

Legal School Council

January 18, 2023

Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Lisa Kleparhcuk, Sheri Crowston, Nat Smith, Lisa Mudryk, Rhea Jussen, Laura Tymchuk, Ashley Csizmadia, Ashley Zilinski, Stephanie Kotchubajda, Cathy Proulx

1. Meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm.
2. Prayer and Land Acknowledgement: Sheri
3. Addition to the agenda: Rhea. Nothing to add
4. Approval of Minutes from last meeting: Lisa M, seconded by Nat
5. Reports:
 1. Chairperson Report- Rhea Jussen
 1. \$500 grant use update: agreed on February 8, 2023 for The Parent Cafe. Will be using some funds for the supplies. Food to entice people to come and discuss childcare options, possibly the grade 6 students watching children. Will Only be using a portion of the grant, approximately \$200-300 left over to use throughout the year.
 2. Upcoming- Bus Transportation, issues: length of bus rides.
 3. Council of Council Meeting next Monday. See how others do their school council meetings.
 4. Have a discussion regarding what are the solutions the Alberta government can do to improve schools. Will send out a survey, paper copy with kids.

2. Trustee Report- Cathy Proulx

1. The town of Legal received \$7 million to retrofit the arena. Need to expand the size, had to approach the school board to ask for land. Came up with an agreement to transfer land. Construction will start next year. Town will reconstruct the outdoor rink, it will be demolished and rebuilt. A 200 meter running track will be built and the curling rink will receive updates.
2. At the January meeting, discussed the way the government gives money for new schools. If we want a new school in the growth areas, we have to prove that we have proper utilization. Consolidate some of those schools to qualify for their guidelines. 3 engagement evenings, proposed scenario will start this September: Make 1 french immersion campus. In St. Albert following schools offer French Immersion: Ecole Father Jan, Ecole Marie Poburan, Ecole Secondaire Ste. Marguerite d'Youville. Decision made to close down Ecole Father Jan. Right size Holy Family Catholic school, as it is not fully utilized. Try to re designate some space for not for profit. Albert Lacombe, right size through a modernization.
3. A new program (doesn't pertain to Legal school), Cocotoks program, will be held at Albert Lacombe. More routine structure, teacher led instruction instead of group discussion, possible uniforms, more homework is expected.

3. Administration Report

1. Open House- Two Dates
 1. Division PreK/ Kinder Expo- division is January 19, 2023. Registration begins on February 1, 2023.
 2. Legal School- March 16, 2023 from 6-8pm

2. Parent Teacher Interviews- February 28 & March 2, 2023
3. Division Assurance Survey and Parent Needs Assessment for Counselling
4. Advent Service Projects- came out to parents last week, at the bottom of the Titan Times. Send out emails with the link again. 15 parents have completed the survey. 43 last year, 1/3 there. Staff did this at the last staff meeting. Grade 4s will do it in the next 2 days, before January 30. Closes Feb 3. Alberta Assurance survey has already been sent. After family day it will be sent out. What do we need for our students for counselling, this was in the Titan Times. Survey went out, in your email. Teachers will send it out in their weekly updates.
 1. We raised \$470 for the St. Jean Baptiste Rebuild. Over \$11,000 raised in the division.
 2. We raised \$89 for the Catholic Social Services. The kids had to find a saint hiding in the school and guess the number of candies in the jar. This money raised went towards a women's shelter. Gerald and Sister Marie Clarie from Catholic Social Services are coming out to the school.
5. Mr. Parks- New position/posting for new teacher. He has resigned from the school board. His last day will be February 15, 2023. The school will be advertising for this position.
6. Upcoming School events
 1. Bell Let's talk day- January 25, 2023
 2. Family Literacy Day- January 27, 2023
 3. Teachers convention- February 9 & 10, 2023

4. Ski Trip (grade 4-9)- February 15, 2023
5. Parents Teacher Interviews- February 28 & March 2nd, 2023
8. Teacher Representative- Ashley Czimadia
 1. Yesterday was our 1st day skating. Got good parent feedback. Oil Kings game- singing O'Canada on the ice. Laura has been practicing with the kids in the music room. Almost finished the T series Assessment- looks at reading comprehension, fluency, word recognition. Good growth from the beginning of the year.
9. Friends of Legal School Society- Lisa M
 1. We have our meeting right after this. 129 people came to the Christmas event. Our bank account is at \$60,000. 2021 only at \$21,000. Done very well in 2 years. Going to be talking about the family dance. Hot lunches/ soup day on Friday. Next fundraiser is pierogi/sausage before Easter.
6. Meeting adjourned @ 7:32 pm
7. Closing Prayer