

Pioneer Middle School
School Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, December 7th, 2020

1. Call to order at 7:02
2. Additions to the agenda
3. Approval of previous minutes (November 2, 2020)
Lacy approved previous minutes
4. Reports

Trustee

The 2021/2022 school year calendar has been approved

Accountability Pillar results show that schools are transitioning to higher levels across the division

10,000 dollars has been donated to the school division for literacy materials from Repsol

This school year has been broken into quarters. Each quarter students are allowed to return to at-school learning from at-home learning if they choose.

Across the division there were 38 students who returned to at-school learning after the first quarter. There are 314 at-home learners in the division.

Principal

The outdoor exercise equipment is deteriorating quickly. It is getting to the point where the kids won't have much to do outside.

Wilson Ball courts will be built

There is the possibility of using some of the school generated funds account towards new playground equipment.

There are new COVID restrictions in place.

Students in grades 7 and 8 will complete at-home learning until one week after Christmas break. Grade 6 will continue at-school learning but will have one week of at-home learning after Christmas break.

Overall, there has been good participation from the students in grades 7 and 8 for at-home learning. The expectation is curriculum as usual. It is important that kids remain engaged. To foster engagement some teachers are trying online small groups as well as some open meets so that kids can chat with each other. Student wellness remains the top priority.

Teacher (Tracy Schweder)

The grade 6's continue to work as usual

In her class she is usually missing three to four students each day

Trying to do more hands-on manipulative based activities while in school

Christmas theme days are coming up next week

5. Old business

- a. Friends of Pioneer Society

A third application has been sent in

6. New business

The umbrella school council meeting took place on November 23rd. Many parents liked the staggered start this year. Parents report that kids are happy to be back at school.

Staggered recesses are being used in many schools across the division with positive results.

7. Next meeting- Monday, January 4th, 2020 at 7:00pm

8. Adjournment: 7:41