

Council Meeting Minutes

Maidstone School Community Council

Tuesday, February 23, 2010
7:00pm, Elementary School Staff Room

Board Members:

Board Members Present: Rod Kalmakoff, , Brennan Becotte, Heather Ferguson, Marie Elder, Trish McLaren, Kerri Robb, Eleanor Pegg, Michele Lundquist, Chandler Wall, Nathan Loomes

Absent: Riley Eggeson, Becky Schmidt, Shelene Blackmer

Others Present: N/A

Proceedings:

Meeting called to order at: 7:08 pm by Eleanor Pegg

Adoption of the minutes from January 2010 as submitted by Heather Ferguson and read by Eleanor Pegg seconded by Michele Lundquist.

Business arising from minutes:

1. Marie contacted Linda and March 24th is good. She usually charges mileage but may not as she is coordinating this presentation with her NWSD work (she will be here working with the secretaries). Marie motions that we provide an honorarium of \$100.00. Kerri seconded. Marie will also call Linda to confirm a time and whether 7:00 pm will work. Brennan will contact Wendy (wellness).

Financial Report Reviewed Hand-out

- Most action in account was regarding SCC BBQ. Exceptions: provincial golf team meal, encounters with Canada sponsorship & the yearly arena remuneration. Also the Survey Monkey fee did not yet appear on the handout.

Principals' Reports provided by Elementary School Principal, Rod Kalmakoff and High School Principal, Brennan Becotte:

Rod (Elementary School report):

Motivational Media is presenting for grades K-5 and grades 5-8. Body image and positive living were to be target messages.

Friday, March 5th- at 10am, winter Carnival will be taking place outside.

Friday, March 5th – Author Sigmund Brouwer will be visiting the library and reading to the students.

March 9th – Skiing at Table Mountain for grades 4-6

March 12th – report cars.

March 16th – PT conference.

Shawn Larson will be joining the SCC and has a diverse background regarding elementary aged children and drugs/alcohol. Two years ago, he was awarded Saskatchewan's Principal of the Year. He will be a welcome addition.

Brennan (High School report):

March 4th at 8pm, Grad vs. Parents/Teachers Hockey game. Lots of fun.

Jasper ski trip is coming up March 18th

Regarding Dewayne Piece – the secretary did not respond as to when he is available.

The 7 Habits of Effective Teens by Gallagher will be tabled for now.

MADD presentation to H.S. was intense/powerful/hit some kids hard.

Multimedia presentation on Thursday, March 4th – The Motivational Media group will present 2x and the targeted messages are positive living, cyber issues and bullying.

Correspondence:

A letter from Sydney Franks regarding Encounters with Canada. She was asking for a small donation to help with the \$650.00 sponsorship amount they are expected to obtain.

New Business:

1. Eleanor will check Pharmacy for a print. If available, she will bill it to the H.S. and then it will be taken from the SCC account.
2. The COLORS personality profile is coming to Maidstone on March 18th. The evening begins at 7pm and will take place at the High School. Colors offers understanding of oneself as well as others and can be used to promote positive communication at work, at home or anywhere! Tickets are available from Heather Ferguson and Kim Newstead.
3. Committee for Survey Monkey

Idea: to put a small survey on the site for parents to get a feel for the process and to obtain feedback. Should we send out a “happy” one first before hitting with the big issue of alcohol and drugs. Discussion included that parents may not want to complete two back to back. It may be good for them to see that we are addressing the issues etc. A decision was made that the first survey will in fact address the drugs and alcohol. It will not be a small sample survey but the one that will give us the feedback we are looking to find.

Survey Monkey has a subscription fee of \$200.00/year. This cost is less than one mail-out through the post office.

The survey tallies and analyses the answers. Point and click answers will be best for this. By the next SCC meeting, the survey will be completed. The survey will be available to SCC members so we can fill it out online prior to the next meeting.

Next meeting scheduled: Tues., March 16th, 2010 @ 7:30pm, High School (Mr. Loomes classroom)

Meeting adjourned by Eleanor Pegg at 8:20pm.

Minutes submitted by Secretary, Heather Ferguson.