

Albert Lacombe School Council Meeting
October 26, 2022
Hybrid: Albert Lacombe School and via Zoom

Attendance

Allan Menduk, Natalie Monette, Colleen LaForge-Griebel, Christine Field, Diana Fix, Kerry Kerr

1. Call to Order: 7:00
2. Introductions and welcome
3. Prayer: Shared by Allan Menduk
4. Acknowledgement of Territories: Allan Menduk

5. Approval of Agenda
Natalie motions to approve the agenda with additions 9.3 Christmas artist in residence/community program. Second Colleen LaForge-Griebel

6. Review and Acceptance of minutes from last meeting **Natalie Monette motions to approve minutes, Second Colleen LaForge-Griebel**

7. Business arising from previous minutes
 - 7.1. School/Teacher Priority list
 - Suggestions included:
 - Christmas art \$1000-1500
 - Technology - Brain pop and IXL
 - Library/ Div 1 play house cube - reading centre \$500
 - Portable sink for bears den/option clean up 1200
 - Cultural performances 500 +
 - PE equipment
 - Artist in residence 500 +

8. Reports
 - 8.1. Principals report (Allan Menduk)
 - [School Council Report - October 2022.pdf](#)

General Information

- Budget update: finalised based on student count 221
- Hiring a 1.0 FTE EA
- Increasing teacher FTE by approximately 1.0 to address class sizes for when grade 2 classes come together

- Enter a 50/50 partnership with GSACRD to help cover replacement costs of smart boards

Safe and Caring

- After school arrangements
- Reminder of online safety tips for parents
- School drills are all complete for 2022
- Bear paws and bear den update
- Crossing guards are up and running
- School parking

Student Learning Opportunities

- Outdoor Education option for grade 4,5,6
 - Compass work
 - Knots
 - Survival kits
 - Cooking
- Diverse learning classroom
 - Grade 1-6
 - ESL
 - Div 1 and 2 literacy support
 - Music therapy
 - social/emotional learning
 - Flex blocks - additional help for school work
- Book Fair!
- Halloween
 - Black and orange day or Dress up!
 - No props at school
 - Respect diversity. Culture is not a costume

Student Assessment

- Hybrid parent teacher interviews

Preparation for LifeLong Learning, World of Work and Citizenship

- Counselling Services - Survey in parent emails
- City of St. Albert Student Consultations
 - Workshop with grade 4-6
 - How do we create a welcoming community?

- Naming conventions

Faith

- Sacramental preparation is underway
- Terry Fox run \$500
- Fr. Ed visit school
- Grade 4 bibles given out
- Book of remembrance is available for students, staff, families to honour deceased loved ones
- Youth Pastoral letter shared in Bear Bones

Parent Engagement

- Parent engagement: School messenger has all the information
- Thank you for all parent volunteers for Terry Fox
- Katelyn Brown picking up fruit from Save On Foods
- Thank you to SEEALS for Dinner Oct 18

Continuous Improvement and Truth and Reconciliation

- Treaty 6 and Metis flags
- Thanksgiving food drive collection went to Sacred Heart Parish
- Faculty meeting notes
- Assurance measure: Very good results for our school
 - Citizenship, education quality and parent involvement - very high, top 5 percentile in the province
 - School improvement: Declined significantly (due to COVID restrictions) Still higher than average
 - Work preparation - 100%
 - EA training - 100%

8.2 School Trustee Report

Serena Shaw will be our Trustee this year!

8.3 Teacher's Representative (Kindergarten teacher Ms Christine Field)


- First few months in K are for making routines
- Smaller groups are made with EA support
- Art halloween activities
- Learning something new everyday
- AM 20 PM 9 (Tuesday/Thursday 8 pre K students attend in afternoon)
- Remembrance day celebration upcoming where Gr 1/K is participating

8.4 Compassionate Friends

- Nothing to report

8.5 Society Enriching Education at Albert Lacombe School Report; Natalie Monette

- Vote in SEEALS Executive for 2022-23
 - Angie Carlson has put name forward for treasurer
 - Still looking for president and vice president
- Faculty School Wear (part of Spirit Wear conversation)
- Playground bins
- Appreciate all volunteers
- Halloween dance on Friday Sept 28
- Spirit Wear store open until Oct 28
- Faculty spirit wear - Faculty wants to buy Bear Wear
- Healthy hunger set to start after fall break
- Playground bins - grade 6s surveyed students to find out what specific classes want in their bins. Estimate \$50-\$75 per bin. 9 homerooms including Kindergarten

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 2022-04 - SEEALS Financial Update.xlsx

9. New Business

9.1. Dress Code

- GSACRD is revising the dress code.
- The division supports the establishment and maintenance of clean and acceptable standards for student attire.
- Guiding philosophy is based on the inherent dignity of each individual and honours the freedom of students to choose attire that reflects their unique personality while adhering to the values of our school division.

Additions:

- Standards of attire should not marginalize or discriminate against students and/or staff members based on gender identity, or expression of body-type, ability, socio-economic status, ethnicity, culture, religion, age or race.
- Student attire should be appropriate to the occasion and weather...
- Proper footwear...
- Principal is responsible for informing students and parents of appropriate standards and has authority to require students to change before being re-admitted to class.

9.2. Division Calendar

2023-2024

2024-2025

GSACRD plans in two year intervals

9.3. Artist in Residence/ Christmas Craft

- Staff will discuss and get back to SEEALS about funding needed
- Christmas concert will be in person this year at the parish
- Seating up to 800
- Music specialist in the school will assist with concert plans

10. Next meeting – November 23, 2022

11. Meeting adjourned at: 8:46