

October 12, 2022 School Council Minutes - Sunnyside School

In attendance: Sharon Rutledge, Mitchell VanDyk, Rana Koopmans, Michelle Perlich, Whitney Schimanski, Travis Davies, Amy McDougall, Lynelle Hudey, Tatiana Cook (online), Baylli Haines (online), Erin Wallace (online), Val (online), Jessica (online) and Abby Nelson (online).

Call to Order: 4:06pm

1) Additions and Approval of Agenda:

- a) 1st Michelle Perlich
- b) 2nd Whitney Schimanski

2) Approval of Minutes of September 14, 2022 meeting:

- a) 1st Whitney Schimanski
- b) 2nd Travis Davis

3) Trustee's Report (Sharon Rutledge)

Council of School Councils

Palliser is introducing a council of School Councils inviting Chairs and representatives from school councils across the division (Vulcan, Calgary, South) to meet with Senior Admin and Board Trustees for discussion, training and development. This opportunity will help school councils understand their role, effective leadership and encourage parent involvement in the school community. The meetings will take place throughout the 2022-23 school year with invitees attending in person at a convenient central location in their area and will join virtually to hear presentations on special topics of importance from Alberta School Councils' Association. The first meeting will be held in November with further details to be confirmed soon.

Occupational Health and Safety

The Palliser Occupational Health and Safety Coordinator provided a presentation of workplace health and safety with highlighted training modules for new staff as well as Yearly Refresher courses for all employees. One of the areas highlighted was the unit on workplace bullying and harassment and the processes the division uses to deal with these incidents.

The New Coaldale High School Site

The new joint High School and Rec Centre in Coaldale is taking shape. Great progress has been done on cast-in-place piles, grade beam foundations, structural steel

superstructure and mass timber features. The structural steel on the rec centre has been erected and the exterior block walls will soon be completed. The project is on target and the Board of Trustees is pleased to be meeting with the Coaldale Town Council on October 25 for a site tour.

Next Board Meeting is scheduled for Nov. 29, 2022

4) Principal's Report (Mitchell Van Dyk)

So far it has been an awesome year! Here are a few updates:

- 1) I am in the process of hiring for a new EA position.
- 2) I am also in the process of talking with our HR supervisor about getting some more teaching time for the school.
- 3) Our final enrollment is really healthy - 122 students from K-6.
- 4) There are a few great events coming up:
 - a) Penny Carnival on Friday (thanks to you guys!)
 - b) Harvest/Pumpkin festival next Thursday - does anyone have any cool ideas they want to share for it?
 - c) Parent Teacher interviews on November 3.
- 5) We are hoping to add a little extra to our Wellness times on Fridays. I'm curious what you all think about offering swimming/skating etc. once a month on a Friday for those who want it?
- 6) We have our Wellness Committee meeting on Friday, October 21st and would love to have a few parents involved. Is anyone interested? (The more the merrier!) The meeting is going to be from 11-12.
- 7) We are looking forward to starting a few things in the coming weeks:
 - a) After school STEAM group on Mondays starting next week
 - b) Mini-volleyball on Tuesdays/Thursdays starting the last week in October
- 8) I have a greenhouse option for you all to look at - I'm curious what you think:
 - a) https://plantagreenhouses.ca/products/sungrow-26?variant=41567696781475¤cy=CAD&utm_medium=product_sync&utm_source=google&utm_content=sag_organic&utm_campaign=sag_organic&utm_campaign=g_s-2022-02-01&utm_source=google&utm_medium=smart_campaign&gclid=Cj0KCQjwkOqZBhDNARIsAACsbfLXGzi2IOX8PE6j7ukuDtsDmVknu78MLM8D60KvDv0UXvomVHKriZoaAIDHEALw_wcB
- 9) Any feedback on how the new pick-up system is working? Feel like it is going pretty good and starting to go faster now that parents are getting use to it.

10) Any feedback on how things are going at the school? Is there anything positive/things we need to work on? Kids are liking it at Sunnyside, the out door learning focus helps the kids feel good!

5) Old Business:

- a) Hot lunch: Sam is taking over the paper work part of it. Get the email linked to the bank account to help streamline it. Good food choices and its going smoothly. The forms were sent digitally, do some parents still prefer paper a form.

6) New Business:

- a) Rememberce Day service on Nov. 9th

7) Celebrations and/or Thank-you's:

- a) Julia Newberry, for all her hard and dedication to Sunnyside.

Adjournment: 4:42pm

Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 9th, 2022