

## Millgrove School Council Meeting Minutes

*We work together to enhance student learning by promoting the well-being and effectiveness of the entire school community.*

### **6:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 3, 2022, Google Meet Online Meeting**

#### **1. Call to Order & Introductions:**

1. Time: 6:30 p.m.
2. Verification of quorum - Verified
3. **Treaty 6 Acknowledgement Statement:** *We honour all of the many First Nations, Métis, and Inuit whose footsteps have marked these lands for centuries. We acknowledge that the ancestral and traditional lands on which we gather are Treaty 6 territory, a traditional meeting ground for many indigenous peoples, and in particular our neighbours, Pal First Nation, Enoch Cree Nation, Alexis Nakota Sious Nation, and Alexander Cree Nation; on whose territory we work, live, and play, and on whose territory we stand.*
4. **Introductions:** Linda Madge-Arkininstall, Allison Chuey, Amanda Doucette, Donna Miners, Anna-Marie Jackson, Dayla Cochrane, Jill Osborne, Tara Zieminek, Lorie Marler, Kevin McLaughlin

#### **2. Agenda:**

1. Amendments (if applicable)
2. Adoption - Motion by: Allison Chuey, seconded by Lorie Marler

#### **3. Minutes:**

1. Amendments (if applicable)
2. Approval of previous meeting's minutes, Adoption - Motion by: Allison Chuey, seconded by Dayla Cochrane

#### **4. School Reports:**

1. Principal's Report - Linda Madge-Arkininstall - attached below

#### **5. Division Report:**

Trustee Report - Jill Osborne

#### **6. Foundation Report:**

1. Foundation Report - Allison Chuey
  - Hot lunch/milk program running smoothly
  - Got some good feedback on the Thought Exchange
  - Fundraiser raised just under \$6,000
  - Next fundraiser is spell-a-thon in April
  - Looking to gather ideas on what to put funding towards

7. **Standing Business:**

Council of School Councils (COSC) Update

- Next meeting is March 29 - will be discussing resolutions for ASCA AGM

8. **New Business:**

9. **Next Meeting Date: April 20, 2022, at 6:30 p.m.**

- Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

### **A Message from our Principal**

#### **Welcome**

Welcome and thank you for joining us this evening. I am grateful for your participation and feedback and involvement.

#### **Kindergarten Open House**

We had 29 families attend our virtual open house. We started with a video developed by Mrs. Cait Barker and then answered a variety of questions. Mrs. Long, Mrs. Harley, Mrs. Miners and Mrs. Regan took part in the evening. It was lovely to see some of our new families and some familiar faces.

#### **Staff Professional Development**

- January 31 - Mrs. Charity Alook, our division literacy lead, presented ways to differentiate word work in the classroom.
- February 8 - Mrs. Lindsay Graham and Mrs. Leslie Steigel reviewed all of the strategies and the work they are doing with students in their intervention sessions. This opportunity allowed all of our staff to gain a better understanding of how we can support individual needs in the classroom. We have also ordered some excellent resources for each grade.
- March 28 - Mrs. Gail Wright will present to the staff on the topic of numeracy intervention strategies.

#### **Staffing Update**

Mrs. Elaine Drynan returned March 1. Ms. Katie Hehn will continue working in grade 3, formally Ms. Lindsay Graham's class. Mrs. Stacy Pritchard will continue working in grade 2, formally Mrs. Wright's class. Literacy Intervention Program Mrs. Lindsay Graham will continue as our literacy intervention until the end of June. We have seen tremendous growth in the students and we are so excited to have the opportunity to reach more students and adapt where needed.

## Numeracy Intervention Program

Mrs. Gail Wright will continue as our numeracy intervention teacher until the end of June. This program has been well received and students are flourishing.

## Alberta Education Assurance Survey

Grade 4 parents/guardians will be receiving a survey package from Alberta Education in the mail. This package is sent to families who have students in grade 4, 7 and 10 and will include a copy of the Education Minister's letter, a letter containing a Random Access Code (RAC) and instructions for accessing the survey. I am encouraging our grade 4 students to complete the survey as their feedback is of great value as we plan and reflect upon the year.

## Play Parkland and Swim at School

Both these activities have begun and it is wonderful to see the students excitedly board the bus and head off on these adventures.

## Archery

Archery is in full swing and our coaches (Mr. Cherry and Mrs. Taylor) have been working hard preparing the team for tournaments. There are over 70 students on the team (grade 4-grade 12) which include our grade 4 students and returning students from other schools. They have participated in one tournament in Westlock and were the only elementary school. Some of the students received medals for high scores. They are looking forward to four more tournaments and most of the team will participate in provincials on March 19.

Upcoming dates:

- March 8 - School Foundation meeting.
- March 17 - report cards will be released to parents/guardians.
- March 21-March 25 Spring Break
- March 28 - P.D. day

Respectfully, L. Madge-Arkininstall