

Albert Lacombe School Council Meeting

February 10, 2021

Online due to COVID-19

Attendance

MJ Fenton, Natalie Monette, Marie O'Neill, Kirsten Shead, Angie Carlson, Duane Hayes, Candace Leis, Greg Schell, Alan Menduk, Lindsay Pratt, Colleen LaForge-Griebel

1. Call to order 7:05

2. Introductions

3. Prayer: Shared by Allan Menduk

4. Acknowledgement of Territories: Natalie Monette:

The Albert Lacombe School Council acknowledges that it is meeting on the original lands of the Cree, those of Treaty 6, and on the homeland of the Metis Nation.
Kinanaskomitin Manito (Thank you Creator)

5. Approval of the Agenda

Motion to approve agenda with addition 8.2 School fees and 8.3 code of conduct by Angie Carlson, Second Marie O'Neill

6. Review and Acceptance of minutes from the last meeting. Last meeting was held online due to the COVID-19 Pandemic on January 13, 2021

Motion to approve minutes by Angie Carlson, Second MJ Fenton

7. Business arising from previous minutes

7.1 School/Teacher Priority List for 2020-21

Everything listed has been acquired through school funds, SEEALS or donations.

Grade 6 farewell: will ask for \$500 from SEEALS

7.2: AHS inspection report shared in school newsletter

- Cleaning protocols
- Preventive measures
- We are in compliance with all recommendations
 - Prayer tables in classroom - Table Clothes to be washed and replaced regularly
 - Fitness room: 6 feet between exercise bikes (not used by students)

8. New business

8.1 Council of Councils Meeting held online February 1, 202.

- Attended by Chair Natalie Monette and Vice Chair Kirsten Shead, Trustees, Superintendents, other school council Chairs.
- Discussed School Council bylaws, Staff appreciations ideas, Fundraisers, Parent engagement and Insurance for fundraising committees.

9.2 School Fees:

- Any fees collected must be used for the purpose they were collected for. IF they are not used by the end of the year they will be refunded to parents. Fees represent a MAXIMUM charge for the school year. Increases to the 2021-22 school year in Activity/User fall outside of the control of the school/ distinct: Carbon Tax, Post covid considerations, etc.
- Fees not charged for things like music, cultural activity,
- Progressive kindergarten will not take place this fall at AL

Motion to endorse fees for 2021-22 as presented by Natalie Monette, Second Angie Carlson

9.3 Code of Conduct

- Legal name change from District to Division
- Reinforce connection of our school code of conduct and faith of school
- Positive behaviour supports
- Additional clarification
- Expanding on BEARS
- What do the expectations mean for students?
 - Responsibility to report aggression/inappropriate behaviour
 - Included section on Prohibited items
 - Consequences and interventions
 - Will be added to School Agenda/Handbook and Website

Motion to approve changes to Handbook by Natalie Monette, Second Angie Carlson

9. Reports

9.1 Principal's Report (Allan Menduk)[AL School Council Meeting - February 10](#)

Safe and Caring Schools

- COVID
- Sliding in front of school
- After school play on school ground

- Student learning opportunity
- Academy programming update
- Valentines day
- PTI - Feb 1 and 3
- Mission impossible

Parental engagement

- Surveys - Coming out soon
- Calendar 2021-22/ 2022-23 School years
- Registrations for 2021-22
- Lunch hour supervisor - Hiring
- Parent Cafe

Participation in Life-Long Learning, World of Work and Citizenship

- Kindergarten open house Jan 28
- Albert Lacombe Catholic Elementary School Open House March 3 5:00pm
- VJM: presentation to AL Grade 6, Open house February 24, 7:00pm
- School Wide Lessons on Mindfulness - School counsellor

Faith Formation

- Shrove Tuesday, February 16
- Ash Wednesday Feb 17
- Star of the North: Faith formation for Parents and Guardians - Tuesdays at 7:00pm
- St Albert Parish Flocknotes: Sign up to keep up to date with the church

Continuous Improvement

- Ask the Principal- When do Students stay inside when it is extremely windy outside?
- Parent Group/ Societies General Liability Coverage
- Rotary Teacher of the Month: Mrs. Pratt

9.2 School Trustee Report (Greg Schell)

- Council of Councils Update
- Vaccination request: In order to help promote safety and health of school based staff, the school division is calling on the province to prioritize vaccinations for teachers to protect or front line employees. Having schools running is essential to economy reopening.

- Mental health / PD day to have mental health wellness day
- Good news: School updates: Generosity and compassionate, service projects
- Kindergarten and virtual open houses
- Interviews for new Deputy superintendent
- Provincial Govt will offer Critical worker benefit: includes front-line Education staff - Support Staff
- Alberta School councils awards nominations upcoming
- Holy family - Father Joe just retired. He has contracted COVID. Request for prayers

9.3 Teacher's Representative (Lindsey Pratt, Candace Leis)

- Valentines/Kindness Bear Dens (Kindness), Bucket filler punch card - Draw at end of February, Kindness bingo,
- Paper Valentine in Div 1/ Virtual Valentines in Div 2
- Numeracy week:
 - March 8-11
 - Math jokes of the day
 - Math read aloud - Library block
 - Estimating - How many candies in jar
 - Daily events
 - Math Art
 - Math alphabet
 - MATH games
 - PI day read aloud: contest
 - Math 'thinking Hat' day - Food bank donation
- Literacy committee update
 - In planning process, battle of the books, be-who-you-are-career- week
- PTI -Google meet interviews are working well for teachers. Online version allows for smoother transitions and more time with families. Appreciate flexibility of families to a different format. More accommodating to families with different work schedules
- Teachers convention: Online. Very well received. Flexibility. Easy to switch between PD sessions. Pre recorded sessions - could refer others, watch anytime. Teachers got a lot out of convention.
- Open House Trailers - sneak peak
- Art Cards: Classes are completing their beautiful artwork

9.4 Compassionate Friends (Lindsey Pratt, Candace Leis)

- One request brought forward to school council and approved. Gift card has been sent out to the family.

9.5 SEEALS Report (Marie O'Neill/Angie Carlson)

- Treasurer report:

- Receiving online donations
- Fundschrift gift cards - some are not working. Gift cards will be refunded if cannot be resolved with company
- Looking forward to art cards and Purdys

Motion to approve \$500 for Grade 6 farewell by Angie Calson, second Marie O'Neill

10. Next meeting – March 10, 2021

11. Adjourn 9:05