

Meeting Minutes of Wainwright High School Council

When: September 22, 2021

Location: Zoom – online

Attendees: Jason Dahlgren, Stephanie Dahlgren, Karli Setzer, Amber, Brenda C, Carley Herbert, Cheryl Whitten, Cheryl, Eryn White, Vince Hill, Heather Rentz, Jerry Rentz, Jennifer Gerroir, Jenny Thomson, Katharine Campbell, Lyndsey Challenger, Mary-Claire Belanger, Meredith Gingrich, Robin Leighton, Sheryl Tipler, Stephanie Copper, Stephanie Evans, Sandra Grunow, Marie Isaman, Bobbi Marriott, Lindsay Carton

1. Call to order: 6:55 PM
 - a. Mission Statement read by Jason Dahlgren
2. Review of Agenda – zero additions
3. Correspondence
 - a. ASCA link – Jason Dahlgren explained the website for councils in Alberta Health Services
4. Minutes from previous meeting read by Karli Setzer
 - a. Meeting minutes amended to include the motion to approve that Subway be bought for WHS staff in June of 2021 in the amount of \$197.10
 - i. Motion approved via text
5. Financial report given by Lyndsey Challenger
 - a. Balance of \$2178.51
 - i. Expenses - bought cheques and Subway ordered for WHS staff at year end
6. Reports:
 - a. School Board report given by Marie Isaman
 - i. Students are ok
 - ii. Excited for the new trustees
 - iii. Supported the school's decision on masking
 - iv. Re: Vandalism – Admin doing the right thing for the kids
 - b. Student council
 - i. Class student representatives have been chose
 - ii. Council meeting mid-October to determine the council representative
 - c. Teacher representative – Mrs. Campbell
 - i. Spirit week was a success
 - ii. Upcoming Terry Fox run
 - iii. Plant fundraiser for the JR High by Spade to Spoon
 - iv. BOSS day for grades 9-12 on October 7
 - v. Hot lunch on WHS website
 - vi. Makerspace benches now redone in vinyl
 - vii. Students who partook in golf zones had fun
 - viii. Extracurricular activities running
 1. Cross country running, volleyball, basketball
 - ix. New band teacher
 - x. School photos Oct 13
 - d. Principle – Mr. Hill

- i. Virtue of the Month – painted on the wall
- ii. Appreciated Rheanne’s (BTPS superintendent) email
 - 1. Reminded meeting members about the importance of respect and to model it to the kids
- iii. Went over meeting with the teachers with the back to school plan and how to create normalcy for the students
 - 1. Touched on masking policy decision and minimal complaints brought to him
 - 2. 100% of staff voted unanimously in favor of mask in common areas
- iv. Current COVID numbers and how well WHS is doing - the kids are doing well with measures in place
- v. BTPS has exciting things coming focus on literacy and numeracy
 - 1. PD available online outside of school hours
- vi. Math 10-3 and 10-C
 - 1. All students taking practical math first – create a good solid foundation
- vii. Dashboard Oct 30 – to be shared at next school council meeting
 - 1. Where the kids are at academically and the school’s plan
- viii. Extracurricular activities
 - 1. Run for It - Shopper’s Drug Mart – program to help with anxiety and depression between the ages of 12-19. Run 5 km
- ix. GSA Group
- x. Environment club – Katharine promoting
- xi. Anti-Racism committee – promote tolerance and working together
- xii. New website October 8
- xiii. Sept 30 - is “orange shirt day” and Indigenous Reconciliation Day
- xiv. Tik Tok challenges going around – soap dispensers went missing
- xv. Band – going well with the new teacher
- xvi. BBQ after the Terry Fox run on October 1 – fundraiser and food to be pre-ordered
- xvii. Student success meetings – probably online
 - 1. Hoping parents can book online with new website
 - 2. 2 dates per semester
 - a. Nov 3 & 4 and April 13 & 14

7. Old business

- a. Track Fundraising update
 - i. Grad class of 2021 donated \$1200
 - ii. Still shortfall of \$40,000
 - iii. Casino in Camrose

8. New Business

- a. Trustee candidate introductions
 - i. Stephanie Evans – ward 3 – subdivision 3
 - 1. Introduced self
 - ii. Stephanie Cooper – town of Wainwright in by acclamation
 - 1. Introduced self

- iii. Tanya Ford – unavailable
- b. WHS Band Program and update
 - i. Mrs. Gingrich is a seasoned band teacher and is enjoying the school and students.
- c. School council annual plan
 - i. Jason presented a template for the plan and we can add to it as we go. This is what Jason will use for the annual report submission.
- d. School Council communications plan
 - i. Jason questioned audience about their preferred communication method
 - ii. Email Jason Dahlgren your email address at councilwhs@gmail.com
 - iii. Meeting dates will be in the monthly school newsletter
- e. School council meeting schedule
 - i. Keep status quo
- f. GoA \$500 grant for school councils
 - i. To be used to enhance parent and schools collaboration following the framework set out and certain criteria
- g. WHS back to school pan
 - i. Jason, Council president, received multiple complaints via email and telephone
 - ii. Floor opened for questions and concerns – none voiced
- 9. Questions from the floor
 - a. Question asked about current enrollment and whether it is up or down
 - i. Roughly 360 students – 12 new students
 - ii. Lost some to moves and other schools
 - iii. Division does exit interviews

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM

Next meeting: October 20, 2021 at 7:00 PM