# Stony Plain Central School Parent Council Meeting September 21, 3:45pm Google Meet

# **AGENDA**

#### 1.0 Call to Order and Introductions

- Call to order 3:46pm
- Attendance: Tanya Neuman (Principal), Warren Moody (Assistant Principal),
   Jennifer Arklie (Teacher), Patricia Theriault (Teacher), Krystal Hoogendoorn
   (Parent), Tasha Laurie (Parent), Keri Labrenz (Parent), Meghan Resch (Parent),
   Elise Townsend (Parent), Kat Lillico (Parent)
- Due to the upcoming elections, Board Trustee not in attendance until after elections complete
- Elise taking minutes for this meeting

### 2.0 Approval of Agenda

- Approved by Meghan and Tasha
- 2.1 Approval of Minutes: Jun 15, 2021 (AGM)
  - Approved by Meghan and Elise
- **3.0** Elections Chair Krystle Hoogendoorn
  - Vice Chair Tasha Laurie
  - Secretary Marty Lohr
  - Members at large Keri Labrenz, Meghan Resch, Elise Townsend
  - All positions filled by the member putting their name forward. Carried with unanimous approval for all positions.

# 4.0 What's On Your Mind?

Floor is open to everyone. Questions, Comments, Concerns or Celebrations

- Elise with kids being away last year, just wanted to say how happy they are to be back in the school and come home with smiles on their faces every day.
- Krystle commending the staff for the awesome job they do for the inclusion of all students.

### 5.0 Society Update

- Fundraising
  - Little Ceasar's Pizza is currently running. Orders close Sept 24 for paper orders and Sept 27 for online orders.
- Hot Lunch
  - Will run Monday
  - October ordering just closed yesterday. Did very well as were back to pre Covid numbers.
  - Due to ongoing Covid restrictions, just using Vendor's at the moment.

### 6.0 Chairs Report

- What does Council do?
  - All in attendance were aware of the role of the Parent Council. Krystle
    just reminded us that it is to bridge the gap between the parent and
    school communities and place where we can communicate which is
    essential during these times when parents are not in the schools.
- Role of council
- Future meeting dates and times
  - A survey was sent out to parents to try and find a time to accommodate more attendees to the meetings. Tanya said there were 12 responses with the majority preferring a later meeting time and held virtually.
  - The next meeting will be held at the current 3:45pm time, with the following ones at the later time for a couple months. We will review the meeting times to determine the times going forward in the New Year.

# 7.0 Board Report

- Tanya communicated the Board Report in the absence of the Trustee due to upcoming elections.
- The Board of Trustees will advocate for the reimplementation for contact tracing in Alberta schools.
- Approved a recommendation to urge the Minister of Education to extend the implementation timeline and consider rewriting the currency Draft K-6 curriculum.
- Approved a plan for awareness of mask protocol. Since then it has changed due to provincial mandates.
- They received information about the Indigenous Education Report which identifies key objectives for education planning.
- Board Trustee elections are October 18, 2021

# 8.0 Principal's Report

- Tanya:
  - Just over 600 kids in the school notice a difference with those returning to in person learning this year.
  - There is a new school website that we were shown and walked through.
    - Has permission forms, code of conduct, calendar, a place for council information, new school updates, were just a few of the features on it.
  - Update on new school construction is happening, but is delayed due to structural steel shipment. Still on track for the proposed move of 2 years.
  - Sept 30 is National Truth and Reconciliation day. With no school that day an adjustment has been made to the calendar and May 19 is now an instructional day. School will recognize this with the students on Sept 29.
  - Teachers have been busy working through benchmark assessments in numeracy and literacy with their classes. The Government of Alberta does have funds available that they will be applying for based on their results.
  - Field trips and Play Parkland are allowed back this year

- Jr High Volleyball has started. No spectators allowed.
- o Terry Fox Run teachers will do individually with their class

#### Warren:

- Updated on the Jr High options for the year.
- Gr 7's will have a mini cycle where they get to try a little bit of all 9 different options.
- Gr 8 & 9's they will also run a cycle of options, but will have the ability for some selection in those areas that require more time and commitment such as Foods and Performing Arts.
  - The students are enjoying the flexibility

#### 9.0 Teacher Presentation

- Jennifer and Patricia provided updates
- They have also noticed the students are so very happy to be back in the classrooms this fall.
- Jr High volleyball has commenced
- Cross Country running is in full swing with about 50 students of all ages participating.
- The Terry Fox Run will be held by the individual classes during their gym/DPA time.
- Play Parkland will commence for the grades 3 & 4's on Sept 23.
- Teachers are working through the numeracy and literacy benchmarks with their classes
- Truth and Reconciliation Day will be observed in the school with age appropriate lessons on Sept 29
- Jennifer and Patricia are still figuring out the details for meeting for their student leadership group, but once that is up and running they will plan the spirit days

#### 10.0 Questions/What's on Your Mind?

- Kat brought forth a question regarding the new Francophone Project and some media communication that they were going to be sharing our gym space. Tanya confirmed that the communication article was a little misleading and that they are two completely different schools and projects.
- Tasha brought forward concern about homework for students at home due to illness as her children were home for a full week and did not receive much work to do. Possibly a result of being the very beginning of the school year, but would like those at home to be kept up to speed as much as possible.

### 11.0 Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 4:39pm
- Next meeting Oct 26, 2021 at 3:45pm with Google Meet

School Council is a group of people who work together to advise the principal and the board on respecting matters relating to the school. Thank you for your attendance.