

Georges P. Vanier/ École Routhier School Joint Council Meeting

Zoom Meeting

Tuesday, January 5, 2021

Attendance: Carolyn Giroux, Leslie Carbone, Monique Dubrule, Pam Heckbert, Stephanie Staudinger, Alyssa Pollard, Diane Benoit, Brenna Garant, Angela Carley, Lynn Skrepnek, Karin School, and Tara Lea.

1. Welcome / Call to Order

Alyssa Pollard, call meeting to order at 701.

2. Review/Approval of Agenda

Alyssa called for approval of agenda.

No items were added to the agenda, Leslie moved to approve agenda as presented.

3. Review/Approval of December 1, 2020 Minutes

Alyssa called for approval of minutes.

Tara moved to approve minutes as presented.

4. Financial Reports: no change from both principals.

a. Routhier -\$1056.28

b. Vanier – \$1332.40

5. Old Business:

None.

6. School Reports:

a. Routhier Principal Report:

-Christmas Concert Videos have gone out, more still to come.

-Students are doing online learning until the 8th. High engagement, it is going well.

-One book, Two schools - Starts mid-January in conjunction with EG Wahlstrom school

-Dress up day - Sports day (Jan 28)

-2E & 6E will showcase their talents

-Teachers taking part in Divisional PLCs this month

-Parent survey- hot lunch/kitchen survey regarding hot lunch.

-Wellness update: Mr. Valiquette has been working with groups of students to keep them active. We are encouraging students to move around throughout the day.

b. GPV Principal Report:

-Poinsettia Fundraiser was delivered and was a huge success

-Bottles for Coins Raised just under \$700.00.

- We managed to collect some Food donations that were picked up by FCSS
- Diploma Exams are now optional and will begin on Monday Jan 11
- Our Report to the Board was successfully delivered on Dec 9 via Zoom
- Schoolytics is data tracking for us: (Nov 30-Dec 18)
- Average Online Attendance- approx 81%
- Engagement-approx 75% have completed assignments
- We've successfully completed 3 weeks and partly through our 4th week of online classes
- SH Collaboration Teams are meeting this week and JH next week
- AHL Survey will be delivered soon to HPSD families-Deadline is Jan 15

Wellness:

- PLS-HHP -chelsea and Sarah programming
Wellness Coach and Psychology Student providing mental health breaks to PLS/HHP as well as mental health and coping strategies programming to help students build a toolbox of regulation and coping skills to use in times of stress/conflict etc. -this will continue with online teaching
- Sarah Poirier-Psychology practicum student has continued to meet with individual students to continue with assessments

Report from Career Coach:

- approximately half of the grade 10's to date (the remaining, upon our return) in regards to career exploration, course selection and post-secondary searches
- Katrina Jolie will be meeting with the grade 9's in Jan about senior high, credits, course selection and post-secondary searches.
- There are 2 virtual career post-secondary presentations scheduled for Jan; one for forestry and one for MacEwan University

Upcoming events:

- Senior High Semester Finals
- Grade 12 Diplomas
- Junior High Midterms

Postponed/Cancelled Events

- Door Decorating-Cancelled
- Christmas Dinner-Postponed/Cancelled
- Junior High Activity Day-cancelled
- Mentorship Advent Calendar-Postponed
- Staff PD-Dare to Care (Conflict Resolution/anti-bullying strategy)-postponed
- Staff PD-Trauma and Learning-Jessie Johnson-Postponed

Karin –Asked question: ow many students are registered to write diploma exams?
Answer: 6 have registered. They have done so because it is required by their post secondary school, or because they want to challenge it and bring up their marks.

7. Trustee Report:

Lynn Skrepnek –confirmed that all students will continue with in person learning until Jan 11th. All board meetings are being conducted by zoom. Carolyn asked: regards to return on Jan 11th –yes confirmed by Alberta Education Minister.

8. New Business

a. National Literacy Day (Smoky River Adult Learning)

Leslie: Smoky River Adult Learnings, family literacy program, parent of two kids at Routhier, Corrdinator for adult learning.

Adults struggle with literacy. Need literacy skills to get and use information effectively. Reading does not happen naturally, children must be taught to read. Children who are taught to read before grade 3 are more likely to become successful. 25% of Canadian homes do not have a book in it. SRAL want to get a book into every home and to provide supports on how to read to children and how to increase literacy skills if they want. Asking schools to distribute books in February. Covered through Alberta education grant. Eaglesham, McLennan, and Heritage included.

Any questions please contact Smoky River Adult Learning at (780) 837-3013.

b. Online Home Learning – any Questions (Discussion if needed):

Leslie says its going well with her kids. Teachers are doing a great job! Alyssa agrees.

Carolyn –junior high child doing well, elementary kids were prepared well, and that's what is making the difference now with their success. EAs are helping kids who need supports with reading.

9. Next Meeting – February 9, 2021

10. Adjournment at 7:21pm by Alyssa Pollard.