

**Jessie Duncan Elementary School
School Council
Minutes**

Wednesday, March 10, 2021

- 1.0 Call to order at 7:00pm by Chairperson Stephanie Willmer
- 2.0 Welcome

Members present: via Google Meets

Stephanie Willmer, Chairperson
Ronan Mackey, Treasurer
Natasha Caissie, Secretary
Kory Sholdice, Principal
Susan Dillabough, Vice-Principal
Chrissy Crebas, Teacher Representative
Sherry Cooper, School Board Trustee
Shaun Kranenborg, Councillor Town of Penhold
Jamie Seiyama, Family Resource Coordinator
Elizabeth Dahl, Director
Natalie Collett, Director
Julie Mackinnon, Parent

Members Absent:

Nora Holben, Vice-Chairperson
Tori King, Director
Kristyn Sutherland, Director

- 3.0 **Approval of Agenda (as amended)**

Moved By: Elizabeth Dahl
CARRIED

- 4.0 **Approval of Minutes from January 21, 2021 meeting**

Moved By: Elizabeth Dahl
CARRIED

- 5.0 **Reports/Updates**

- a) **School Report – Kory Sholdice, *Principal* & Susan Dillabough, *Vice-Principal***
 - Hired EA for Grade 2
 - Thinking of creating an outdoor classroom between the portables-benches, planting boxes for each grade
 - Lock-down practice occurred

- 2021/2022 agendas have been ordered for grades 2 & 3 (Kindergarten & Grade 1 teachers don't feel they are necessary for their students based on writing abilities)
 - Surveys for student projections sent out
 - School supplies will look different for next year :
 - school will do bulk ordering
 - parents make cheque out to the school instead of buying own items
 - time & cost saving
 - Items then all same for each student.
 - Ordering in spring to arrive in June for teachers to distribute to classes for fall
 - Parents still required to purchase a few things (eg. indoor shoes, headphones)
 - School Generated Funds- shared with PAC twice a year, support specific projects and money can only be used for those items
 - Hot Lunch-library, hot lunch supplies
 - Spellathon-class fieldtrips, bussing
 - General-extra school supplies, kindergarten/new student t-shirts, agendas
 - Recycling-extra circular activities, performers/speakers
 - **Motion:**
 - **To transfer up to \$3000 from Hot Lunch account to the Spellathon account to use for field trips**
- By: Stephanie Willmer**
CARRIED

- b) **School Board Trustee's Report – Sherry Cooper, *School Board Trustee***
- Capital plan approved- all 3 schools over 100% capacity and opnly expected to increase-New school is a high priority
 - Possibility of starting field trips with strict conditions-curriculum dependant and stay in cohort groups
 - Looking at social/emotion health-how will the pandemic affect children in the years to come?
- c) **Town of Penhold Report**
- i) **Shaun Kranenborg, *Councillor Town of Penhold***
- Had to leave before giving report
 - Will email information (attached)

ii) **Jamie Seiyama, *Child/Youth Coordinator***

- Virtual Family Game Play- Saturday March 20 1-2pm pre-registration required
- Setting up an Intergenerational pen pal program with Penhold School
- Working on a Mental Health project

d) **Executive's Report**

i) **Correspondence** – ASCA Resolutions Package & Conference

- Discussion to occur next meeting-look over resolutions and send any questions to Steph
- Conference is virtual this year April 23-25, Breakout sessions on Friday & Saturday, AGM occurs Sunday (April 25) sessions cost \$95 for the 2 days no cost for general meeting

6.0 **Business arising from prior Minutes**

7.0 **New Business**

a) Elizabeth Dahl approval for ASCA Conference Rep

- Discussion occurred as to what goes on at the conference, why we would want to send a representative
- List of breakout sessions will be sent out to look over to see which may of be interest to the group
- **Motion:**
 - **To have Elizabeth Dahl represent Jessie Duncan School Council at the virtual ASCA conference and provide the cost of registration for the breakout sessions she attends**
By: Julie Mackinnon
CARRIED

Teachers Report – Chrissy Crebas, *Kindergarten Teacher*

- Pre-K-monthly speech sounds (T & D), dragon theme to work on fine motor skills such as cutting, colouring
- Kindergarten-letters, sounding out CVC words, number concepts, descriptions of feelings and how they feel (self-regulation), sight words for those who can read
- Grade 1-animal research project (arctic fox/hare/bear), each class gets to research animal/habitat/eating habits/adaptations and will do a paper mache project, addition strategies
- Grade 2-science-liquids, boats & buoyancy, Iqaluit, story development, letter blends, reading comprehension
- Grade 3- one class is reading the Book of Chaos (Red Deer author), starting multiplication, Rocks & Minerals

8.0 Next meeting date and Adjournment

- Next meeting will be on Wednesday April 21, 2021 at 7pm
- Meeting adjourned at 7:51h

Minutes Approved on the _____ day of _____, 20____.

_____ *Chairperson*

_____ *Secretary*

This is the update from Shaun.

----- Forwarded message -----
From: **Shaun Kranenborg**
Date: Wed, Mar 10, 2021 at 8:02 PM
Subject: My Update.

Hey Steph,

Would you mind forwarding this to the rest of the group for me?

Hey team. First of all, sorry to Sherry for rudely having to cut out during your update. I had to take care of the kiddo. Tomorrow is his birthday and he wanted to update me on that instead of going back to bed lol.

A few updates:

- Council got to see the new fire truck that we purchased from Texas. It is a great addition to our fleet and will replace our older truck that would not have met safety standards ongoing.
- We have begun to open the gym/arena/library within the limitations laid out by AHS, and will continue to open it up as time goes on and restrictions are lifted.
- We have replaced over half of our water meters with the new models. We are way ahead of schedule on this, and extremely happy the process is going so well.
- Council voted to not continue the 2A transit program after the conclusion of the provincial pilot project. The ridership was lacking, and the expense was too great to continue the program beyond the provincial funding.
- The province is beginning to look at replacing the RCMP with a provincial police force. Municipalities are very opposed to this as the cost for our tax payers would be extreme.
- Council approved a crossing signal for Waskasoo Ave by Penhold Crossing. It is our hope that this signalled crossing will further facilitate safe crossings for the HS students and everyone using the multiplex and developing recreational grounds.
- 2021 Municipal Election nomination papers are online. If you would like to run for council, please consider submitting your nomination.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to email me or call my cell at any time.