



Windsong Heights School Council Meeting Minutes
October 9, 2019
6:15 pm - 7:50 pm

ITEM #	AGENDA ITEM	WHO
1.	Call to Order John Robertson called the meeting to order at 6:15 Nisha Rolleman/Robin Beaver not in attendance	John Robertson
2.	Approval of minutes from June 12 and September 11, 2019 John Robertson makes a motion to approve the minutes of the June 12 th and September 11 th 2019 Ashley Janzen seconded the motion Alexandra Owens made a note that once we have confirmed dates for things that we approve money, etc. for they should be changed prior to the minutes moving from Draft format to Final on the minutes site Minutes of June 11 th and September Meetings have been Approved	John Robertson
EXECUTIVE REPORTS		
3.	Teacher Presentation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student Vote <p>This event will give students a chance to practice voting so they will be prepared to the voting process as adults. Introduce the concept of making hard decisions, process of campaigning, disagreeing with friends What are different ways we can make decisions, in what ways does government serve a community, what does it mean to live in a democracy Kids present ID, name is checked off on a voting list, they receive a ballot Strive to make the experience as authentic as possible Kids were excited to see the real life vote in the last Provincial election Goal is to build a cohort of successful involved adults who use the democratic process to make educated choices Teacher ask: For the Student Vote on October 17th</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would like us to make 1000 cookies (potential of 5 types) or stickers to give to kids after they vote 	Meaghan Wright (Grade 6)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - have a couple of parent volunteers to help facilitate (9 am -11 am) + (11 am – 2 pm) <p>John Robertson makes a motion to support the Student Votes program (cookies and stickers) for up to a total of \$400 Alexandra Owens seconds Approved</p>	
4.	<p>School Trustee Report</p> <p>Windsong is at 920 students for enrollment as of October 9th final numbers expected by next meeting</p> <p>At their organization meeting they voted a new chair Fiona Gilbert (Cochrane) Melyssa will be the Vice-Chair (both are 1 year terms, voted in at the organizational meeting). They also decided on committees etc. one of which is a School Council committee, and the other is a ASBA (Alberta School Board Association) Committee</p> <p>Discussed the McKinnon report</p> <p>Passed purchase orders over 200K as a group – Prince of Peace lease was paid (waiting to see if Government will help with funding towards this)</p> <p>Budget is supposed to come down from the Province on October 24th, 2019</p> <p>Met with the Minister in September and shared thoughts, concerns, etc. Joint Board and School Council is coming up November 7th</p>	Melyssa Bowen
5.	<p>Chair Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bylaw Vote • Volunteer of the Month • Volunteer Engagement/scheduled monthly outreach <p>John Robertson put forward a motion to put the School Council Bylaws into practice effective immediately</p> <p>Bylaw template was taken from the Alberta School Board Association and is the rules of the road for which the School Council</p> <p>Ashley Janzen seconded</p> <p>Approved</p> <p>Volunteer of the month for September will be awarded shortly, thank you cards and gift certificates will go out next week (these are awarded to volunteers who help with School Council Events – 1 volunteer who helps with in the classrooms)</p> <p>Outreach opportunity at the book fair and upcoming parent teacher interviews</p> <p>How to engage parents whereby English is a second language</p> <p>School Council will need to keep constantly talking about it</p>	John Robertson
6.	<p>Co-Chair Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Halloween Dance Update <p>Halloween Dance Update (pull details from Synervoice) – Friday October 25th from 5-7 pm</p> <p>Dance has been announced K-4</p>	Alexandra Owens

	There is a dance committee (decorations, games, dj) Penny suggested 4 registration tables (split alphabetically)	
7.	Fundraising Report Bacon recap We sold 375 boxes for a profit \$5625.00 Very successful volunteer wise, process for delivery and pick up was very smooth	Ashley Janzen
8.	Treasurer Report	Ashley Janzen
9.	School Administration Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student Conferences • Federal Election • Alberta Winter Games – Feb. 14-17, host site • Confidentiality agreements for volunteers • Policy for class requests formalized – input sought • Results are in – preliminary findings/survey results <p>Student Conferences (School Council – to have a table Wednesday/Thursday 23rd/24th)</p> <p>Alberta Winter Games (will be using the school for some events and sleeping here) – have to have a site manager here for the weekend (volunteer position).</p> <p>Confidentiality agreement for volunteers- new agreement. Going forward every time someone signs in they have to sign a confidentiality agreement that the office staff will have on hand</p> <p>Class placement policy – school would like to put the formal Class Placement Policy into place (Penny drafted a policy in conjunction with Sue Long and Jason Hill) – input sought</p> <p>Accountability Annual Education Results Reports – October 2019 Highlights</p> <p>We are maintaining, improving, very high or excellent in all relevant categories</p> <p>Penny and Sue were most impressed with the marked improvement in parental satisfaction</p> <p>Participating in the survey has doubled since the school opened</p> <p>Math and writing are areas for growth</p> <p>Full report will be going in the school newsletter</p> <p>Other business – Paul Davis possibly coming March 9th he's booked.</p> <p>Internet Safety.</p> <p>4-6 students</p> <p>7-8 and students</p> <p>evening parents presentation</p>	
	NEW BUSINESS	
	<p>Questions about school policy about vaping on school grounds</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - people need to make the school aware of it - school needs help and will follow-up if someone reports them 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - not allowed on school grounds 24/7/365, but need community support to enforce and engage <p>Intention is to do the next fundraiser through School Council Growing Smiles Winter Campaign (pointsettias, wreaths – 4 items only etc.) Still deciding on whether the proceed</p>	
	Next council meeting: Wednesday November 13, 2019	John Robertson
	Adjournment John Robertson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 Seconded by Alexandra Owens Meeting adjourned	