

## Minutes for the Meeting of Ecole Broxton Park School Council

December 15, 2021

Call to Order: 6:30 pm

1. Land acknowledgment and Introductions

In Attendance: Nadia Geschke, Ashley Harms, Amber Ruben, Cheri Day, Patti Bonhomme, Anil Padayas, Marc Dickner, Carrie Trueman, Catherine Debeaudrap, Shawna Banak, Trudy Eyre, Jill Osborne

2. Approval of the Agenda – moved by Trudy, second Ashley  
Approval of the Minutes -- Ashley, second Catherine

3. Board News: presented by Jill Osborne: See attached.

4. Principal's Report: See attached.

5. Action/Discussion Items:

a) Amber attended the ASCA meeting in November. See attached document for more details.

Highlights include:

- i) Parent group selected by government to advise on the curriculum. ASCA was not involved in the selection
- ii) Dr. Amy Von Heyking gave a presentation on what makes a high-quality curriculum.
- iii) ASCE (Alberta School Engagement) grant submitted by division on behalf of School Council. Each council has \$500 to be used for parent engagement events. Many restrictions on how the funds may be utilized
- iv) Assurance Framework--is the education system meeting the needs of students.
- v) Any advocacy resolutions are due January 15. Please forward.

b) Amber attended the COSC meeting—see attached

c) Communication

- i) parents have expressed concerns abouts communication from the school eg. Purdy's pickup. Trudy called people for pickup; many were people who don't have kids at Broxton therefore did not know about pickup. Carrie said typically would be able to obtain emails from the Purdy's website but due to technical issues on Purdy's end some people did not receive emails.
- ii) Hopefully new parents will become involved in School Council, FIMESPAF, and volunteering opportunities.
- iii) Ashley - people have commented that emails are not being responded to. Is there an issue? Email address change may be the problem. Check to make sure you are using the updated email.

- iv) Anil - parents should check the school website for information, will be utilized more. Critical information and anything regarding the safety of students is communicated via School Messenger. Teachers should be communicating general information.
  - v) Ideas were discussed about how to improve communication. Catherine volunteered to collect information about council, FIMESPAF, and CPF to distribute via teacher's weekly email. This way it is not in a separate email, parents do not have to go to website, and information will be consistent.
- d) Parking and drop off discussion tabled for next month.
- e) Fusion sports - concern was expressed regarding PSAA competing with Broxton students for spots on our Fusion Athletics teams. PSAA is technically a CFL program. Concerns this leaves fewer opportunities for Broxton students to compete in sports. Can Broxton submit one team and CFL another? Changes might happen with boundary changes. Anil responded, Broxton has always been a multi program school, there are league rules that need to be followed. The idea of two teams will be explored. District boundary realignment for 22/23 will be discussed in the spring. Changes will affect all schools, and could it have an impact on PSAA?
- f) Trudy - devices in school. Pre-covid meeting recommended no devices during instructional time, recess, and lunch. Might be a positive experience for the school. Marc responded there is a no cell phone policy. Question: Is it being enforced because parents are hearing from students that kids have their devices all the time. Further discussion and information required. Tabled for a future meeting.

#### 6. Report

##### a. CPF

- New president, Marie Marsh from Meridian Heights.
- Kahoot game name was really fun.
- Executive remains the same
- Patti can be Broxton representative.
- French Family Weekend in Jasper, the first weekend of March.

##### b. FIMESPAF

- Casino made just over \$21000, put in a restricted account to properly track as there is a time limit to spend the money.
- Purdy's fundraiser - only raised half of a typical year, \$1400 profit for the reading program.
- Shawna wants to reallocate some of the funds that have been sitting in a restricted account. To be discussed at the next meeting.

#### 7. Next meeting: January 19 at 6:30 pm

Adjourned: 8:17 pm