jen Creasey, Stephanie Sommerfeldt, Megan Vallet Fredine, Kelly Fairall, Carolynne Muncer, Darren Pickering, Eloise Silvernagle, Colleen Robertson, Natasha Dudman, Sherry Cooper, Jen Hein and Tara Archuk

1. Call to order at 9:03 am
2. Approval of the November 29 agenda 1st by Jen C and 2nd by Megan VF
3. Approval of the October 25, 2022 Minutes * 1st by Jen C and 2nd by Tricia H
4. Principal's Report – Carolynne Muncer
 - A) Grades 4-6 had a survey sent home from the Government and we were able to go through the AB Education Assurance Measure Results. Of the 68 families – only 18 responded – so the results are not too accurate (26% response) – a question in the survey spoke of school improvements – and this result had declined from previous years – we will look into this more deeply to see where improvements can be made – also some of the results are skewed from the 3 years effected by Covid
 - B) Thank You's - Grade 3, Scholastic Book Fair, Breakfast Program

Ms. Gerski and students -thank you for funds for Drumheller Presentation

A huge success thank to all of our families! We had over \$3000 in sales

We get about 50 % back to purchase books for our Learning Commons and Classroom libraries

A huge thank you to Mrs. Czainski and volunteers Jen Creasy, Joanna Van Duzen, Ms. Duarte for helping at lunch and after during PTIs

Breakfast Program: a big thank you to Tara Archuk and Colet Grimbeek for making toast on Tuesdays/Thursdays for our students. The kids gobble it up!
 - C) Staffing Changes/Updates

Grade 5: Mr. Linski retired

Mrs. Hayley Hewitt is the new grade 5 teacher

Mr. P will move into the Division 2 PE teacher role

Grade 1: Mrs. Warder's Maternity Leave of Absence

We are interviewing this week

Will be able to have some transition time with new hire and Mrs. Warder
 - D) Covid Learning Disruption Intervention Funding

All jurisdictions received funding to support students in grade 2 and 3 who were identified on the Alberta Ed literacy and numeracy assessments. Grade 1 assessment & support in the New Year

We will know more this week and begin intervention programming ASAP. If your child qualifies for this support, your teacher will let you know.
 - E) Parent Teacher Interviews that were held had options of meeting in person, by phone call or online. It is nice to have some feedback about these options. What did we as parents appreciate about them and is there anything the teachers and staff can consider for the next interviews?... There was a great

turnout – 82% attendance. A huge thank you to Colet and Tara for providing the teachers with dinner on one of the evenings

5. Trustee Report – Sherry Cooper The AB school board had a meeting with the Minister of Education. A pilot project is set to go in Chinooks edge schools for 2 years and see how we can benefit. They look at using a P3 model (which is Public, Private and Partnership) – it can focus on things like mental health in children, short falls, etc. Will this P3 model even be workable? The great thing is – the minister IS Listening... The Premier's hope – is that schools will be running as "normal" again
6. PTA Committee updates
 - A) Hot Lunch – Stephanie Sommerfeldt We are looking into using "hotlunches.net" to help manage orders and payments (possibly use Bambora or PayPal) – look at cost options - \$250/calendar year with Hotlunches.net and it creates different usable reports – Steph to look at in more depth. Looked into using the PR Hall ovens and space to make different hot lunch menus – the new ovens at the hall are smaller than the old ones – and may not work for some meals that used to be prepared there (Sue Charles – PRH contact). Can start to price out different meals and need volunteers to head up ea. meal and organize their own crew (chicken burgers, soup, pancakes, etc.). Possibly more frequent order times
 - B) School Clothing – Eloise Silvernagle An additional order will be made available to families that missed out on the first opportunity to order, or if they are looking for Christmas gift options, or other. Order forms will be sent home in agenda and they will have a strict order deadline of December 8. This will guarantee the items to be available by December 23 – on time to be sent home with children before the Christmas break
 - C) Healthy Hunger/Papa John's – Jen Creasey – we have \$1100 take home profit from September
 - D) Bottle drop off is scheduled during PTI Nov 21-24 and again in January
 - E) Turkey lunch – Colet Parent volunteers have been organized to help cook and serve the entire school children and staff on Dec 16
 - F) Purdy's chocolates – Colleen orders over \$1600 already on website and will close and orders will arrive around Dec 8
 - G) Ever-Green nursery / Rebels tickets – Natasha poinsettia and Hockey tickets will be avail to p/u at the school on Dec 8 with 2 time slots avail
7. Financial Report - Kelly Fairall Auditing is complete – thank you to Jen and Alyne. Beehive and all monies pertaining to it are complete. Apple orders brought in \$1074 profit. There may be some funding going towards grade 5 fieldtrips with the new teacher Mrs. Hewitt and may be some changes with funding towards grade 6 fieldtrips. Report balances
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 - A) Christmas Concert is scheduled for Dec 22 with two performances 1:15 and 7:00. Volunteers are needed to pick up the stage at Steffie Woima School on the 16th with Belich's trailer and return it on the 23rd. No cost to use the stage. We will set up and tear down in our gym. We will set up VIP seating for the PTA Executive to use at the concerts
 - B) Next meeting is set for January 17, 2023
9. Meeting adjourned at 10:33 with coffee time to follow