

Sunnyside School Council  
Minutes of February 12, 2015

Attendees: Connie Adserballe, Amy Hass, Cindee Nyrose, Tara Vucurevich, Alix Hirsche, Jill McIntyre, Amy Rombough, Esther Willms

Call to Order 3:50 pm

1. Agenda  
Motion to approve agenda moved by Tara, seconded by Amy H, passed unanimously.
2. Approval of Minutes for January 15, 2015  
Motion to approve minutes moved by Cindee, seconded by Alix H, passed unanimously.
3. Principal's Report
  - a) Grade 2 assembly was great last month. There was lot's of feedback and requests from parents wanting copies of the power point presentation that was shown. It was suggested that the power point presentation could be put on a digital frame and shown in the hallway after assemblies. After more discussion and Connie having a conversation with IT from Palliser it was decided that if a TV could be installed in the hallway across from the computer room hooked to a computer then it would open up a huge window of possibilities of what could be shown on it. Connie is going to check into this further.
  - b) Electrician's from Palliser have been in the school this week doing work in the classrooms, replacing lights.
  - c) An Exterminator was here this week to do an assessment. There is some work that needs to be done to help "pest proof" the school. Palliser will be involved in these discussions.
  - d) There was an announcement from Alberta Ed that all schools will be writing provincial achievement tests in grade 6.
  - e) The 2105/16 school calendars have been submitted for approval.
  - f) New caretaker started on Monday. They are working with Palliser on installing a washer and dryer so the caretaker isn't having to take home the laundry of rags, etc. to do at home.
  - g) Fountis & Pinell assessments will be starting after the February break. Letters will be sent as a follow up.
  - h) Report Cards go home Friday, Mar 13. Student Led Conferences will be Thursday, Mar 19.
  - i) There has been discussion on the bus situation – and it was announced today that Sunnyside will be getting a third bus added to the bus route. The bus should be rolling by March 2/15.
  - j) There has been lot's of discussion about children having electronic devices at the school. Guidelines need to be set and a letter will be sent home with students outlining them.
4. School Board Report – Esther Willms
  - a) Stakeholder's meetings will be held in 4 areas in the next couple of weeks. Presentations will be made to answer a variety of questions around Palliser's operations, vision and ongoing plans. There will be one at John Davidson School in Coaldale on Feb 25 at 6:30pm.
  - b) Palliser Beyond Borders is achieving success in the delivery of courses to students in a variety of places and for differing needs
  - c) 2 of our senior administrators and 1 trustee will be going to China at the request of the delegation that was here earlier in the year. It is at the very least a cost neutral venture and has brought some additional money in the system.
  - d) The upcoming budget will be a difficult one. There is no idea yet what we will be receiving but know it likely will not be even status quo.
  - e) Palliser honored a form trustee last week at a memorial service.
  - f) Trustees attended a presentation of the draft Regulations this week in Lethbridge
  - g) Sunnyside will be getting a third bus for the bus route – starting March 2!
5. Old Business  
Playground Update  
We are still waiting to hear back on the grant, hopefully in a couple of months we will hear. There will be a committee meeting before the next council meeting to finalize the layout.

Special Events in the Gym - Quest Theatre

Due to space restrictions it will have to be discussed with Quest the number of parents/guests that will fit in the gymnasium. Seating may be limited.

6. New Business

Incoming & Past President Meeting

It was suggested that Incoming & Past President's have a meeting with the principal at the start of the new school year when there is a changeover. Alix, Corey & Connie had a meeting and discussed a couple of things that need to be kept in the forefront moving forward.

7. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn at 5:05 p.m. moved by Alix, seconded by Amy R, passed unanimously.  
Next meeting: Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 3:45pm