SD51 - District School Council

April 4, 2016

Minutes

6:00pm – Budget presentation to be added to district website
Draft budget for 2016/17 will be presented to Trustees and Public May 24, 2016; 6:30pm

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Approval of Agenda
   Amanda Cross approved, Dayna Tilleman second

3. Approval of Minutes from March 2016
   Approved by Hollie Tarasewich, Dayna Tilleman second

4. Business Arising from the Minutes - NONE

5. Trustee Report – Keith Fowler
   Included with agenda
   Discussion about LGBTQ Public meeting. Close to 1000 people attended. Committee is formed. SD51 representatives are Jan Foster and Wendy Fox. The committee will present back to the Board on April 19th.

6. Alberta School Councils Association (ASCA) – Allison Pike
   ASCA Conference and AGM is coming up April 22-24 in Edmonton. District pays registration for 1 rep per school. As well as provides $200 towards expenses. Many great sessions as well as Minister of Education will be there.
   Resolutions and by-law revisions are on the ASCA website for DSC reps to take back to their school councils. There are 6 in total – 5 resolutions and 1 policy amendment. DSC has a list of people who can take proxy votes to the AGM (April 22-24). Each attendee can only take 5 proxy votes. All forms were handed out at last meeting and can be found on ASCA website. Contact Allison if you need help with finding forms, finding someone to take your proxy votes or have any questions.

7. Reports from District Committees:
   District Policy Advisory Committee
   - Allison Pike reported
   - during last meeting the policies reviewed were on counselling services, communications, and advertising, distribution and merchandising
   - Leanne will be sending them out

   Poverty Intervention Committee
   - May 10th appreciation lunch

   Healthy Schools Committee
   - Trina Tymko reported
   - Healthy Schools Forum took place March 16th
   - Parents learned a lot about what is going on in terms of health at their schools
   - Facilitated by Joyce Sunada; very positive experience
- at the end every school came up with a plan of how they are going to move forward with wellness
- School Council Chairs can ask to see these plans from their School Administrators

Digital Citizenship Committee
- have not met since last meeting
- Hollie would still like each school council to go through their website and SD51 website to look at glitches etc.
- Next Meeting is Monday April 11th

SAPDC - have not met since last time

Making Connections - have not met since last time

Community Engagement Committee:
- Guest George Hall from Community Foundations came in and spent a good hour explaining all there is to know about foundations, their benefits and challenges and how his group Community Foundations works. Next step is to have Christine meet with George and see what impact joining Community Foundations would have in regard to the districts finance department.
- Results from the ASBA 2012 Community Engagement Survey taken by the board were looked at and discussed. Decided the survey should be updated and brought back to the committee to see if there are any gaps or areas where time could be more effective engaging differently.
- Communication Plan Update: Monthly Board report to school councils; Strong promotion of school events/celebrations; Strong promotion of social media; Social Media Audit underway; More school Facebook accounts; Monthly staff communication - District Dispatch; On-line Feedback Loops (Westside, Town Hall, SOGI Policy); Working on new websites for Immanuel Christian Schools. Ideas to start: Communication Procedure Policy in draft, Monthly District School Council support for School Council members, a "How To Get Involved" button on website (school level, District level, Provincial level).
- Next Meeting is Monday April 25th at 6:00 pm

8. District School Council Calendar of Event and Shared Opportunities
   - Wilson is having silent auction spaghetti dinner on April 20th; funds raised are going to resources for the school to go along with modernization
   - Park Meadows doing talent show April 28th to raise money for instruments; 6:00pm
   - Lakeview is doing Super Hero Fun Run May 11th; at Lakeview; first 300 people get a cape!
   IMPORTANT: CAPE INJURY PREVENTION: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4R2aW3pwL0

9. Superintendent’s Report – Cheryl Gilmore
   - working on budget, staffing and strategic plan
   - Staffing – Admin staffing and first round teacher staffing completed before Easter
   - First layer of strategic planning done
   - interviews for Wendy Fox’s position starts next weekend

10. Roundtable Reports

11. Adjournment 8:00pm - Next meeting May 2nd