

Albert Lacombe School Council Meeting
Sept 15, 2022
Hybrid: Albert Lacombe school and via Zoom

Attendance

Allan Menduk, Lindsey Pratt, Natalie Monette, Candace Leis, Angie Carlson, Colleen LaForge-Griebel, Tristan Brass (ATA), Carson Fleming

1. Call to Order: 7:03
2. Introductions and welcome
3. Prayer: Shared by Allan Menduk
4. Acknowledgement of Territories: Allan Menduk

5. Approval of Agenda
Natalie Monette motions to approve the agenda with additions 7.1 Community Journey Forward, 9.4 ATA presentation and 9.5 Volunteer Requirements updates. Second Angie Carlson

6. Review and Acceptance of minutes from last meeting.
Angie Carlson Motions to Approve minutes from May 10 meeting Second Natalie Monette

7. Business arising from previous minutes
 - 7.1. Community Journey Forward
 - 15% increase in student numbers (221 not including pre K)
 - Programing changes include PreK back at the school
 - Hired a music specialist. Christmas concert date set. Will be at St. Albert Parish
 - Outdoor education
 - Community based events: School council BBQ dance, Danielle Reid (mental health talk with holy family school), halloween dance
 - Alternative programs Recreation academy was requested. Admin is continuing with application
 - Unfortunately, Nature Kindergarten was not able to run due to kindergarten fees

8. Reports
 - 8.1. Principals report (Allan Menduk)

General Information

- National day of mourning for Queen Elizabeth II

- All schools are open, daily events tbs
- Enrolment 221 (w/o PreK)
- Budget is balanced
- Lost and Found
- Bus Driver Shortage Continues
 - Doubling up of runs
 - Delays
 - Training requirements are changed
- School Nutrition Program
 - Grant from Province of Alberta
 - \$8000
 - Emergency family support (gift cards for groceries)
 - Class and school functions
 - Emergency Snacks and lunches for students

Safe and Caring

- After school Arrangements
- Come get the scoop - Meet the facility
 - Monday August 29
- Parking information
- Birthday celebrations:
 - birthday treats can once again be shared with classmates
 - Please let teacher know in advance
- Keeping Children Safe - sharing milestones
- Emergency Drills are underway
- Cold Weather protocols will be shared in October

Student Learning Opportunities

- Terry Fox Run - Friday, September 16
- International Dot day
- Swimming lesson update
 - Fountain park will be closed
 - Grosvenor pool will be booked for recreational swims

Student Assessment (Lindsey Pratt)

- Literacy and Numeracy assessments
 - Tailored to specific grade level
 - New curriculum update
 - Teachers learning about classroom instruction, practices and interventions
- Diverse Learning Teacher

- Ms. Jennifer Mark
- Well known to Albert Lacombe school
- Provides literacy, numeracy, social/emotional and behavioural supports
- Flexible groupings available to all grades, 5 days a week
- Music specialist! Music therapy will be provided as well

Preparation for LifeLong Learning, World of Work and Citizenship

- Patrolers are being trained
- Grade 5 kitchen duty assisting with handing out snacks
- Digital Citizenship
 - Grade specific program
 - Must be completed before students are working online

Counselling Services

- Classroom lessons are started in some homeroom classes
- One-on-one supports will soon be available

Faith Formation

- Opening Liturgy - Sept 22
- Sacramental Preparation
- St. Albert Parish Annual Welcome Back weekend Sept 25

Continuous Improvement and Truth and Reconciliation

- National Day for Truth and Reconciliation Sept 29
- Annual food drive - Sacred Heart Parish
- Treaty 6 flags
- School fees finalised
- Bussing: Bus numbers explained

8.2 School Trustee Report

Tabled

8.3 Teacher's Representative (Candace Leis)

- Leadership roles grade %
 - Safety Patrol
 - School lunch helpers
 - Lunch monitors
- Terry Fox run Sept 15
- Counselling program started
- Grade 2: stop/start (freeplay) school morning transition
- Grade 3: Super Improver Wall (whole brain teaching) Goal setting
- Yearbook: looking for a parent/s to help (Mrs. Fedunyk)

- New Teacher Rep each meeting

8.4 Compassionate Friends (Lindsey Pratt)

- Three families have been identified
- School community going through rough times
- \$400 remaining from last year funding to cover these expenses

8.5 Society Enriching Education at Albert Lacombe School Report; Angie Carlson

\$2700 in account to kick off year

Budget will be created once executive elected

Healthy hunger needs to get started for fundraising

Volunteers needed!

Bear wear store will reopen soon!

x 2022-04 - SEEALS Financial Update.xlsx

9. New Business

9.1. Vote in School Council Executive for 2022-23

Natalie Monette put her name forward for Chair. Position acclaimed.

Kirsten Shead put name forward for Vice Chair. Position acclaimed.

Colleen LaForge-Griebel put name forward for Secretary. Position acclaimed.

Recruitment discussion

- Posters, flyers, notes in agenda, school council table at ALL events, PTI, Book fair, etc
- Lindsey pratt suggested contacting other school councils to discuss recruitment strategies
- Marketing in newsletter, ask school community to come forward
- Increase social gatherings
- Potluck
- School council social/tea/donut morning?
- Invite to help decorate/plan halloween dance

9.2 School teacher priority list

School wide subscriptions

Playground bins

9.3 SEEALS -

No business to be completed tonight.

Will wait for new SEEALS executive to be formed

9.4 ATA Stand for Education (Tristan Brass)

- Education needs to be a priority in upcoming election
- Rally bringing together allies for public education
- Stand for Education October 22, 1pm at Alberta Legislature
- Family friendly event, transportation provided

9.5 Update Change on Volunteer application

- Albert Lacombe is moving to a 3 tiered approach to volunteer applications
- First tier:
 - No requirement for criminal records check
 - Declaration accompanied with confidentiality agreement
 - Not work with small groups outside of teacher supervision
 - “one off” volunteering Eg. hot lunch volunteers
- Second tier:
 - Criminal records check and confidentiality agreement
 - Can work with small groups for short periods of time
 - Volunteer for multiple events
- Third tier
 - Full criminal records check, vulnerability check and Confidentiality agreement
 - Work with group of students for longer periods of time outside of teacher supervision
 - Applies to coaching and overnight trips

10. Next meeting – Wednesday October 26, November 23, 2022

11. Meeting adjourned at: 8:47