

**Jessie Duncan Elementary School
School Council
Minutes**

Wednesday January 18, 2023
7:00 pm

1.0 Call to order 7:02pm by Chairperson Courtney Nygren

Members present:

Courtney Nygren, Chairperson
Stephanie Willmer, Vice Chairperson
Elizabeth Dahl, Treasurer
Natasha Caissie, Secretary
Kory Sholdice, Principal
Susan Dillabough, Vice-Principal
Margo Gruenewald, Teacher Representative
Tyrone Muller, Councillor Town of Penhold
Jamie Seiyama, FCSS
Mike Dahl, Director
Brandi Filipchuk, Director
Ellen McKane, Director
Dawn Volmer, Director
Cassandra Mierau

Members Absent:

Sherry Cooper, School Board Trustee
Trevor Monette, Director

2.0 **Approval of Agenda**

Moved By: Elizabeth Dahl
CARRIED

3.0 **Approval of Minutes** from November 16, 2022 meeting

Moved By: Mike Dahl
CARRIED

4.0 **Reports/Updates**

a) School Report – **Kory Sholdice, Principal & Susan Dillabough, Vice-Principal**

- i) Christmas Concert Feedback. What would we like to change or keep the same?
 - 4 concerts during one night-had to change it due to the Red Days (cold temperatures)
 - Discussion about keeping one night, using another location, singing traditional songs, parking lot-nothing was decided at this time
- ii) Musical Instrument Purchase

- Rhythm sticks & Suzuki ToneChimes 25-note chromatic set
- iii) Staffing: Shelby Lethbridge, New EA Hire
- Shelby Lethbridge-COVID learning loss funds, working in small groups to support Gr 1, Supports Gr 2 & 3 in the class so teachers can work with students as needed
 - Lyndsay Mechefske-EA for Kindergarten & Grade 1
- iv) No Secrets Feb. 7,8,9 (second kinder day) and 13
- Program specialized in boundaries around the body, saying no, when to tell someone, have ran program in previous years
- v) Classroom Libraries
- So far one teacher has used funds
- vi) Crosswalk
- Pylons seem to help
 - Still looking into signage for the spring
- vii) Connect with Colt
- Chinooks Edge Division visit
 - Visit every 3 years-sees what is working or not
 - Parents matter Committee needs rep-any interest?
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- viii) Spellathon
- Dates will be sent out soon
 - Looking for sponsorship/donations from places for prizes
- ix) Christmas Hampers
- 7 families were helped
 - Penhold Elementary School helped with food boxes
- Rustlers Hockey players came to play floor hockey with the Grade 2 & 3, taught hockey skills
 - Report cards February 3
 - January 27, Literacy Day
 - Mrs. Daines is retiring –last day January 30-Miss Daines to replace her
 - Mrs. Skrepnyk is going on maternity leave-Mrs. Sparks is to replace her
 - Yes Program starting up again-Kira Davidson, M/W after school, lunch programs, early mornings, teacher referrals to the programs
- b) Teacher Report – **Margo Gruenewald, Kindergarten Teacher**
- Kindergarten- ABC's & sounds, printing properly, numbers to 10, patterns
 - Grade 1- sentence structures & details, addition & subtraction, numbers to 20, mental math strategies

- Grade 2- jump math, addition & subtraction, , proper writing technique & grammar, nonfiction writing, liquids, Iqualuit
 - Grade 3-weekly words, India, building & testing materials, novel studies, time unit, subtraction with regrouping
- c) School Board Trustee's Report – **Sherry Cooper, *School Board Trustee***
- Sherry was Absent
- d) Town of Penhold Report
- i) Town Council – **Tyrone Muller, *Councillor Town of Penhold***
- New Peace Officer has finished all formal training
 - Received Active Transportation Fund Grant to use on trails around town, boat dock/bridge/irrigation around the Multiplex
 - Taxes-expecting 4% increase (3% of that is school & police set by provincial government)
 - New school site- sewer and water planning
 - Community Hub-completion March 31
 - 2A/hwy 42 traffic circle-1-2 years before start, 4 lane highway design
 - 2A/Grey Street crosswalk light
 - 2nd speed sign posted around town-promotes slowing down
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- ii) Child/Youth Coordinator—**Jamie Seiyama *FCSS***
- Family Play Day Pokemon Party. February 11, 1-3 pm.
 - Lego Club Spring Session will be starting on Feb. 27, 4:00 – 5:00 pm. Registration required with jseiyama@townofpenhold.ca or call 403-886-3250.
 - Community Legal Clinic on March 8th, 1:00 – 4:00 pm in the library. Ask-A-Lawyer, Temporary Photo ID and Making a Will info Session will all be available.
 - Playgroup January 25, February 1, 8 and 15 for Ages 0-5 and their parent/caregiver.
 - Babysitter's Course booked for March 18th. Ages 11-15+. Register with Jennifer Blaylock.
 - **The following 2023 Events have been scheduled:**
 - i. Winterfest - Friday February 17 6:00-8:00 p.m.
 - ii. Easter Eggstravaganza - Saturday April 1 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
 - iii. Canada Day Event - Saturday July 1 in the morning
 - iv. Fall Festival - Friday Sept. 8 and Saturday Sept. 9
 - v. Community Christmas - Friday Nov. 24
 - Planning and booking activities for 2023 events is in full swing this month and our first event of the year will be Winterfest.

- a. Winterfest will be held at Ma & Pa's Bakery Café on Friday Feb. 17 where we will be building a community ice fort. We have already started inviting residents to make ice blocks for the fort and they can bring them to Ma & Pa's at any time leading up to the event.
- b. This will be an open top structure for safety but the more blocks people bring, the bigger the fort will be. There will also be winter games & activities, hot chocolate etc. as long as the weather is in our favour. *Volunteers will be needed, an honourarium is being offered, please let Carrie know if interested.*
 - PYC is looking at doing a Princess Tea Party fundraiser close to Mother's Day. More details to come.
 - We will be doing summer camps again this year as we will be offering 2-3 weeks. More details to come but registration will be open early May.
- e) Executive's Report
 - i) None at this time

5.0 Business arising from prior Minutes

- a) Is the Swing installed? If not what's going on with it?
 - It has not been installed yet. Kory will look into why
- b) School Photographers- more time is needed to look into it

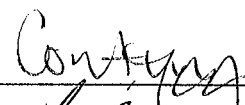
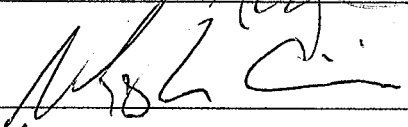
6.0 New Business

- a) None at this time

7.0 Next meeting Date and Adjournment

- Next meeting will be on Wednesday February 15 , 2023
- Meeting adjourned at 7:43pm

Minutes Approved on the 15 day of Feb, 2023.


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