

Regular Meeting Minutes

January 18, 2022

5:00 p.m. - In Person (Google Meet available)

* indicates written report/attachment provided

1. Call to Order 5:03pm

- Staff: Paige Duplessie, Sherry Phfanmuller, Mike Taveroli, Tammie Vandervolf, Kim Hagman
- Executive Board: Alana Simpson, Tammy Ethier, Debbie McRobbie, Yvonne Lovich, Jennifer Kerr

- Members: Shelly Starman, Emilie Wold, Manny Murphy, Eve, Korina
- NGPS Members: Debbie Koloski
- Verification of quorum: Yes

2. Review of Agenda

- Additions/Removals: Jenn Kerr called out the Hot Breakfast bullet point in the agenda should read more succinctly and more unbiased.

3. * Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting Minutes

Motion: Shelly Starman

Accepted: Yes

4. Reports

4.1 Principals Report

- Miss Paige Duplessie has returned from maternity leave--Welcome back!
- ASCA Item - Results Review
- Assurance Survey Results were presented to the board at the end of November
- Highlighted 5 areas where SCS saw improvements from previous year.
- Highlighted 3 areas where we could potentially improve as we saw a decrease in satisfaction.
- It was discussed that the survey is answered by parents, students and staff.
- Only 8 parents answered the survey, 100% of students and staff answered.
- The group discussed the validity of the survey in general, how the questions were hard for students to understand but teachers can not and do not help with the interpretation. Also discussed how so few parents are answering the survey. Could the difficulties and limitations of the survey be communicated with our government?
- PAT results were very positive and surpassed the provincial average in all ways.



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- Math 9 showed 77% acceptable compared to 50% for the province. It was also noted that the two students who did not receive 'acceptable' were new to SCS.
- LA 9 showed 100% acceptable
- Social 6 received 61% Exceptional compared to 30% provincial average
- There was a group discussion around sharing the SCS PAT results through SCS school website, Facebook relevant pages, school newsletter as well as the newspaper. Mike Tavaroli to share a summary of the results.
- Sherry P. encouraged all meeting attendees to fill out the new assurance survey coming out as well as share the importance with other parents.
- Christmas Concert discussion
 - Sherry P. discussed the idea of moving towards a more k-5 Christmas concert in the future and having a later spring drama production for the 6-9 kids. This was in the hope to simplify the process. No one expressed any opposition to this idea. Further discussion will be needed before decision is made.

4.2 Teachers Report: Mrs. Tammie Vanderwolf

- Whitecourt Rotary Music Festival - Grade 2&3 students will play the ukulele.
- Hockey Hookie - Feb 28th for 4-9 students, \$20/tickets. Due to lack of bus drivers, students may need to leave the game before it is over. Survey to be sent out to parents to see if they are okay with this or if they prefer not to attend.
- Ski Trip - March 9th for Grade 2 and up.
- Science Motion: fully booked this year
- Skating has started this year, calendar can be seen on SCS website.
- Discussed alternating Hockey and Science in Motion every year. All were supportive of this.

4.3 *Board of Trustee Report

- December 20th, Annual education report was reviewed.
- Code of professional conduct for teachers was reviewed.
- Royal Caucus is focusing on the 3 R's; Resilience, Reconciliation and Rejoice.
- Shelly Starman asked Trustee Koloski when we could expect the roof to be repaired. Koloski deferred the question to Sherry P.



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- There was a group discussion around the roles and responsibility of school board Trustee, as an elected member, and whether the trustee could or should advocate for a specific school. Trustee Koloski to gain better understanding on roles and responsibilities and share with the group at the next meeting.

5. Standing Business

5.1 School Budget (2022-2023) - interested in seeing where the budget is. What is our allocation in a year, where does it go, How is it being spent?

- This was skipped over.

5.2 School Council Annual Agenda - items:

- Begin discussion relating to upcoming School Budget (2023-2024) and Three-Year Educational Plan
- Assessment of School Council Plan relating to supporting Student Learning
- This was skipped over as well

5.2 Yearbooks - ETA of yearbooks

- Last year's year book are in print and will probably arrive in the next few weeks
- Discussed how labour intensive this process is and it was suggested that a committee of volunteers be put together to help wherever possible.

5.3 Hot Breakfast Program

- PASS originally started this program as it was evident due to long bus rides that our students needed a healthy start to their day after being on the bus for an hour. Student progress was up after the implementation of this program and all staff reported positive results. It was taken over by SCS and grant money was received. Last year we had hot options like toast or pancakes a couple of times a week. In September, it was announced that it would go to one day a week, Fridays. Now we are down to whenever they want to do it. Why are we failing to fulfil the commitments that were made in September. If it is staffing - why isn't the council/pass being asked for help? Why are we taking programs away from our students BEFORE we are asking for



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help from our volunteers and fundraising association? The first step should never be to take anything away from the students. Volunteers have always pre-made muffins/pancakes/waffles for Hot Breakfast items, but we need to be asked to do this. How can we work together to get back on track? Students have requested regular hot breakfasts and homemade muffins opposed to store-bought pre-packaged breakfasts.

- Several clarifications were made to the bullet above; Paige Duplessie initiated the program, not PASS, 'Hot' breakfast is a loose term as sometimes it isn't hot but cold or pre-prepared, and that the missed week that was referenced was due to unforeseen circumstances with several of the teachers calling in sick.
- No action needed.

6. New Business

6.1 Upcoming Events for School Council Involvement/Volunteer request

- Yearbook, Can we create a committee for next year?

6.2 Sangudo Children's Academy & Daycare - Update

- 15 children registered. Space Creation Grant application was submitted.
- There was one closure due to gas line repairs that needed to be reported.

6.3 Valentine's day - Any events scheduled - Do we need volunteers for anything?

6.4 March 14 - Tuesday - annual pie day - Volunteers would bake the pies and serve students and staff? Cost would be minimal and run through fundraising association

6.5 Class Options for Jr. High students - how are we choosing options? Parents are not given any information on what the options will be, rather it is student led? Is SCS looking for more of a selection? When is the programming decided? Just looking for information.

7.

Next Meeting

- SCS - February 15, 2022 , 5:00pm
- PASS - February 15, 2022 , 6:00pm

8. Adjournment - 6:25 pm

