

Beacon Hill Public School Parent Council

April 21, 2015

In Attendance: Waleed Najmeddine, Selena Klapp, Jenny Ridley, Rhonda Blanchette, Kelly Shiner, Shelley Kellington

Meeting called to order at 6:10pm by Kelly Shiner

Approval of Agenda: Selena Approves, Jenny seconds

Approval of March minutes: Kelly Approves, Selena Seconds

Grade 8 –Class Tour:

- Short stories written and illustrated were on display
- Art work depicting the “outsiders” on the wall

FNMI:

- Preparing for Aboriginal awareness week, will be week of May 18th
- Drummers will be coming in on May 21st
- Will go to Greely on May 20th for a presentation from Angela Gladue
- Matters of the Heart, bannock tasting will also happen during the week
- Working on art during aboriginal week to showcase at the fine arts extravaganza

Networks Report:

- Last of the special networks meetings for the school year
- On May 6th at district office, an information session will be given on anxiety and your child, two sessions will be available, one for parents and one for students, will be available online for future use
- Grade configuration decision was made, grades 7-8 on the south side will be moved to comp for the 2016-2017 school year, one year to prepare
- The recently announced provincial budget was discussed, enrollment has been capped which means even with increasing students no additional funding will be allocated for them, transportation costs have been cut, but the board will work to make sure that the classrooms and schools are not negatively impacted , it looks based on preliminary numbers that the district will be operating at a deficit

Teacher Report: Rhonda Blanchette/Shelley Kellington:

- Grade 6 PAT Part A LA on May 6th, remaining PAT's will be on June 17/18/19/22
- CAT 4s will be May 19-27 for grades 2/3/4/5/7/8, scheduling will have to be planned and well thought out as there is only 1.5 EA's
- Jump Rope for Heart meeting was earlier in the afternoon, it will be on May 22 after school and all students will participate
- Fundraising goal is \$5000 (based on last year's performances)
- Request to parents Plus for Robotics competition t-shirts from Mrs.Taylor
- Request from Mrs. Blanchette to parents Plus on behalf of the school, would like to have Motion in Science come into our school for 3 days, do classroom presentations, an evening presentation

and have them do an assembly, will cost about \$2000 and need to be booked as soon as possible.

- Volunteer Drive through will be on June 2nd, and Air band (suggested by student council) will be in the afternoon to replace the talent show
- Last milk day is on May 29th

Principal's Report: Waleed Najmeddine:

1. Grade Reconfiguration for 2016-2017

- Transition planning has started with the south side administration
- Plan to include parent and student input about the transition
- May 15th admins will meet and begin to put a plan in place, submitted to the superintendent by year end
- Parent concerns will continue to be addressed throughout the 2015-2016 transition period

2. Staffing 2015-2016

- The total impact of the provincial budget is still to be determined
- Administrator, CSI, FNMI, ELL, SES allotments are part of the projection budget templates sent to the principals in the spring
- Student pre-enrollment is very important to plan accurately
- Intent letters and registration forms will be sent home soon
- Intent letters to staff have already been sent out, majority of staff will be remaining

3. 2nd Annual FMPSD Family Fun Fair

- Saturday May 30-FMPSD Family Fun Fair at Timberlea School from 11-3pm (free)
- All schools are expected to participate
- Parent volunteers greatly appreciated
- Face painter, crafts, games, balloons, tattoos, popcorn

4. Technology

- New laptops are in and have been configured, waiting on delivery from district office

5. Parents Plus

- Can student agenda costs be covered by Parents plus, will be less than \$1500, it would simplify fee collection
- Can parents plus look into online school supply vendors, look into what is most user friendly ect

6. Important dates

- Wednesday April 22-"That's Danger" (grade 7-8) Alberta workers health center
- Kindergarten Open house Thursday April 23 5-8pm, Friday April 24 9-12
- Wednesday April 29- "100 days Out" Celebration for WCSG at MI 5-8pm
- Thursday April 30- MADD presentation to grade 7-8 at 8:30am
- Friday May 1- Professional Learning day (no school)
- Saturday May 2- FMPSD Spring Splash at Ecole McTavish
- Wednesday May 6- Jordin Tootoo at SSWC (Grade 7-8 FNMI)
- Wednesday May 13- Grade 6 ELA PAT, Girl Power at SSWC
- Thursday May 14- Jump rope for Heart kick off
- Friday May 15- Professional Learning Day

- Monday May 18- Victoria day (no school)
- May 19-22- Aboriginal Awareness Week
- Thursday May 21- "Who do you tell?" Grade 3
- Thursday May 21- Dr.Clark school drummers at 12:45pm
- Wednesday May 27- Mega Boyz at SSWC
- Friday May 29-Last day for Milk
- Saturday May 30- FMPD Family Fun Day at Timberlea school 11-3 (Need volunteers)
- Tuesday June 2- Volunteer Appreciation day, Air Band in the afternoon
- Thursday June 4- Fine Arts Extravaganza 5-7pm
- June 8-11-Circle Square Ranch (Grade 8 year end trip)
- Wednesday June 17- Grade 6 English Language Arts Part B (Multiple choice)
- Thursday June 18- Grade 6 Math PAT
- Friday June 19- Grade 6 Science PAT
- Monday June 22- Grade 6 Social Studies PAT
- Tuesday June 23- Sports day
- Wednesday June 24- Water park day Grade 1-6 at Howard Pew Park
- Thursday June 25- Lat day of classes, Year End awards ceremony

Teacher Addition:

- Starting introducing the "Zones of Regulation" (posters around the school) to the school, how to take ownership of their feelings, as a school will learn the terminology and continue to put into place in the coming year, zones are colored, Blue/Green/Yellow/Red and will help to identify feelings/ and how to self regulate

Meeting Adjourned at 7:25pm

Next Meeting date: May 26th at 6pm