

Georges P. Vanier/Routhier School Joint Council

Minutes October 09, 2018

GPV Room 135

Attendance: Tara Gagnon, Jackie Cuthbertson, Peter Sutton, Wendy Tokarz, Dana Tokarz Carmen Labrecque, Alex Brochu, Kelsy Fournier, Melissa Portelance, Karin Scholl, Melodie Schaefer, Carolyn Giroux, Pauline Therriault, Monique Dubrule, Karen Benoit, Casey Rochon, Taryn Aucoin

- 1) Welcome: Meeting called to order at 7:11pm by Karen.
- 2) Review of Agenda and Approval. Wendy Tokarz approves agenda as amended.
- 3) Approval of September 11 and June 12 meeting.
June minutes approved by Pauline Therriault as presented. September minutes approved as amended by Casey Rochon.
- 4) Financial Reports
 - a. Routhier: no report.
 - b. Vanier: Alex provides balance as unchanged at \$ 881.40
- 5) Old Business
 - a. COSC Oct 18, 2018.
Please let Karen know if anyone is interested in attending the meeting. An attendance number is requested for preparation of the event. It is being hosted at EW Pratt this year. There will be busing available, this is an open event to all parents. Karen will attempt to source the agenda or items that will be discussed during the meeting. Parents looking for information will find it, posted on Facebook and other various school event pages.
 - b. Healthy schools nutrition admin procedure.
What is the number 1 concern of invested parties; fundraising or the food.
Food: Parents and staff responded with the concern that the program is sending confusing and mixed messaging to the students. What is healthy, what is not and not how to find moderation in food choices. And questioning, how food is determined to be healthy versus unhealthy? Suggestion that little to no consultation was done with parents before the full program was implemented. The full extent of the effects on parents, students and staff was not considered. Felt that this was more of a "this is what we are doing" roll out of the program.
Fundraising: Big dent in fundraising options. Very limiting and affects our local businesses as well. We are a small community and now we are limited in or no longer able to use the local restaurants and businesses.
Karin explains that this program came from Central Admin and started 6 years ago, with a slower roll 50/50, 80/20 and then where we are today. Would seem that the parents were not aware of the gradual changes that were taking place in the schools and felt that it was a complete surprise. Karin confirmed that the program will not go as far as to monitor lunches brought to school from home by the students for their personal consumption.

Parents and staff voiced the concerns that there needs to be more discussion and all parties need to find a more reasonable solution.

- c. Quotes in Bathroom, Melissa was given a firm no. Cleaning, fire code were offered as 2 of the reasons. Maybe the mirrors would be an option? Melissa will ask.
GPV has not looked into this yet.
- d. Student Events Poll. Surveys were positive with support for an Art and Science event, Literacy Night, Dance, Talent show.

Volunteer forms were sent out but only 16 returned. Maybe try Facebook and see if there would be a better response and set a deadline of Friday the 19, of October.

Meal plans started this month. Meal for this month-Hamburger, whole wheat bun, spinach and milk.

6) School Reports

a. Routhier Report- Melissa Portelance

Divisional PD day October 5

Benchmark Assessments (Reading assessment) will be starting this week in all classes

Picture day October 10 (tomorrow!)

STEAM project October 12—Save the Eggs!

COSC October 18 @ EW Pratt 5:30pm

3 of our teachers are leaving for ACPI (French PD) in Winnipeg (

Taste Test Challenge October 23

'DJ Delf' a French rapper will entertain our students October 24 (4-6FSL and k-6 French)

Hot lunch October 25

PD Day October 26

Halloween dress-up day and assembly October 31

b. GPV Principal Report- Monique Dubrule

- Oct 2 - U of A presentation at noon for high school kids
- Oct 2 - Aboriginal Club lunch and organizational meeting for years' activities
- Oct 3 - New Teacher Orientation for teachers new to the division
- Oct 9 - School Photos
- Golf Ball Drop Fundraiser due drop is happening on Friday
- Oct 10 - Cross Country Running Zones - Fort Vermillion
- Oct 12/13 - Jr Volleyball in High Prairie, Sr Volleyball in Whitecourt
- Oct 13 - NAIT Open House trip
- Oct 15 - JH B volleyball in Eaglesham
- Oct 17 - JH B hosting Prairie River
- Oct 18 - Science in Motion
- Oct 19/20 - Jr. Volleyball in Peace River, Sr Volleyball in Valleyview
- Oct 19/20 SR Volleyball in Valleyview
- Oct 19/20 - Basketball Refing Clinic at High Prairie
- Oct 20 - Cross Country Provincials - Vermillion
- Oct 24 - Aboriginal Community Supper 5:30
- Oct 25 - Report Cards (Jr and Sr High)
- Oct 25 - JH b volleyball in High Prairie

- Oct 26/27 - Jr Volleyball in Bezanson
- Oct 27 - SH volleyball in Fairview
- Oct 28 - Bottles for Basketball Fundraiser
- Oct 29 - JH B volleyball hosting Eaglesham
- Oct 31 - Halloween activity and scary movie

Other Things Happening

- Vanier's High School Musical - Auditions
- Vanier School Newspaper - stories and photos are happening around the school
- Give Back Club - first organizational meeting
- GSA up and running
- Henri - Chelsea Hand-off
- Vegetables and Fruits at break in rotunda and front entry - very successful
- MIPI and OCA benchmark assessments complete

c. Trustee Report- Karin Scholl

Board and Superintendent evaluations October 18

COSC- October 18- High Prairie @ EW Pratt. All invested parties welcome. Discussions will include AP 241 Healthy Schools.

Lynn is at a meeting tonight with village in regards to proposed bylaw on Smoking & Vaping of Tobacco and Cannabis in public places.

Preparing to meet with Ministries of Education, Advanced Education, Transportation, Infrastructure and Health. So far ministers from Health (Hoffman) and Child services (Larvee') have confirmed meetings.

7) New Business

- a. Accountability Pillars-Melissa and Monique report that information is currently locked in submission. Will bring more information to the next meeting.

8) Next Meeting: November 13, 2018 Routhier

9) Adjournment 7:52pm