

**Date:** Tue March 21st, 2023

**Time:** 7:00 - 8:30 pm

**Location:** Fort McMurray Christian School

**Present:** Geoffrey Bishop, Colleen Dorchak, Christine Gogolinski, Tunde Oladipo, Reina Vangenderen

**Regrets:** Elizabeth Benner

**Chair:** Tunde Oladipo

**Vice-Chair:** Elizabeth Benner

**Secretary:** Colleen Dorchak

1. **Welcome and Call to Order (7:07pm)**
2. **Devotion/Opening Prayer - Geoff**
3. **Review and Approval of Minutes from Feb 21, 2023**
  - a. Adjust title for committee reports to show Junior high and ECDP/KG  
Motion to approve the minutes with adjustments: Christine, Tunde Seconded
4. **Secretary Role - Vote**
  - a. Motion to accept Colleen as Secretary - Tunde, Seconded by Christine, passed.
5. **Actions from Previous Meeting:**
  - a) Colleen to inform if she can take on Secretary role:
    - *Colleen informed Elizabeth and Tunde that she would be able to take on the Secretary role for the remainder of 2022/2023 year.*
  - b) Geoff to set up sessions for Parent Council to attend using The Alberta School Council Engagement Grant
    - *Done set up for April 5th and May 17th*
  - c) Elizabeth to reach out about Freezie Friday
    - *ask at next meeting*
  - d) Colleen to discuss Grade 9 Grad with other parents.
    - *Done, comments in Graduation reports.*
6. **Report: School Administration Report - Principal**
  - a) 234 students, steady
  - b) Starting to receive phone calls about registrations for next year,
  - c) ECDP/KG open houses starting tomorrow and next week. An extra teacher will depend on enrollment. Could be an extra ECDP class or blended ECDP/KG.
  - d) Spelling Bee school wide last week Friday, for it being the first time it went well. Thanks Christine for helping with pictures and medals.
  - e) Science fair in Div 2/ 3. 6 projects are going to regionals this week friday.
  - f) ServeYMM May 12/13, meetings coming up next week for organizers and volunteers.
  - g) Report cards for Elementary come out on Thursday.

- h) We have been having an EA fill in in Grade 1 in the mornings. The pos half time.
- i) ASCA meetings are set up - *April 5th and May 17th 6:30pm - 8pm*. Will be virtual but the plan is to meet at the school. Christine: Open this up to all of the parents if possible? Geoff will ask if there is a limit of the number of people who can attend.
- j) Junior high trip - see additions to agenda
- k) Scheduled JH open house, tentatively May 18th, will potentially be moved due to a long weekend.
- l) Apple school afternoon on June 1st. Working Matthew who is the Apple school rep for division. Hopefully outdoors, kids will go to stations and do things like taste test healthy food. If you get it right you can dump something on the principal, PAWS also invited, Playground stations, General health and wellness type events.
- m) Walk with Jesus event. Sending kids to Northlife Baptist downtown. Doing an easter interactive experience. March 31st. Grades 2-9. Rotation of kids.
- n) Spotlight on students: Grade 2's spearheading with the legacy water foundation.

#### **7. Community Building (Welcoming Committee, Classroom Reps)**

- a. Currently no spearhead person for this. Tabling for next year, let's stick with the projects we currently have running.

#### **8. School Ambassador Program**

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#### **9. Kindergarten - proposed 2 KG classes next year?**

- a. Depends on where the numbers land after open houses. Encourage parents to fill out demographics.

#### **10. Graduations (Grade 6, Grade 9)**

- a. There is some funding from school, society has bought bibles for grads. Lots of them have been really low key, not a lot of funding required.
- b. Geoff - we can manipulate the budget to accommodate.
- c. Joining of Parent and Kids ideas.
- d. Colleen to pass out a survey to parents and students for opinions on Grad.
- e. Somewhat formal events with recognition and awards.
- f. **Grade 6:** Stick with what has been done - Mr. Vanden Pol doing something in his classroom, no need for anything more than that.

#### **11. Fundraising update**

- a. Cookies for Easter running now
- b. Growing smiles coming in May

## **12. Natural Learning Space**

- a. No current update. No new plans.

## **13. Additions to Agenda**

- a. Junior high:
  - End of year trip. Christina Lake, Lac La Biche, Edmonton? Rent a bus to somewhere, funding required. THoughts on funding: Suncor/Syncrude grants to help, Student Union money.
  - Potential for to tag on to ServeYMM a sleepover for the Grade 9s at Evergreen.
  - Geoff is continually meeting with district to discuss budget for Junior High.
  - Missions trips - build on each grade, plan to have something together for the open house.
  
- b. Tunde - Kids do appreciate the out of classroom experiences, thanks Geoff for continually organizing these activities. Geoff - is continually trying to find different field trip type things. Reina - remembers a Christmas Serve event at the Soup kitchen, rotary house, singing in peter pond mall etc.

## **14. Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 18, 2023 at 7:00 pm**

- a. **May meeting moved from May 16th at 7pm to May 17th at 6:00pm, food will be provided.**

## **15. Call to Adjourn (8:18pm)**

- a. Geoff motions to adjourn, Reina Seconds.

### **Future Projects/Ways to be involved:**

- Community Building (Welcoming Committee, Classroom Reps)
- School Ambassador Program

### **Tabled Until Next Meeting**

- Bulletin board update.

