

Pioneer Middle School - School Council
Regular Meeting Agenda
January 10th 2022

1. Call to Order at 7:02

2. Additions to the Agenda
-No new additions

3. Approval of minutes

https://docs.google.com/document/d/19g3fRM_MZXfaYX1C0QQfs7q_y72kHrmVRvB6FB_4WXU/edit?usp=sharing

-Cristy approved minutes and Breanna seconded

4. Reports

○ Trustee (Heidi Hetherington and Jackie Janes)

Indigenous awards are coming out, looking for nominations. Diplomas have been cancelled, PAT's are still going ahead. The trustees met with Jason Nixon on December 21st. Discussed the draft curriculum, covid measures, bussing (increase in insurance costs). Obsidian donation of 10, 000 for the Hope and dignity project within WRSD which focuses on hygiene products.

○ Principal (Patrick Wilbur)

Interesting start up with the delay in returning to school. Rapid test kits and medical masks should be arriving this week. There is no mandate to use them, only a recommendation. The school will not be performing rapid tests at the school. Students are now encouraged to wear their masks when sitting at their desks as well. We will try to err on the side of caution and then relax restrictions as we can. There are parents on both ends of the spectrum who are very concerned about transmission and others who do not support wearing a mask. Finances are continuing to go well. Discipline issues: masking has become quite problematic, mainly wearing the mask properly. Most kids came into the school wearing a mask today. Vaping continues to be a concern and we continue to take a firm stance against it. Going through this wave, one of the biggest concerns is staff shortages. Individual classes or entire grades can be moved online if staff shortages become too great. Intra School sports are cancelled for the time being.

○ Teacher (Breanne Oakie)

Nothing new to report.

○ Chair

Nothing new to report.

5. Old Business

- <https://www.alberta.ca/release.cfm?xID=79718C360FF5C-9CC8-6A88-2EB588F37789D736>
 - \$500 grant payment from Alberta Education for "The Alberta School Council Engagement Grant".
 - <https://www.alberta.ca/school-councils.aspx>
 - Laura motioned to deposit the cheque into the Friends of Pioneer account and Lacey seconded it
 - Possible ways to use this money to engage parents: mental health, getting Shelley Anderson to present in video form as was done at the highschool. Laura will get a hold of Shelley before the next meeting.
6. New Business
 7. Next Meeting will be February 7th, 2022
 8. Adjournment at 7:50