

Avondale School Council Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, January 12, 2022

1. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m.
2. Introductions – Anna Schulte (Chair), Naomi Bressey (Treasurer), Mark Sandul (Secretary), Ray Buziak (School Board Trustee), Kristina Black (Principal), Jae LeClerc (Vice Principal), Lynn Vanderveen (Grade 5/6 Teacher), Chido Adikea (Parent), Mitch Burrows (Parent), Angelina Burrows (Parent), Fadeian Wallace (Parent)
3. Approval of Agenda
Moved: Mark Sandul
Seconded: Mitch Burrows
The agenda is approved.
4. Approval of Minutes of November 3rd, 2021
Moved: Mark Sandul
Seconded: Naomi Bressey
The minutes of November 3rd, 2021 are approved.
5. School Board Report – Trustee Ray Buziak
 - a. The GPPSD has finalized an AP on vaccination for all staff and volunteers working with students. This AP is in effect as of January 31st, 2022.
 - b. The Board has approved a redrawing of the boundaries to accommodate the opening of the new Composite High School.
 - c. The Board of Trustees viewed the new Composite High School before the break.
 - d. Meeting with the MLA: The Board is asking to meet with our MLA to discuss curriculum and support for mental health.
6. Treasurer Report – Naomi Bressey
 - a. Same amount of money as the last meeting: November 30th balance was \$616.97
 - b. There is nothing coming in or out for the month of December.
 - c. Motion: School Council will purchase a gift card for Kevin Rye to thank him for ploughing a path across the school field.
Moved: Anna Schulte

Seconded: Mark Sandul
The motion is approved.

7. Administrator's Report – Kristina Black & Jae LeClerc
See pages 3 & 4 below.
8. Actions from last meeting
 - a. There were no actions to carry forward from the last meeting.
9. New Business
 - a. School Council Trustee Liaison minutes
 - b. Updates to 2021 22 Back to School Plan (related to COVID safety procedures)
 - c. \$500 grants available for School Councils
 - i. GPPSD School Council ASCA Workshops 2022
 1. School Council Purpose – Thursday, January 27th from 7:00-8:00 p.m.
 2. The Work of School Council – Thursday, February 17th from 7:00-8:00 p.m.
 3. Effective Engagement in Your School Community – Thursday, March 17th from 7:00-8:00 p.m.
 4. You must register in advance for all of the above sessions. The registration links will be emailed to all parents, along with the minutes to this meeting.
 5. We can access further workshops with our \$500 grant if we are interested. Please think about this and provide your feedback to Anna or Kristina if there is a workshop that interests you.
10. Questions/Other Business
11. Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 2nd at 6:30 p.m. online (Zoom invite to be sent by Kristina)
12. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

School Council – Administrator’s Report

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Celebrations and Appreciation

- Christmas/winter celebrations
 - Thank you to Mrs. LeClerc for organizing some fun festivities the last week of school before the break. The students especially enjoyed their time decorating cookies in the gym.
- Education Foundation School Grant Program Funding Approval
 - \$2900 for replacement iPads
 - Books for grade 1
 - Sound system for the gym
- Community donations for Avondale families
 - Paquin’s
 - Grande Prairie Firefighters Charitable Foundation
 - My Luv Pack Ltd.
 - The GPPSD Multidisciplinary Team
 - Keddie’s Tack & Western Wear
 - GP Masonry U18 B Knights
 - Enercorp
- Literacy Week
 - We have lots of fun activities coming up for Literacy Week!! Guest readers, literacy raffles, dress-up days, and an overall celebration of literacy will be the focus for the week.
 - See the Important Upcoming Events and Dates for more information.

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?
- [Three-Year Education Plan for Avondale School](#) – If you get a chance to review this before our next meeting, it would be very appreciated!
 - Priority Area 1: Inclusion
 - Outcome 1: Increased engagement for our stakeholders (students, parents, staff, and community members) is essential to the success of our school community and the high achievement of our students.
 - Outcome 2: Students who are able to self-regulate and have their social-emotional needs met will achieve to their highest potential.
 - Priority Area 2: Teaching and Learning

- Outcome 1: Quality teacher collaborative practice and reflection will lead to improved student achievement.
- Outcome 2: Effective differentiation provides the structures for teachers to ensure students can achieve to their full potential.
- At our meeting in February, we will be looking at our results from last year and how they are informing our goals.

Information

- Survey: What topics would you like to see covered at our School Council meetings? This survey will come out at the end of this week.
- Inclusion in GPPSD and Avondale School – update
 - Recognizing various cultural holidays/celebrations – Stay tuned for a calendar that is more inclusive of the holidays observed by all of our families.

Important Upcoming Events and Dates

- Friday, January 14th – Professional Learning Day
- January 24th-28th – Literacy Week
- Thursday, January 27th – Literacy Day
- Friday, January 28th – Dress as your favourite book character
- Wednesday, February 2nd – School Council meeting on Zoom at 6:30 p.m.
- Friday, February 4th – Professional Learning Day