

Albert Lacombe School Council Meeting S, 2021 Online due to COVID - 19

Attendance

Allan Menduk, Lindsay Pratt, Gregg Schell, MJ Fenton, Natalie Monette, Marie O' Neill, Colleen LaForge-Griebel,

1. Call to Order: 7:02
2. Introductions
3. Prayer: Shared by Allan Menduk
4. Acknowledgement of Territories: Natalie Monette
5. Approval of Agenda:
Additions: Natalie moves to approve agenda as presented. Second MJ Fenton
6. Review and Acceptance of minutes from last meeting. Last meeting was held online due to the COVID- 19 pandemic on May 19, 2021. **Natalie motions to approve minutes as presented, second MJ Fenton**
7. Business arising from previous minutes
8. Reports
 - 8.1. Principal's Report (Allan Menduk)
 - Enrollment
 - Decline of enrollment
 - Older area of the city
 - Low kindergarten enrollment
 - Around 100 less children enrolled every 10 years
 - sports academy hasn't been the draw expected.
 - Plans being drawn up to bolster enrollment and parent engagement
 - Reintroducing the pre-k program,.
 - School Nutrition program what is it and how is it used at our school
 - Provincial grant
 - Wide range of ways to allocate funds
 - \$8000 per year
 - Emergency snacks and lunches

- Emergency family supports (gift cards for groceries)
 - Class and school functions (Halloween, bear den treats, year end BBQ)
 - This year so far
- School Spirit Days Discussion
 - School color day
 - Jersey Day
 - Orange Shirt Day
 - Halloween: No family dance, Optional dress up/black and orange day on October 29. Individually packaged treats can be brought from home. School will be decorated with inflatables.
 - Terry Fox day: Blue and Orange day. Popsicle treats covered by the school nutrition program
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- Parent teacher interviews: will be virtual due the pandemic. Considering hybrid format in the future.
- Field Trips are coming back to school; what do they look like for our students
 - Our division has a robust admin procedure to serve as a guide for field trip planning and approvals. Safety, COVID protocols, Vaccination requirement considered
- Botvin program
 - Replacing DARE with Botvin program
 - Life skills program
 - Evidence based intervention program
 - Personal Self Management skills
 - General Social Skills
 - Drug Resistance Skills
- Healthy Hunger welcome back to the school
 - Weekly lunches and Booster Juice every second week
- Parent Volunteers
 - At this time only essential supports permitted
 - Can still proceed with Terry fox and Healthy hunger
 - Volunteers will have to complete daily health screen, wear mask at all times
 - If there is an offsite trip that requires vaccination, volunteers need to comply
- Covid protocol summary - effective Thursday September 16
 - Disclosure considerations:
 - Disclosure of covid status is voluntary but strongly encouraged
 - AHS will not be notifying school of +ve cases
 - Disclose +ve cases directly to principal
 - Names of case will not be shared and close contacts are not required to isolate

- Use daily checklist for symptoms
 - When +ve case disclosed
 - School admin communicate with families in classes affected via email
 - Whole school will receive a general communication notice by email
 - Will advised AHS if we have 10% of our population away due to illness
- Digital citizenship
- Reporting concerns
- Cold weather
- Emergency response
- New student luncheon
- Mask Lanyards
- Back to school
 - Meet the Faculty “Doughnut Miss Out” - Aug 30
 - Staggered Entry Days
 - Return to School Plan: Has been updated and is more user friendly
- Election - AL was a polling place in the September election. Zero contact with electorate and school faculty and students
- Kids Help Phone
- Student Learning Opportunities
 - National Truth and REconciliation day - Sept 29 liturgy planned, age appropriate activities
 - Library up and Running
- Counselling supports available
- Yearbook Update - will be arriving soon
- GSACRD App
- Lost and Found - Higher Visibility
- Back to school Nutrition
- Virtual Mental Health Education
- Faith Formation
 - Growing in Faith, Growing in Christ - Religious education materials available at home. Information in Bear Bones
 - Liturgy - First celebration on Friday, Live stream throughout the building
- Building improvements - concrete work out back

8.2. School Trustee Report (Greg Schell)

- New team of trustees assigned after election on Oct 18.
- Initiatives -
 - Renaming Vital Grandin School. Will be decided by the end of September. Trustees make final choice after many consultations

- Morinville composite high School gym being used for mass following tragic fire in the parish this summer.
 - National Truth and Reconciliation day - September 30. Schools closed
 - Work with the minister of Health and Education to follow COVID procedures. Coordinate with surrounding school boards to allow for similar programs.
- 8.3. Teacher's Representative (Lindsay Pratt)
- GSACS Grant Application - Apple TVs
 - MIPI - Grade 2-6 math based assessment. To see how practices are supporting students. Helps drive instruction
 - International Dot Day - September 15ish - Literacy committee
 - GSACRD partnership with George Georgiou from U of A. Research and intervention program. Supports literacy development and targets learning loss resulting from pandemic
 - T-series assessment - phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, comprehension
- 8.4. Compassionate Friends (Lindsay Pratt)
- 1 family brought forward yesterday
- Purchase of cards needed - Will ask during SEEALS
- Documentation piece moving forward
- 8.5. Society Enriching Education at Albert Lacombe School Report; wrap up of 2020-21 (Marie O'Neill, President 2020-21)
9. New Business -
- 9.1. Vote in School Council Executive for 2021 - 22
- Chair - Nominated by Colleen, Accepted, unanimous acclamation
 - Vice Chair - Kristen Shead Nominated by Natalie Montette
 - Secretary - Colleen nominated by Natalie, Accepted, unanimous acclamation
 - Treasurer - Angie looking to step down, will mentor. Advertise to community
- SEEALS president - Advertise to school community
 - SEEALS vice president
 - SEEALS Treasurer
- 9.2. School/Teacher Priority List - Begin the discussion on how School Council is to ask SEEALS to fundraise to support our school this year
- 9.3. SEEALS

10. Next meeting- October 26, 2021. 7 pm
11. Adjourn 8:35