

School Council Meeting

November 27/17

Attending: Bronwyn Kelly, Kathy Kelly, Valentino & Thurza McBean, Tim Molenaar, Nerys McKelvey, Sandra Fremstad, Manna Middleton, Dorthy Boone, Cammy Dunn

Admin: Mark Lowe, Greg Thompson. **ATA:** Natalie Townshend. **Trustee:** Don Boras.

1) Introductions and role of School Council:

- Still looking for a Chair - Bronwyn Kelly has accepted the position
- There is no Secretary at this time so G. Thompson will record minutes

2) Trustee Report: Don Boras

- Welcome by Don and a brief introduction. Would like an open door policy on all concerns and information.
- If concerns are placed in the School Council minutes as an item, they can be formally brought to the Board meetings. The application is available online.

3) Principal Report: Mark Lowe

- Nice start to the year. Staff is making efforts to communicate with parents and give them a voice. Many positive comments from the community this fall.
- Highlights from the fall include Terry Fox Run, Butte Fest, Halloween activities, Movember Fund Raiser, Operation Christmas Child, Chapters/Indigo Adopt a School Program, Palliser Student Leadership Conference, both Volleyball Teams going to Provincials, Christmas Socks, and Local Food Hamper drive.

Concern: DB - Are we needing more supervision in parking lots and areas?

- Discussion regarding utilizing CJ students from the college for volunteer hours, possibility of a School Resource Officer
- Presentations from
 1. AHS - 4 booked right now including a parent night for drug information
 2. Robotics demonstration and coding
 3. MM - is there an opportunity for U of L Presenter Robin Gibb to give a presentation on Adolescent Psychology (very good presentation)
- Christmas Dinner- Thurs, December 21 (lunch)
 - SF - Parents could donate food or \$\$ so that we could bring the cost down from previous years.
 - TM - Work out a deal with the local Hutterite Colonies where they prepare the turkeys and we pay for the processing. (Nancy to organize)
 - Foods class to make the desserts with Mr. Ogle
 - Bronwyn to organize and will implement the help of Manna, Sandra, and Cammy to help with extra food
- Golf Tournament Fundraiser
 - School will look after golf ball sales
 - We require people to serve on the committee who can go out to the community to gather contributions from businesses
 - AGLC - SF has the raffle book rules that must be followed. We will need to firm up our raffle books that go to the students in order to meet the AGLC guidelines. We will also need to 'tweak' this in terms of the communication going out to with

the students selling. I.e: what does the money go towards and how does the fundraiser work. This can go on the tickets.

- Timeline - should be completed for March-April
- Sales - where? When? Possibly at the drama production. other(?)
- Our reserves are as low as we want to take them so that cash coming in to the Betterment Society will be going out to school programs within the same year.

4) Student Report - Kathy Kelly

- Leadership Day at the U of L:
 - Attended by 35+ PBHS students and lead by the division student leadership group (Kathy Kelly and Grace Gunderson are representatives)
 - Many students discussing what we could bring back to the school and help to implement.
 - PBHS planning an activity with Huntsville that can unite the school and build community.

5) Other Business:

- Conversation regarding a Sr. High dance seeing as the Jr. High students planned one for themselves.
- Clarification to School Council regarding our student cell phone use policy. Students can use them during noon hours and breaks but not during class time.
- Clarification to School Council regarding cameras in the school and their use.
- Basketball court for the back of the school. Mark will connect with the Town of PB as well as the Palliser Regional Schools to see if this is something that we could work together to create.
- Facebook: Bronwyn would like to set up a School Council site and Greg will connect with the district IT's to see what is involved in creating a secure site.

Next meeting: January 15/18, 6pm in the library.