

## School Council Minutes Wednesday, November 7th, 2018

1. Call to Order-6:36 pm
2. Introductions- Lesley Craig- Board Trustee
3. Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting (Oct. 10, 2018)-Carried
4. Approval of Agenda- Brandi Kolosky
5. Principal's Report – Jae LeClerc

\* Oct. 31- Science in Motion gave individual presentations to tour grade 4-6 and a whole school assembly at the end of the day- Well received by students.

\*Admin are in the process of completing the School Plan and Results Report.

\* Last Professional Learning Day (PL Day)- continued to work on our Positive Behavior supports and the new Teacher quality Standards.

\*Next PL Day will be focusing on trauma and its effects on the brain as well as the implications for our practice.

\*Important Upcoming dates:

\*Nov. 19- Hot Lunch

\* Nov. 22- Crazy hair Day

\*Nov. 23 PL Day- No school for students

\*Nov. 30- Report cards go home

\* PTI's Monday December 3- 5:00-8:00 pm and December 4- 4:00-7:00 pm

\*Dec. 7- No School -Day in lieu of PTIs

## 6. Board Member Report – Lesley Craig

- Moved to the beginning of the agenda as Lesley was double booked
- Leslie shared her role with the Parent Council- bringing the news from the board
- Charles Spencer hosts the 4A Provincial Volley Ball-November 22-24- Quite an honor
- November 28- Mohamed to host 7-9pm at the District Office- The session is designed to help School Councils in their media and Face book strategies.
- Christmas Card Contest- First and second prizes are used as the District cards
- 2019 Teaching Excellence- nominations due January 14, 2019- It is an award for teaching excellence in Science, Tech, Math, Engineering, and Early Education – bring teachers to mind.  
Who would you recommend for an award?
- Every Day Matters- Attendance awareness promotion by the District. The goal is to bring awareness to the importance of school attendance.
- Nov. 20- Teen Vaping Awareness session- 6:30 pm at the Board Office.
- 2019- Great Kids Award- November 30- For children who have overcome the odds and succeeded in their life.
- In Edmonton for Public School Districts of Alberta- Concern cited: Remote areas run into difficulty with funding each separate system/public system and merge funds and infrastructure.  
More information at: [togetherforstudents .ca](http://togetherforstudents.ca)
- Education Foundation- to have a presentation for the support offered to the school
- If we have any questions that cannot be addressed at the school level, ask Lesley to take our questions back to the board.

## 7. Update:

a) Halloween Dance/Bake Sale results-\$350.00- Thank you to parents for their incredible support of the fundraiser.

b) Hot lunches for children (Munch-a-lunch)- Brandi-What organizational plan worked last year for Lesley who ran the lunch program? Next Hot Lunch-December 17- Site to be determined. Brandi will investigate. Ensure that the Hot lunch and Turkey Dinner are not in conflict.

**\*\*Update- Kristina was able to secure Munch a Lunch and has booked 3 dates for Hot Lunches- November 19, December 3, and December 17**

c) Gravel for additional parking-Jae to send in another work order-done!

d) Charity (Christmas shoe box or anything else)-Alberta Schools do not support the Shoe Box. Talked about the Christmas Hamper for Avondale families. Lynn suggested that we look at organizations within the city where students could give tangibly. Grande Prairie Care Centre, for instance was suggested as a possible venue to make a community connection with the children.

## 8. New Business:

a) The learning team newspaper (class size)-Anna shared that while we are lucky at Avondale, many schools have much larger class sizes.

b) Fundraising-Anna shared several fundraisers. We talked about what we might fundraise for.

Questions about turkey dinner. When is the turkey dinner? Do we need funds for sponsoring the dinner? Volunteers?

c) Time capsule ideas-Interesting for kids- open in 20 years. Avondale is 60 years old

this year. This could be a way to celebrate the 6-decade anniversary.

9. Questions- none

Accolades: Lynn thanked Brandi and Anna for stepping up and helping the school; keeping the interest of the whole school in their suggestions and comments.

10. Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

11. Adjournment-7:45pm

Post meeting notes:

Discussion about the possibility of having a hot dog lunch on December 10 and setting up a table at PTI's to collect names for volunteers to wrap hot dogs