

Wainwright High School

Council Meeting Minutes

September 21, 2022

Wainwright School Library

Attendees: : Jason Dahlgren, Cheryl Stafford, Stephanie Dahlgren, Jenna Flynn, Eryn White, Karli Setzer, Stephanie Cooper, Brenda Carpentier, Sheryl Tipler, Val Roach, Rena Rutledge, Katherine Campbell, Sandra Grunow and Vince Hill.

Called to order at 7:15pm

Agenda was reviewed. There were no additions from the table.

Correspondence:

- Facebook page – was created over the summer, please like and share so we can get as many WHS families as possible aware
- ASCA newsletter – available on their website
- FCS Suicide Awareness and Prevention – was sent by Kari @ FCS and shared on the school council Facebook page
- Teacher code of conduct survey – received from ASCA and shared on the school council Facebook for parents/guardians to complete

Secretary's Report – Stephanie Dahlgren: minutes available on website

Treasurer's Report – balance currently \$903.84

School Trustee's Report – Stephanie Cooper

- Board had an organizational meeting today. Their new chair is Kara Jackson and the Vice Chair is Barry Livingston.
- Board meetings have been moved to Tuesday evenings and will no longer be livestreamed. Public are welcome to attend these meetings, next meeting is October 18, 2022 @ 5:00pm at central office.
- A motion was passed for schools to develop local courses.
- On September 29, 2022, the board will meet with Minister of Education Adriana Lagrange in Bonnyville and will have ½ hour to discuss topics with her. Members will be discussing access to mental health/aides for students (ex. SLP/OT services) and will be thanking Minister Lagrange for the financial relief for bus contractors.
- There are 3 new "On the Trail" podcasts now available.
- The new trustee is Arthur Block.

Student Council Report: absent.

- Executive was just elected.
- Sandra will ensure they are aware of future council meetings.

Teacher Representative – Sandra Grunow

- student council was just elected recently, kids had the opportunity to advertise themselves for council representatives.
- WOW is starting programming for this year.
- Sandra states the staff is “feeling rejuvenated”.

Principal’s Report – Vince Hill

- Virtues have been drawn for each month in the school year. The September virtue is “unity”.
- There have been some changes to R2. Numeracy/literacy is a priority for all K-12 students in the division. Eryn has developed numeracy/literacy sessions students will participate in on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays. Teachers will coordinate with Mrs. Hoveland-White as to what students they would like to work with on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- Jerry Varty met with the teachers of WHS for ½ a day.
- The parking lot has been completed and spots assigned to students. The price tag was approximately \$25,000 with WHS covering \$15,000 and the division covering the other \$10,000. The town also revamped the curb/sidewalk, at their cost. Vince was asked how the litter situation in the parking is at this time. He states it doesn’t seem too bad at this time. Grades will be assigned to clean up areas, as needed.
- The “Morning Mile” running club has started. There are approximately 12 kids participating.
- The school attended the Community Organization night hosted by the Town of Wainwright.
- The car show held during Spirit Week went well.
- Mentorship will be happening.
- Due to new regulations, 6 fire drills and 4 lockdown drills need to happen each year.
- The Allan Kehlar presentation was awesome, the students were very engaged.
- Janet Flynn, social/emotional coach is now at WHS 1.5 days per week.
- Admin staff is meeting with WOW once per month.
- WHS has put in a bid to host volleyball provincials in 2024.
- Upcoming Important Dates:
 - October 4: Thanksgiving lunch for students, volunteers are welcome to come and help serve the students.
 - October 6: BOSS Day for grades 9-12

- October 6: (approx. 12 WHS kids attending at this time, they are still expected to participate in BOSS Day on their own time).
- October 14: Lakeland College tours, grade 11/12 will be offered first and, if room on the bus, grade 10's will be welcome to join.
- October 27: ELA (Education Liaison of Alberta) will be doing a college/university presentation from 8:45am – 10:45am. Lots of schools attending and there will be 600-700 students in the building for that.
- October 26/27 grade 8 wellness days
- October 28: students will be touring the U of A/Grant McEwan
- Grades 7, 8 and 9 will be doing plant sales this year as a fundraiser.
- The awards assembly will be held in November (date to be announced).
- Student Success Meetings: one night will be in person and the other night will be virtual.

Old Business: none

New Business: School council Facebook page: see above

Meeting schedule: was discussed. Meetings will still be the third Wednesday of each month, however, will now be at 6:00pm.

Questions from the floor: none

Next meeting: October 19, 2022 at 6:00pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm