

West Meadow Elementary School Council Minutes

Thursday May 27th, 2021 8:00pm

In Attendance : Principal Sean Latta, Gwynne Orsten, John McKee, Ceri Penner, Rachel Smith, Amber Peatman, Shannon Zemlak, Karen Baker, Brandy McLean, Brad Toone, Elisabeth Sabey, Lettie Croskery, Joseph and Sherri Steves

Business arising from last meeting-none

New Business:

- Last meeting of the 2020/2021 school year, ideas of what we would like to see next school year
 - Ceri- FNMI presentation, anxiety workshop
 - Sean-7 Habits with parents
 - Gwynne-Artist in residence program
 - Joseph-Bring in a comedian
 - Rachel-2 Schools, 1 Book
- No pancake breakfast, meet the teacher and class lists in the morning on the Friday before school starts.
- Swimming lessons supported by fundraising and council if allowed due to covid restrictions

Trustee Report Brad and John

-Board Meeting held May 18th

Highlights:

- Livingstone Leaders Presentation by 3 students regarding Livingstone Leaders - Every Student Can Make a Difference Every day. Their presentation reflected on the 2020-2021 school year and sharing their successes, challenges, growth and looking towards the future and how they are wanting to do more.
- Technology Presentation by Chad Kuzyk, Associate Superintendent, Curriculum and Innovations presented a Technology Innovation presentation. The presentation included extensive information regarding the Continuity of Learning and Tech, Infrastructure and the Learning Technology Framework.
- 2021-2022 Budget Report – The Board of Trustees approved the 2021-2022 Budget for the Livingstone Range School Division for submission to Alberta Education. With so much uncertainty this Budget must 1) Learn from the Past; 2) Plan in the Present; 3) Prepare for the Future. 4) Education Plan 2021-2024 – The Board of Trustees approved the 3 Year Education Plan for the Livingstone Range School Division. Comprehensive report can be found on our website lrsd.ca

Book Study Kids These Days

Chapter 8-The Kids Are The Least Of Our Worries group discussion

Principals Report Sean Latta

- MRA summary annual plan and Leader In Me, more information in September. Key piece involving parents in Leader In Me.
- Budget Summary we are operating at 74% of the previous school year. Down 0.6 teachers, down 2.1 support staff positions
- Ms.Mosser retiring at the end of June.
- Teacher roles will be announced in an email at a later date. We do know there will be 2 Kindergarten classes, 3 grade one classes, 2 grade two classes, 2 grade three classes, 2 grade four classes, 2 grade five classes, 2 grade six classes.
- Quinn is being kept on at WMES 5 full days, 4 days by the division and 1 by WMES.
- School division has a new start time, 8:30 am start time and 3:20 dismissal time across the division except for Stavely and Granum.

-WMES keeping morning and last recess to staggered and afternoon recess the whole school will be outside. Recess first then eat second.

-Fridays change to 1 break with 20 minute outside time and 20 minutes to eat. 10 minutes less break time.

-No staggered entry at the start of the day or at dismissal. 8:15am supervision on the playground, 8:25 warning bell, 8:30 am start time.

-Sharpen The Saw Day June 22nd 2021. 10 stations for classes to rotate through based on mind, body, heart and spirit.

-Parents of grade 1-3 students asked if they like traditional report cards vs. ongoing feedback throughout the year. Even with ongoing feedback there is an end of the year report with an overall grade in math, reading and writing.

-10 students have completed the reading challenge

Next meeting tentatively scheduled for Thursday September 24th 2021 via zoom unless in person meetings can resume.