

COSC Meeting December 7th

1. Brenda Crier is COSC chair
2. Operating Procedures for School Councils to be updated—should look over and update every few years; considering an ASCA workshop to work on OP
3. Alberta School Council Engagement (ASCE) grant
 - Scott Johnston (Associate Superintendent) discussed pooling the money and considering having one large event
 - Many things the grant can not be used for including food, entertainment, memberships, honorarium
 - Can be used for workshops to increase capacity, parent resources/workshops, events to engage parents
4. Question regarding fundraising
 - Fundraising groups their own society
 - There are limitations about what can be done for fundraising with PSD name (ie. Can't be degrading, students can't go door to door)
 - No association between school council and fundraising committee
 - May have multiple fundraising groups within a school
5. Administration Procedure review:
 - Can find online on PSD website, look under administrative procedures, school councils
6. Board Report
 - Revenues \$134 million, expenditures \$110 million
 - Transportation funding has been given approval to operate outside of funding window due to many problems with insurance
 - Annual education reports have been approved
7. Division report--Scott Johnston report
 - Approved annual education reports
 - Schools submitted development plan reports
 - Schools will be providing annual education results report to councils
 - Surveys in February: Gr 4, 7, 10 parents—results low: ?validity; some areas come back as very curious; students perceive low respect from other students—check with thought exchange ie. Citizenship, but students said in engagements things going well, find answers in next survey; parking an issue in every survey
 - Work with unfinished learning—COVID, work to be done in literacy and numeracy; literacy grant project; so much variability in how far children are behind; have been individualizing instruction for kids for years, so able to adapt right now; division principles for literacy and numeracy collaborating with schools`
 - School calendar
 - Work continuing on area attendance review: explore different scenarios; some children will be moving; board will make decisions about divisions
 - Question about insurance—for fundraising—costs more than fundraising group makes; Scott—shop around for insurance; insurance a problem with transportation as well as

costs have gone up about 300%; CFO Scott McFadden knows about the insurance portion or contact Roxanne about insurance

- 4 divisional principals