

Division School Council Meeting Minutes of October 7, 2019

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Additions to the agenda - none
3. Approval of the agenda
Locke Spencer moved / Holly Debnam second - approved
4. Approval of the Minutes of June 3, 2019
 - 7.1 Report Allison Pike not rep for ASCA
5. Business Arising from the Minutes - none
6. Elections for Division School Council – Chair, Vice Chair, Recording Secretary, Committee representatives
 - Chair: Brooke Culley
 - Vice Chair: Allison Pike
 - Recording Secretary: Alison Alma-North
 - Committee Reps:
 - Division Policy Advisory** – Shannon Pratt/Alternate Allison Pike
 - Poverty Intervention** – Alison Alma-North / Alternate Ellis Veenendaal
 - Division Wellness** – Hollie Tarasewich / Alternate Edna Asem
 - SAPDC** – None required
 - Community Engagement** – Holly Debnam, Heather Paul, Allison Pike
7. Trustee Report – Tyler Demers
 - South east school still scheduled to open Fall 2021
 - Advocating for west elementary school and later high school
 - 2.5 million invested in mechanical upgrades for Westminster and Buchanan
 - All schools had wish trees planted in response to One District One Book initiative
 - All elementary schools have new Bright Lights installed (smart board)
 - Galbraith top modernization priority submitted to province - 16 million dollar estimate
 - 206 teachers subbing, 47 support assistant subbing - need for more EA substitutes
 - Edna - Are international students a revenue for the school. Tyler - international students' pretty revenue neutral for the Division
 - Current Educational Assistant supports estimate 400
 - Brooke Culley – IMR - looking into student funding - space instead of students. Retaining property Tax for Lethbridge schools
 - 440 students registered as refugee status
 - Oct 22 6:30 - 8 at Winston Churchill - Diversity and Inclusion Parent Cafe. Morag Asquith leading.
8. Alberta School Councils Association
1-4:00 Community Hall November 23, 2019. Go to website ASCA for link. Ministry of Education will be on call at Community Hall between 3:00-4:00.
Invite MLA to school events as well as school trustees to build school relationships

9. Superintendent's Report – Rik Jesse

- Reviewed Past Parent Learning Presentations.
- Ideas for future Parent Learning Presentations.
- June meeting necessary - Brooke - time to discuss summer courses, Tisha and Alison - nice for social with other members.
- Discussed Division School Council Guidelines.
- Brooke we should have ATA rep and other union reps invited to council meetings to meetings.
- Tyler \$250 reasonable amount for ASCA meeting? Allison asked - ASCA registration conference fee not used by schools could be redirected to help pay for additional conference costs of people who have registered to attend the ASCA conference.
- School Website with info request for District Council meetings.
- Coalbanks has field on website for volunteer sign up for activities. Garrett can add one in your school website.
- School Closure - Series of steps involved. Decision not taken lightly. Work closely with City Transportation.
- 2020-2021 School calendar parent rep at district building - Thursday Oct 10 - Shannon Pratt / Holly Debnam.
- Lethbridge School Division is the new legal name as an outcome of a Ministerial Order. It was expressed that “public” is an important part of the name; disappointing it had to be taken out from jurisdictions that used public as part of their title/labelling.
- Agenda item for next meeting “public” added to division council name.
- Joy - Exist by policy of the board name change should be through policy advisory.
- Staffed teachers in 2019/2020 for growth while waiting for budget.
- K-3 New curriculum should be implemented. Other grade curriculum pending.

10. Roundtable Reports - none

11. Adjournment @ 8:03