

Avondale School Council Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, May 4, 2022

1. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m.

2. Introductions
Present at the meeting were: Anna Schulte (Chair), Mark Sandul (Secretary), Angela Burrows (Parent), Wade Burrows (Parent), Erin McNamar (Parent), Matthew Omosebi (Parent), Ray Buziak (Trustee), Lynn Vanderveen (Teacher), Jae LeClerc (Vice Principal), Kristina Black (Principal)

3. Approval of Agenda
Moved: Mark Sandul
Seconded: Matthew Omosebi
The agenda of May 4, 2022 is approved.

4. Approval of Minutes of April 6, 2022
Moved: Anna Schulte
Seconded: Erin McNamar
The minutes of April 6, 2022 are approved.

5. School Board Report – Trustee Ray Buziak
 - a. The School Board met with the City Council on April 25th regarding plans for the Avondale North neighbourhood.
 - i. Very little information shared.
 - ii. The city is waiting to hear back from Alberta Culture before some decisions are made.
 - iii. The city is looking to provide covered outdoor recreation centres throughout the city. They will likely start at the rink at Swanavon.
 - b. Private School Funding in Alberta – Presentation by Curtis Reip
 - i. See [here](#) for the Public School Boards Association of Alberta website.
 - ii. Private schools can:
 1. Charge fees of their own choosing
 2. Choose their own curriculum
 3. Choose who they admit or decline
 - iii. 160 boards serving 38,000 students

- iv. Private schools receive 70 percent of all applicable school grants

6. Treasurer Report – Naomi Bressey

- a. Naomi was absent from the meeting.
- b. Status of the School Council accounts:
 - i. Bank balance of \$616.97 (cheque for gift card has not cleared yet)
 - ii. Amount in Avondale accounts from Citrus Catering - \$219.23
 - iii. Amount spent on masks for younger students - \$74.56
 - iv. Total amount available to School Council - \$761.64 (with gift card amount yet to clear).
- c. We have a \$500 grant to use on an ASCA workshop. We will lose this at the end of the year if we don't use it.

7. Administrator's Report – Kristina Black & Jae LeClerc

- a. See pages 4 & 5.

8. Actions from last meeting

- a. ASCA School Council Workshops
 - i. The Work of School Council
 - 1. Date options – Monday, May 16th, Wednesday, May 25th, Thursday, June 2nd
 - 2. The cost will be \$200.
 - ii. We must also attend a School Council Purpose Workshop before The Work of School Council. An available workshop will be held on Thursday, June 2nd.
- b. Spring Community Event – Open House & Movie Night
 - i. Approximately 200 people attended.
 - ii. Thank you for your support!
- c. Dare to Care
 - i. Our staff are almost finished the professional development and are implementing the lessons in their classrooms.
 - ii. Parent Night: Thursday, May 19th at 6:30 p.m.

9. New Business

- a. Board Meeting Thursday, May 5th – Would anyone like to attend with Anna in person?

- i. 7:00 p.m. at Central Office
 - ii. Agenda
 - 1. 3-year education plan
 - 2. Division assurance survey results
 - 3. Curriculum
 - 4. Student Advisory Committee
 - 5. Feedback from school councils
 - iii. If you are interested, let Anna know.
 - b. Munch a Lunch – Would we like School Council to purchase this for next year? The cost is \$350 for the year.
 - i. Mrs. Marshall said she would help to set this up if it is something we want to do.
 - ii. Once or twice a month.
 - iii. Food ordered from local restaurants (i.e., Pizza Hut)
 - iv. Do we want to purchase the membership? Kristina will send out a poll to ask families if they are interested. We will then vote at the June meeting.
10. Questions/Other Business
11. Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday, June 8th at 6:00 p.m. This will be a supper combined with The Work of School Council workshop.
12. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

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Celebrations and Appreciation

- Community Open House & Movie Night
 - This night was a great success. Thank you to everyone who came out with their families!
- 3D Charity Soccer Tournament to support the 3D Children’s Society
 - Avondale students have raised \$700
 - 19 students from grades 4-6 will be representing Avondale on May 6th at CKC Field (near Charles Spencer).
- Western Day & Pancake Breakfast
 - May 27th
 - Students wear their western gear to school and will receive a free pancake breakfast when they arrive at school.

Collaborative Work and Staff Focus

- Collaborative Inquiry
 - Avondale Collaborative Inquiry Question – **In what ways can administration support teacher reflective practice to provide structures and resources that ensure differentiation meets student needs?**
 - Focus on differentiation – How do we effectively meet the needs of all our students?
 - PL Friday – May 20th
 - Dare to Care – Anti-Bullying/Conflict Resolution training for staff
 - New curriculum work
 - Three Year Plan and Assurance Framework
 - Collaborative Inquiry

Information

- Are You Returning? Forms
 - Due May 13th
 - Please fill out with your current information/intentions. If they change between now and September, you can update the school.
 - New programs of choice: STEM and Music

Important Upcoming Events and Dates

- Friday, May 6th – 3D Charity Soccer Tournament
- Wednesday, May 11th – Grade 6 Walk Through the Forest field trip
- Wednesday, May 18th – Grade 6 English Language Arts Part 1 PAT
- Friday, May 20th – Professional Learning Day – No school for students
- Monday, May 23rd – Victoria Day – No school for students or staff

- Friday, May 27th – Western Day & Pancake Breakfast
- Monday, May 30th – Grade 5/6 Division Track Meet
- Wednesday, June 1st – School Council Meeting