

Minutes from today's School Council Meeting

NITON CENTRAL SCHOOL COUNCIL

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Sept 14, 2020

1. Attendance: Jill Heintz, Colleen Dufresne, Miranda Morden, Carolyn Coady, Tammy Ruggles, Miranda Morden, Christina Bowman, Keli Setzer, Kimberley DeLeeuw, Carol Tymchuck, Rebecca Tymchuk, Leanne DeLeeuw, Darran Lorne

2. Called to order: 9:30am

3. Review of agenda

4. Agenda and minutes approved by: Tammy Seconded: Colleen

5. Reports

SPORTS COUNCIL:

- Insurance- Recreation Board will be able to insure wrestling, soccer, and any other sports that are not 'run' through the school

- Sports Council is in the process of dissolving, decisions need to be made as to how much money will go into each sport

- Looking into if any archery money will be refunded

SCHOOL

- Mr Lorne introduced himself:

-He lives in Edson, his wife is a counsellor at Parkland. His two grown children live in Southern Alberta. He taught in the Middle East for three years as a Superintendent/ Principal. Prior to that he had various roles in Lethbridge (K-12, K-9, Elem, Middle, High, Alternative Schools), his 28th year in Education, 26th as Admin. Glad to be back in a rural setting. Teaches P.E. to the Jr Highs every second day (alternating with Mr Black)

- New teachers: Mr Stoyles (Jr High, shop options), Mr Black (Jr High, gym, options), Miss Ableman (K, Gr 3-4)

-Sept 14- Picture Day (Kindergarten Nov 3rd)

-Sept 17- Meet the Teacher 5-6:30 in the gymnasium. No food will be served, please do your best to socially distance

-Sept 30- Orange Shirt Day

- Parents are welcome to come into the school, just please follow protocol

- Not all siblings need to stay home if one child has symptoms

- Budget:

-111 students are registered which really hurts the 'three year average' model. 'Lost' 20 students, which works out to about \$100,000. Staff cuts will have to be made, plans to keep all teachers.

- Jr Kindergarten fees are being lowered to \$550.00

- Jr High Options: Will rotate through multiple options in 5 week 'chunks': Career Prep, Health, Foods, Leadership, Outdoor Education, Robotics, Electronics, Sewing, 3D Design

- Playground: Cannot guarantee that it is sanitized so not able to use it at this point. Will look into as some other Alberta school divisions are able to use their playgrounds

-Jr High lunch options: Stay in class or have to leave the school grounds. Maybe can look into some other options?

-Sports wise, some schools are allowed to practice sports, but not compete. Maybe some 'covid-safe' sports? Skipping?

- Can maybe find some way for Jr Highs to be able to change for gym class

-Covid testing are now a 24hr turnaround

OLD BUSINESS

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NEW BUSINESS

-Fundraisers that go out should have letters on the front explaining their purpose

NEXT MEETING: Oct 5th

ADJOURNED: 10:07am