



# School Council Minutes

<b>Date</b>	February 26, 2013
<b>In Attendance</b>	Tara Van Dellen, Joanne Hazelaar, Jeanne White, Nicole VanLangen, Don Mackin, Desiree Gilmour, Darryl Wick, Ken McKee, Allison McKee, Kristen Corbett, Kathy Charchun, Melissa Gleeson, Judy VanAmerongen, Kelly Hall, Lashauna Smith, Jas Schmirler

## General Business

<b>Start Time</b>	6:37 p.m.
<b>Approval of Agenda</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Additions – Change Mental Health Conversation to start of agenda</li> <li>• Approved by Tara . Seconded by Nicole</li> </ul>
<b>Minutes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Errors/Omissions - none</li> <li>• Approved by: Judy Seconded by Darryl</li> </ul>

## Discussion Items

<b>Mental Health Conversations</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Natalie Toone’s presentation – Natalie felt it went well and kids responded well. Kids were talking about the presentation days after. Natalie would be willing to come to talk to staff. Kathy will follow up.</li> <li>• Melissa Gleeson (FSLC) – reported on a meeting with Claresholm Mental Health agency. Topics were: appropriate referrals, improved communication, how to support families in referral processes, alignment/summary of services available in our area, therapist indicated that he has access to a child psychiatrist that could be accessed, talk therapy is offered at Claresholm clinic, support for children is family based therapy, Bonnie does some art therapy, restrictions on intake are being placed on Mental Health therapists, when parents and children are referred to Mental Health we should talk about an assessment rather than a referral.</li> <li>• Our community needs are changing.</li> <li>• Sub committee – Melissa, Nicole, Ken, Jas, Jeanne, Kathy, Allison. Jeanne will coordinate this group to meet.</li> </ul>
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<b>One School One Book</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Started yesterday.</li> <li>• Please let us know if you have any questions or suggestions.</li> </ul>
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<b>ASCA Conference</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jeanne is interested in attending the conference April 26-28. \$500 is available for expenses from LRSD School Division.</li> </ul>
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<b>Movies at lunch time</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lashauna Smith – risks of too much TV, research relating eating and watching TV, sensitivity that some families allow/disallow different shows in their homes.</li> <li>• School Council has asked WMES school to become aware of the issues of eating and watching videos.</li> <li>• Recommendation:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Be aware of selection of shows shown to kids and don’t show videos during lunch.</li> <li>○ School Council would like to see a school procedure put in place.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Kathy will take this research information to staff for their feedback and bring back to school council.</li> <li>• Playing classical music is a suggestion. School Council members will research</li> </ul>
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	alternatives to lunch videos while also finding some time for teachers.
<b>Trustee Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Health Readiness Grant – an assessment of entire school division to look at all school health. (food, videos, etc). A committee will be set up with 22 people – 1 person from each school and a community health rep.</li> <li>• Board is waiting to hear about the grant. The money will pay for the committee to meet and complete assessment.</li> <li>• Feb 12 – Last board meeting. Funding allocation formula has been changed for 2013-14. Projected enrollment shows another 3.4% decline across the jurisdiction. Hopefully administrators have been conservative in their projections and decline won't be as severe. In the process of having a First Nations Council to receive advise from – made up of parents, elders and students from Blood &amp; Peigan reserves.</li> <li>• LRSD Satisfaction surveys will be available for Gr 3-6 students, all staff, all parents.</li> </ul>
<b>Resource Fair</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nicole – 15 confirmed groups attending the 3 Way Conferences.</li> </ul>
<b>Volunteer Survey</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jeanne would like to have parents fill out a survey to see in what capacity they can volunteer at the school. Jeanne is going to organize this for 3 Way Conferences.</li> </ul>
<b>Community Rep Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No report</li> </ul>
<b>Principal Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reviewed Fundraising Society criteria</li> </ul>
<b>Adjournment</b>	
<b>Next Meeting</b>	March 19 6:30 ASCA resolutions, WMES 2012-14 calendar
<b>Adjournment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adjourned by Tara . Time – 8:29</li> </ul>