

Terrace Ridge School Council Meeting
October 10, 2017

Call to order: 7:03pm

In Attendance: Mandy Brown, Anita Blain, Cathy Barnes, Raylean Crooks, Marica McWhinnie, Bob Huff, Thalia Hibbs, Rachel Lee, Krista Tichkowsky, Erin Lewin, Ricki McLarty, Shersti Edwards, Zoe Skene, Jill Woods

Approval of agenda: Mandy Brown, Seconded by Zoe Skene

Approval of Minutes of Sept. 12, 2017: Mandy Brown, Seconded by Anita Blain

Nominations and vote on 2017/2018 positions:

Ricky McLarty - Secretary
Jill Woods - Treasurer

Reports and Updates:

Trustee Reports: Bob Huff: Reported on the evaluation of the superintendent and a self-reflection of the current school board trustees actions from the past year. Setting the soon to be new school board up for success by looking at/updating new admin procedure and policies. These policies will clearly direct administration and school procedures. Reviewed plans to modernize the Blackfalds school or possibly a new build for the elementary school and possibly for a new build for a high school building. Reviewed CTS needs of Rimbey and possible upgrades for that program.

Principal Reports:

- Updated about Safe and Caring Schools survey for students, staff and parents.
- Asked for a request for 5 volunteers for safety day Oct. 20
- Got feedback for a TBA joint parent council meeting in Lacombe.
- We Scare Hunger update: program is up and running at TR. Classrooms are collecting for 3 weeks and 3 nights of collections at No Frills, Sobeys and Coop over the next 3 weeks.

TR Teacher Report:

- Volleyball update: students are starting away games
- Student teachers: we have 2 student teachers at Terrace Ridge
- Terry Fox Run was successful, the final total will be determined shortly once all the pledge forms are in.
- Plans for school choir to perform at the adjacent retirement home.

- Working on plans for the Remembrance Day Assembly

Treasurer Report:

- Waiting on bank statement, so Cutie Pies Fundraiser totals will be announced at the next meeting.
- Currently we have a working budget of: \$4554.35
- Reviewed some of the different options on things for Parent Council to fund this year.
 - 2 positions for Breakfast Club approximately \$5000 to fully fund
 - Discussion around a variety of different options.
- Crystal motioned for Parent Council to support \$2500 to be allocated now to offset the salaries for the Breakfast Program, Shersti Edwards seconded, all were in favor of the motion, and it was passed.
- Motion made by Raylean Crooks to approve the following expenditures:
 - Breakfast Club: \$300
 - Musical Theatre: \$500
 - Craft a Gift: \$500
 - Cultural & Parent Ed: \$700
 - Luau/Movie Night: \$300
- seconded by Rachel Lee, all were in favor of the motion and it was passed.

Welcome Back Breakfast Report:

- Approx 750 were fed this year
- Looking for new people to commit to taking it over for the next few years.
- It was a great success, lots of great feedback from students and parents.

Hot Lunch Report:

- Updated on juice crystals for hot lunch rather than flavored water bottles
- Looking at connecting about communicating with parents about hot lunches as the new Atrieve system does not send email reminders, so it was requested that some other kind of reminder was used.
- A discussion on healthier hot lunch options/snacks took place. Parent council is open to suggestions for other meal options for the 2017 2018.
- Discussions around utilizing a Parent Council/social media sight to incorporate announcements about hot lunch and other events. Tabled for the next meeting.

Cutie Pie Fundraiser Report:

- It was a great success, approximately \$1000 raised, final total will be reported at the next meeting.

Meet the Teacher:

- There were a lot of new parents who inquired about the roles of parent council
- Refreshments were served and enjoyed.
- Numbers of parents attending varied by grade level.

- Discussion about having a “pancake supper” next year and tie in meet the teacher evening.

New Business:

- Gingerbread House Fundraiser Night: Discussion on having a night in November and invite interested parents/kids to come in to learn how to make the gingerbread house.
- Ideas on having it either on a weeknight or weekend were discussed.
- A report will be given at the November meeting on when this will be planned for.
- Farm to school fundraiser was discussed. Farm to School Healthy Fundraiser, Raylean Crooks will investigate and report back
- 2017/2018 Budget/Goals to support were set for the first part of the year:
- Staffing for Breakfast Club: \$2500
- Breakfast Club: \$300
- Musical Theatre: \$500
- Craft a Gift: \$500
- Cultural & Parent Ed: \$700
- Luau/Movie Night: \$300
- and more will be added as needs of TR are evaluated. Looking at reviewing in Jan/Feb with input from staff.

Adjournment: 8:17pm

Next Meeting Nov. 14th @ 7:00pm