

Schuler School Council
General Meeting
November 30, 2020 @ 7:00pm (via Google Meet)

Attendance: Kerry Watson, Kara Ellik, Jennifer Beck, Jennifer Driediger, Jacquie Noerenberg, Danielle McNeill, Cathy Hogg, Dawn Straub, Carla Stern, Jennifer Zahn, Chelsi Bader

Call to Order: 7:02pm

- 1. Adoption of Agenda:** Jennifer Beck
- 2. Approval of Minutes:** Jennifer Driediger
- 3. New Business**

A. Carla Stern - Family School Liaison

- offers individual support/counselling or group programming
- there have been community conversations to help address the recent increase in suicides and mental health concerns since COVID-19
- Carla is open to speaking with parents/guardians about these challenging topics and how to approach them with your children
- Carla provided a few tips:
 - kids are exposed to lots not just at school but through social media and may come to ask questions. Some kids may not want to discuss what they've seen or heard
 - it is important to approach your kids and ensure they know you are willing to talk
 - acknowledge but give space if needed
 - leave the door open for future conversations
 - if safety concerns arise reach out for additional support
 - Carla can be reached by phone 403 548-1686 or email carlastern@prrd8.ca

B. Schuler School Education Plan (Kerry Watson)

School Demographics

- Private ECS - 7
- Gr 1-9 - 55
- Staff - 9
- Bus Drivers - 4

Stakeholders Management

- Teachers
- Support Staff
- School Council

Accountability Pillars

- most categories (ie Safe & Caring School, Student Learning Opportunities, Learning Achievement, Parent Involvement) either Maintained or N/A due to pandemic

School Budget

- Substitute budget has seen an increase due to COVID-19 protocols and staff requiring to take additional time off due to guidelines
- PRRD has allocated additional funds

Division Goals

- Literacy & Deeper Learning (mastery of academic content and growth in critical thinking)

School Goals

- Literacy
 - shared interactive writing, reading aloud, shared reading and word work

Strategies (not a complete list)

- PD focused on literacy
- Provide students the opportunity to improve their fluency skills
- Use of learning targets
- Tuning protocols (Praise, Questions, Suggestion)
- PWIM (Picture Word Inductive Model)
- Daily 5 Weekly 3

Measurement Targets

- MAP Growth Assessments
 - 75% of students reading at grade level by Spring 2021

Resources Required

- Instructional Learning Coaches
- Professional Development
- Literacy Resources

SI Day Learning

- some examples include:
 - Re-entry plan for students return to school
 - Creative learning targets and student exemplars
 - Defining high quality work

4. Principle's Report (Kerry Watson)

- Thank you to all school staff and students for working to keep everyone safe
- Remembrance Day celebrations took place after original date cancelled due to snow day
 - some of the celebrations were posted to social media
- Coding Workshop moved to 2021
- Report Cards sent home Nov 20th
- Parent Teacher Interviews took place via Google Meet or by phone
- Jr High students began at home learning till January 11, 2021
 - Staff meeting daily with students virtually
- No skating or curling; to be re-evaluated in 2021
- Christmas Activities
 - Ms. Resch would like to go ahead with Painter Girl activity for Gr 5/6
 - to be discussed further at Schuler Parent Council Society Meeting
 - 12 Days of Christmas to begin Dec 3 - see newsletter for details

5. Trustee's Report (Cathy Hogg)

- MNP chosen as auditors and 2019 Financial Report approved (details on PRRD website)
- 3 year Education Plan
 - Literacy and Deeper Learning

- Assurance Model (relates to data collection and reporting) after current school year
 - hopeful to remove “n/a” as it reflect as a negative
- 2020/2021 Budget (details on PRRD website)
 - revised by Ryan Boser
 - division will remain fully funded regardless of decrease in student enrolment
- Electoral Boundary Review
 - several notices extended to community to participate
 - four options discussed
 - 7 person Board of Trustees (amalgamate Redcliff and Dunmore and incorporate Seven Persons and Cypress County West Ralston) - Voted in favour 5/2

6. Business Arising from the Minutes:

A. COVID-19 Update

- New Close Contact information sent out by Angela Baron
- Re-Learning at Home information sent out by Rodger Clark and Kerry

B. Updated School Council Operating Procedures

- Finalized and signed off
- can be found on Schuler School website

C. New Email address for school council

- schulerschoolcouncil@gmail.com

D. Christmas subcommittee meeting - Nov 16/20 - held virtually. Amended to be a fundraising association discussion

E. Finalize business arising from previous parent council board so Schuler School Council can transition to current operating procedures (Dawn & Kara)

- Motions passed at previous meetings for Memoriam (Ben Sayler) and Farewell Banner
- Email motions passed previously for staff appreciation gifts, ASCA Bylaws Workshop, Legal name change (search, change fees), Bylaw change fees, and Christmas Activity ideas
- Drowning Ford Grazing Association donated \$5,000 for new library books
 - staff purchased \$5,051.13 in books

Motion: Danielle McNeill motioned for Schuler School Council to pay the additional \$51.13 for the cost of new library books.

- Letter sent to Drowning Ford Grazing Association to notify them that council will hold funds allocated for swimming until COVID restrictions are lifted
- Playground Contingency Fund - GIC is not an option due to limitations in Societies Act

Motion: Jennifer Beck motioned to transfer Playground Contingency Funds to Ryan Boser (PRRD Treasurer) until plans for funds can be determined.

7. Next regular meeting: January 18, 2021 at 6:00pm

8. Adjournment: 8:10pm