

Falun Elementary School Council Minutes

Monday, April 17th, 2023

Held at Falun Elementary School

In Attendance:

Frank Heinrichs – Principle
Sarah Sear – Secretary
Danielle Scott
Amber Anctil

Megan Tabler
Tara Schnell
Kyla Coady
Julie Gainford

1. **Meeting called to order** at 7:05pm by Amber Anctil
2. **Meeting Agenda Adopted:** Motion to approve the agenda by Julie Gainford and seconded by Megan Tabler. Motion carried.
3. **March Minutes Adoption** – Motion to approve minutes at the next meeting. Motion carried.
4. **Trustee Report – Kyle Dorchester**
 - a. During our last board meeting we approved a 3 year capital plan for our school Division. The priorities are:
 - i. Norwood Replacement School
 - ii. Buck Mountain Replacement School
 - iii. Modernization of CTS Spaces (PL & WCHS)
 - iv. Clear Vista Sprinkler System Replacement
 - v. Winfield Replacement School
 - b. The school Division has decided to move from our traditional land line phone system to a VOIP system. We are having difficulties sourcing parts and the new system will pay for itself within two years.
 - c. Cosc BBQ is coming up on April 12th. I believe we will be deciding on dates on enrollment discussions for the school division. These discussions will be for the community to go over what our potential options are for our schools and the repercussions of each option.
 - d. We had a Trustee Resign recently from the City of Wetaskiwin and the board has decided to not call a by-election in order to save the school division a bit of money.
 - e. We met with Rick Wilson and Jason Nixon MLA's and discussed issues with our school division asking for help advocating for Wrps in the appropriate government ministries.

5. Principals Report – Frank Heinrichs

- a. Thanks to the volunteer Helpers – Skating, Chaperones, Readers and skiing
- b. An Eventful March/April
 - i. Mar 9-10: Grade 6 Drumheller Trip
 - ii. Mar 15: Sundre Band
 - iii. April 4: Mary Lambert Presentation
 - iv. April 3-6: Easter Egg Painting
 - v. April 13-14: 5/6 Escape room project
 - vi. April 18: Alberta Musical Theater – Jack and the Beanstalk
 - vii. April-May Grade 6 Transition meetings with PLRS
- c. Term 3 Parent Teacher format
 - i. Did you like the option for in person and remote?
 - 1. Tara mentioned the remote was a little too quiet at times but overall parents enjoyed having the two options.
- d. New Learning Loss Grant
 - i. The school received a \$4000.00 grant to help with students or school related items that might have been affected by Covid. They are still deciding what to use the funds on, some ideas for using it for musical instruments.
- e. 2023/2024 Staffing and School Organization
 - i. Kindergarten, Grade 1, Grade 2/3, Grade 4, Grade 5/6, Grade 5/6
 - ii. One more teacher than this year
 - iii. One more EA
- f. Building Update
 - i. As Kyle's report mentioned they are starting to update the phone system to VOIP.
 - ii. Roof work is complete
- g. Kindergarten
 - i. Open House on April 20th from 4:30-6:00pm.

6. Ongoing Business – NONE

7. New Business

- a. Next Meeting Presentation by Super Intendent (May 2nd)
- b. Next Parent Council Meeting: June 5th at a new time of 6:30pm

8. Meeting Adjourned at 7:30pm – Amber Anctil