

**Schuler School Council Meeting**  
**November 2, 2020**  
**6:00pm**

**Attendance:** Kara Ellik, Maria Klassen, Jacquie Norenberg, Jennifer Driediger, Danielle McNeill, Jennifer Zahn, Kerry Watson, Dawn Straub, Cathy Hogg, Brenda Kell and Suzanne Lynch (from ASCA via Zoom)

**Call to Order: 7:07pm**

**1. Approval of Agenda:**

Adopted: Dawn motioned to amend the changes regarding finances/fundraising from the agenda

**2. New Business:**

A. COVID-19 Update

- runny nose and sore throat have been removed from the core symptoms of COVID-19
- updated information was sent home and can be found on the PRSD website

B. ASCA Workshop

- workshop to update Operating Procedures took place October 5, 2020

C. Santa/ Christmas Event

- discussion regarding options for Christmas Events / Activities
  - a videotaped concert put on by students and staff for family to watch
  - virtual visit from Santa or outside weather dependent
  - Goodie bags provided by council
  - Christmas activity kits
  - Gingerbread House Contest
  - Surprise winter wonderland in learning commons area
    - this would require a sub-committee
  - Family Christmas hamper
    - hot chocolate, books, games, non-perishable meal
    - 37 families
  - Kerry to discuss with staff and a **Zoom meeting to be held Nov 16 to determine events and activities - time to be determined**

D. Appreciation Event for Staff (email motion)

- email motion made to purchase a small gift for staff for World Teachers Day (October 5th)
- October 9th staff received a small fruit salad and Tim Hortons gift card

E. Operating Procedures Draft #1

- Reading and Discussion
- Kara received no feedback regarding the document
  - **Danielle motioned** to approve the amendment to the Operating Procedures #3 Mission Statement to read: "The motto of Schuler School is preparing today for the achievements of tomorrow. Schuler School Council will undertake discussions and activities that will enhance student learning and foster the well-being and effectiveness of our school community."
  - **Accepted unanimously**
  - **Dawn motioned** to accept the amended Operating Procedures
  - **Accepted Unanimously**
  - **Motioned carried**

- F. New Legal Names for Council
  - Schuler School Council
- G. COSC Meeting - adding Public to the division name
  - Kara attended the Committee of School Council meeting virtually
  - Prairie Rose School Division will add "Public" to their name for branding purposes
  - Legal name will not change
- H. Communication - Emails
  - council members agreed one email address for contact would be helpful
  - Kara to organize
- I. Council Notifications (ie email, school messenger, Whats App, school website, FB)
  - Council will utilize school website and school messenger for additional communication
- J. Volunteers
  - look into discussing years activities/events at AGM and arrange for volunteer sign up sheets
  - Brenda encouraged us to utilize the ASCA Engagement Opportunities document
- K. Appreciation Events
  - organize a sub-committee for all appreciation events
  - Bus Drivers appreciation - May 1

## **6. Principals Report - Kerry Watson**

- Newsletter out today
- COVID 19
  - staff and students continue to follow protocols
  - Thank you to all the staff for their continued hard work
- Remembrance Day -
  - staff and students will attend a ceremony virtually
  - students working on fallen soldiers remembrance projects
- Basic Coding - Jr High Students
  - Nov 10 Gr 7,8,9 will attend a virtual course
  - video conference consent form needs to be completed and returned for students to participate
- No School - Nov 12th and 13th
- Report Cards - Nov 20th
- Parent Teacher Interviews
  - virtual meetings to be held Nov 25th and 26th between 4pm - 7pm
  - parents need to sign up
- Suicide Awareness and Prevention
  - Carla Stern - School Psychologist presented information to Gr 7,8,9
  - each student met one on one with Carla and completed a screening
- Education Plan
  - to be presented at next meeting
- Substitute Teachers / Support Staff
  - PRSD is accepting applications for Non-Certificated Classroom Supervisors
  - if a teacher is out sick
    - option 1: is a substitute teacher
    - option 2: support staff supervise classroom
    - option 3: is parents/community members who have applied and been approved to be non-certificated supervisors

## **7. Trustees Report - Cathy Hogg**

- Ab School Council Association AGM
  - there was no councils present from PRSD at AGM
  - PRSD will pay for 1 individual from each council to attend ASCA AGM
  - next AGM is Apr 25/202
- Electoral Boundary Review
  - attended online presentation
  - next discussion/presentation to be determined at next Board Meeting
- Transportation
  - 83 routes travelling 16,176 kilometres daily
  - the longest ride time is 113 minutes long one-way, while the average ride time is approximately 30-38 minutes in one direction
  - difficulty recruiting drivers
- Trustee
  - Arnold Frank has resigned
- Public to Divisions Name
  - as mentioned in section "G" Prairie Rose School Division will be adding "Public" to their name for branding purposes
- Calendar Changes
  - no school Nov 12th and 13th to allow staff and students additional time off to focus on wellness

## **8. Next General Meeting - November 30, 2020 at 6:00pm**

## **9. Adjournment: 8:37pm**