

Pioneer Middle School
School Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 1st, 2021

In attendance: Patrick Wilbur, Lucas Brown, Kim Rogers, Heidi Hetherington, Lacey Brown, Nicole Heath, Cristy Whalen, Laura Henning, Sam Leavitt

1. Call to order at 7:02
2. Additions to the agenda
-No new additions
3. Approval of previous minutes (February 1st, 2021)
Lacey approved previous minutes and Laura seconded
4. Reports

Trustee (Heidi Hetherington)

- During the last trustee meeting the trustees discussed the inclement weather policy. Some people in the community had mentioned concerns around why the schools were not shut down during inclement weather. The trustees felt that the schools should stay open to provide a safe place for students.
- A group of band parents did a presentation at the trustee meeting because of the retirement of Mrs. Hastings. Brad Volkman was waiting on the provincial budget before moving forward with hiring. Looking into making the position full time in order to attract more candidates.

Principal (Patrick Wilbur)

- COVID update. Has been relatively quiet in the last month.
- Decided to wait on starting basketball to see if there would be any more recreation restrictions lifted. Badminton might start soon depending on restrictions.
- The Bottle fill stations are completed. The painting and lighting in the gathering area are completed. The school will be replacing the lockers in the grade 6 wing and add a few more. Washroom update, looking at designs to open up washrooms while still providing privacy.
- Finance. The operational budget is running smoothly. There are two School council budgets that have been left dormant. Parent council line that has almost 2800.00. Parent social account has about 790.00. The playground account currently sits at 2650.00. We will table what to do with the 2800.00 for the next meeting. Would like to use the 790.00 towards staff. Use 10.00 now per staff member and something at the end of the year. Laura motioned to purchase 10.00 gift cards from Rocky Mountain Mudd for each staff member. Nichole seconded the motion. Lacey will get the cards.
- About to embark on a revisioning of the school. Time to look at the vision and mission statement of the school. What should Pioneer encompass in

terms of standards? Patrick presented some examples of vision and mission statements.

-Kim stated that the vision and mission needs to be posted and used regularly. At the same time that the statement is developed a system needs to be developed for sharing the statement to students, parents and the community

For the next meeting (or email beforehand) bring answers to the question-What do you believe Pioneer Middle School should be?

Teacher (Tracy Schweder)

- Nothing new to report

Chair (Kim Rogers)

- Alberta school council video
- Received an email from Dawn Beeman. Dawn has requested an annual report for the end of each September. Patrick will talk to Dawn about the format she would like.
- Umbrella school council meeting. Laura and Kim are signed up to attend virtually.
- ASCA has an AGM coming up

5. New business

No new business

6. Next meeting-Monday, April 12th 2021 at 7:00pm

7. Adjournment: 7:48