

Avondale School Council Meeting Agenda
Wed, Oct 19, 2022

1. Call to Order -6:33 pm
2. Introductions- [Jessie, Naomi, Dylan, Lynn, Colin, Ray, Sonja, Jae, Anna](#)
3. Approval of Agenda-[Anna- Seconded by Jessie](#)
4. Approval of Minutes from Sept 21, 2022 – [Anna seconded by Jessie](#)
5. Treasurer Report- [Naomi Bressey- No transactions this month](#)
6. School Board Report – [Mr. Ray Buziak-](#)

[5 items insert Ray's report here](#)
7. Administrator's Report – [Colin Murphy- See below](#)

[Dylan-Asked about text communication.](#)

[Colin- Some use in the high school. Younger schools use Bloomz and other aps to get quick communications. Elementary schools do not use texts as phone numbers may be land line not necessarily cell. Communication may not be immediate.](#)

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8. Actions from last meeting
Welcome to our new School Council
 - a. Chair- Anna Schulte
 - b. Vice Chair- Dylan Bressey
 - c. Secretary-Jessie Kay
 - d. Treasurer-Naomi Bressey
 - e. Meeting minutes have been linked to the newsletter/website
School Council now has section in newsletter with contact info and important information

9. New Business

a. Walk-a-thon- Nov 4th- Jae

Fundraising for school generated funds- used for supplementing student initiatives

b. Family Dance – Oct 28th

*In lieu of entry fee, bring non- perishable food item

*May wear costumes.

*Bake sale items will be solicited from grade 1,3,5.

*Parent Council interest table. Naomi and Dylan will offer a prize for families who inquire about parent council.

c. Munch a Lunch- discussion re: Munch a Lunch and Citrus Catering-there is a cost involved with Munch a Lunch.

*Waiting until the next meeting to determine if the council has money to pay the sign- up fee.

*Colin suggested asking Roy Bickell for their restaurant suggestions

10. Questions/Other Business-

*Christmas Craft/Garage Sale sponsored by the Enviro Team

*Jessie spoke about the Team and how funds have been used in the past.

*Please start to think about donation items.

11. Date of Next Meeting: November 16, 2022-6:30 pm

12. Adjournment -7:45 pm

School Council – Principal’s Report Wednesday, October 19th, 2022

Celebrations and Appreciation

Recently held the School Board Social where staff were recognized for their long service awards

Angie Craig-10 Years

Grace Backlund -20 years.

Exemplary Staff member – Stacey Quinn

Staffing and Student population:

Current student enrollment is 158

Hired 2 more Education Assistants to work in grade 5 and grade 4

Mrs. Sheena Ness covering short term leave in grade 1

Collaborative Work and Staff Focus

Friday PL day K-6 teachers will be participating in new curriculum work, planning and assessment

Three-Year Education Plan for Avondale School Priority Area: currently in Year 2

Priority Area 1: Inclusion

Outcome 1: Increased engagement for our stakeholders is essential to the success of our school community and the high achievement of our students.

Strategies include:

- Classroom management strategies promote positive and engaging learning environments. Parents/guardians are informed of and included in their child’s learning and the school community. Examples include, o Collaborative development of Individual Program Plans (IPPs) and Academic Action Plans (AAPs)
- Regular communication between home and school is prioritized. Examples include Teacher communication (Phone calls, email, Bloomz parent communication app, Google Classroom, parent-teacher meetings, student information board)

Outcome 2: Students who are able to self-regulate and have their social emotional needs met will achieve to their highest potential.

Strategies include:

- All classrooms implement the PATHS (Positive Alternative Thinking Strategies) program to support students in their social-emotional learning.
- All students participate in Dare to Care anti-bullying lessons. All staff complete the associated training, and the parent courses are available virtually to all parents.
- The 7 Sacred Teachings are integrated to support and enhance Social Emotional Learning.
- Social Emotional Learning is meaningfully integrated into classroom instruction to build student understanding and develop skills

Priority Area 2: Teaching and Learning

Outcome 1: Quality teacher collaborative practice and reflection will lead to improved student achievement.

Strategies include:

- Opportunities are regularly scheduled for teachers to collaborate to build their instructional skills. Teachers seek and critically review educational research to improve practice.
- All school staff develop inquiry questions to improve their practice and move through a cycle of implementing strategies, collecting evidence, and reviewing findings.
- Meetings are regularly scheduled with all staff members and school administration to review professional growth and learning

Outcome 2: Effective differentiation provides the structures for teachers to ensure students can achieve to their full potential.

Strategies include:

- Students are supported with intervention opportunities when required to further develop their skills. Examples include, o Grade 1-4 Literacy and Numeracy Intervention Program
- Grade 4-6 literacy and numeracy support for students with lagging skills
- Small groups within the regular education classroom targeted on specific skills
- Students are able to demonstrate their learning in multiple forms/ways.
- A variety of instructional strategies are used in classrooms to support student learning.
- Staff are provided with professional learning time to build and refine differentiated practice.

Information:

Our District Elementary Intervention Literacy and Numeracy, Frontier College reading program and our ELL/ Indigenous 4-6 intervention has all started now (2 weeks)

- Elder Darlene Cardinal- has been at Avondale now twice and worked with each classroom (Seven Sacred Teachings)
- Triple Ball Practices have started at lunch for grade 5 and 6 boys and girls.
- Turkey Dinner at Elks Hall Tentative date hope to confirm 2nd week of December
- Student Lead assemblies are starting with kindergarten first assembly (re introducing school song) and grade 4D Remembrance Day Assembly
- Earth Rangers Assembly Nov 14 (we empower kids to become environmental leaders at home, in school and in their communities.)
- Passion Clubs are starting – students made selections from a variety of options such as (beading, cooperative gym games, Lego , crochet, art, music, coding, and hand sewing)

District Communications

Reminder:

Alberta Schools Council Engagement Grant & Alberta Schools Council Association Workshops

We can apply for funding; school council can decide what workshops or engagement grants they wish to apply for.

Important Upcoming Events and Dates:

Oct 21 Professional Learning Day (no school)

Oct 28 Family Dance

Oct 31 School Spirit Day- Costumes

Nov 5 5/6 Triple Ball tournament

Nov 10 Remembrance Day Assembly

Nov 11 Remembrance Day- No School

Nov 14 Earth Rangers Assembly

Nov 18 School Spirit Day- Funky Sock Day

Nov 24 Term 1 Report Cards

Nov 25 Professional Learning Day (no school)

Nov 30-Parent Teacher Interviews

Dec 1 Parent Teacher Interviews

