**Penhold School**

**School Council Meeting**

Tuesday, May 10, 2022

**Minutes**

1. Meeting Called to Order at *7* PM by President, Ridehl Wilson.
2. Members Present:

Ridehl Wilson - President

Renee Mairs - Secretary

Lisa Baird - Principal

Giselle Meyers – Vice Principal

Sherry Cooper – Trustee

Ken Denson – Town Councillor

Jamie Seiyama - FCSS

Nora Holben - Director

Natasha Caissie – Treasurer

Lindsay Nicks – Vice President

1. Review of the Agenda

**Motion to approve the Agenda, as presented/amended.**

**Moved By: Nora**

**CARRIED**

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1. Executive Report
   1. Correspondence
   2. None
2. School Report – Lisa Baird
   1. Lisa is liaising with school office regarding upcoming maternity leave in October. Congratulations Lisa!
   2. AEP survey – survey grade 4 students and parents. Fantastic results. Lisa is incredibly proud of the building and the education system in the building and community. Education quality is 98%! Great parent involvement. Ken would like that info shared with town council.
   3. School division survey was also completed. Great results all around, especially on the connection to an adult in the school question. Career connections and communications need to be worked on and will be goal for next year.
   4. School and staff can be commended for the effort put in this year
   5. Back to in-person assemblies now.
   6. Nutrition funding has been given for next year for breakfast and hot lunch
   7. Heading into “free BBQ” season. Free BBQ Fridays
   8. Surveys will be sent out to parents for ideas for hot lunches. Need some parent feedback on new menu items, what kids don’t like, etc. Google form to be sent out. Grade 4 Subway lunch to be changed due to the trip to Fort Edmonton.
   9. Aim is to spend under $3500 per month on breakfasts. Moving into next year’s budget, substantial increase in food costs will need to be accounted for.
   10. Playground fundraiser – letter was sent out and donations are being asked for. Got a $2k cheque from Antler Hill, and $200 from South End Storage. Work with council on where the funds should be stored. A committee needs to work on what that looks like. Someone needs to help with taking that on. Ridehl is willing to do some work on that during the summer. Ideally the money should be held by student council so it can be included in matching funds. If any fundraiser is being planned for the school playground, please let the staff at the school know so they can be involved. A separate account would have to be opened, aside from casino funds. Ridehl to message an individual who wants to organize a fundraiser, but without going through proper channels. Definite concern over where the fundraising money will go with any independently organizes fundraisers. Ken to confirm with council as well and let them know.
   11. Sherry received some questions about fundraising for the playground and she pointed them to the town council and through school administration.
   12. New school – tours are done. Giselle and Lisa will go see more and do some second visits. Moving forward with planning meetings and building needs. Should we be looking at robotics or different art mediums? Lisa believes we are a trades community and we need to focus on that hands – on learning and focus on the hands on learning that will benefit the kids more. That programming would be more beneficial for the kids in our area versus robotics. Got a letter from AB infrastructure. Debate on what benefit robotics would be for kids at the school and which grades would benefit most. Sherry – you want programs in schools that are sustainable and that will help most of the kids. Liked the idea of the agriculture side and food programming/nutrition etc. – programs that sparks interest to more children.
3. School Board – Sherry Cooper
   1. Budget – review of final budget approval at the end of May. Teachers contracts are being reviewed and coming down for ratification in June as well as for the other employee groups once the information comes down.
   2. Field trips are getting reviewed. Time to get back to them.
   3. Poplar Ridge – YES program presentation. Very good presentation on what the program can do for kids. It’s a great program. Suggested for next year.
   4. Meeting with caucus and Min of Ed in early June.
   5. Its been fun touring all the different schools. Division managed program for the new school means we will have more control and say.
4. Town of Penhold Update
   1. Town Council - Ken Denson
      1. Council meeting last night. First annual Merit Youth Award for Logan Winderbank. Open Grade 7 – 12. He received a plaque and $250 cheque.
      2. On the weekend there was a memorial service for the Fire Chief, Jim Pendergast. His Son Paul stepped into his shoes.
      3. Hub is waiting for final approvals.
      4. Is the playground open to the public during school hours? A question to Ken. Ken needs confirmation. Lisa does not have specific answer. Others use it during the day and have never been recommended. Young kids should avoid it during recess because it gets super busy. Parental discretion needed. Lisa will ask the powers that be that question and get back to Ken
      5. Gretzy – Helenka Cup. Its coming back and the town can secure a pre-tournament game. Looking at getting Sweden and Germany out. Near the end of July.
      6. Bull-a-rama on May 14th in Penholder Tavern parking lot. Live bull riding. Proceeds go to Smiles for Lindsay charity.
   2. Family Resource Coordinator – Jamie Seiyama
      1. Summer camps are full but there is no one on the waitlist so get your name in for a chance at the future spots as they become available.
      2. PYC is running this summer Tuesdays and Wednesday grades 4-6 from 10-12 am, and grades 7-12 from 1-3pm. Grades are based on current grade with transition in the fall. Though they are open to conversations if you would like to move your child to the next age group in the summer.
      3. Parent appreciation night in August for PYC. More details to come.
      4. PYC open house on Wednesday September 7. Will do virtual meet and greet if that day does not work.
      5. Some parenting workshops will be happening in May and June. Watch social media for details.
      6. Celebrating Youth Week this week. Tomorrow is the BBQ and back yard games at the MAP and there are still spots available for the gym games and art workshops.
      7. Spring Fling is May 28. Shred truck, PYC bottle drive, food bank
5. Standing Business**:**
   1. ASCA AGM voting results – April 24th 8 hours.
      1. 138 to 45
      2. Diploma exam passed with amendment – to take out any perpetuity and replace with “while learning is significantly disrupted”
      3. 2 – policy review for maintenance passed as is
      4. 3 – passed with amendment – 142 – 12 amendment to take out 35 member limit
   2. School Council Grant – there is an option to do some workshops, pay for them now but put them into the fall. Option we could do.
      1. Could do one on the difference between Advisory council and school council. Other options etc.
      2. Screenagers PenX – hasn’t heard anything back yet. Joe social Media – have media presentations that would pertain to PES more etc. Do we need it at PES? Could we look at it now, pay for it out of grant money, but do it in the fall? Poll families on what area of social media parents need to most information on . Ridehl to look into what they have to offer and then send out poll/survey on FB for parents, same vehicle as for the hot lunch survey. Potentially next week.
6. New Business:
   1. Move AGM to September – Should we do that? Parent council put a table in at the front of the building to catch families at the welcome back BBQ. Parents can get info.
   2. Yes. More people come out the first meeting.

Motion to move AGM from October to September.

Moved by Ridehl Wilson

Carried

1. Next Meeting Date and Adjournment

* Next Meeting will be *September 13th, 2022* at 7:00pm.
* Meeting Adjourned at *8:07* pm.

Approved on the \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

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