



# School Council Minutes

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| <b>Date</b>                                    | March 19, 2013   |
| <b>In Attendance</b>                           | Kelly, Charlene, Jas, Judy, Tania, Kathy   |
| <b>General Business</b>                        |  |
| <b>Start Time</b>                              | 6:35   |
| <b>Approval of Agenda</b>                      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Additions – none</li> <li>• Approved by Judy    Seconded by Tania</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Minutes</b>                                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Errors/Omissions - none</li> <li>• Approved by Judy    Seconded by Tania</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Discussion Items</b>                        |  |
| <b>One School One Book</b>                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In our last week of the book.</li> <li>• Positive feedback from parents</li> <li>• Final assembly on Friday at 9:00 a.m. Local press invited, Bob Whitehead is the guest speaker reading the last chapter, students will be reading their reflections, slideshow. Everyone is invited.</li> <li>• Parent feedback: Gr 3 student loves it, Gr 5 student is not interested</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Movies at Lunch update</b>                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kathy reported that teachers will not be showing videos at lunch.</li> <li>• Teachers are open to other ideas. Administration will ensure that teachers only have supervision one of the 20 minutes blocks at lunch time next year.</li> <li>• Table suggestions from School Council to next meeting</li> </ul>   |
| <b>2013-14 Calendar</b>                        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All parents present were in favor of the modified calendar as presented. Kathy will send the calendar out to other parent council members for feedback to be due back by Monday, March 25.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Resolutions</b>                             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 13-1 In favor</li> <li>• 13-2 In favor</li> <li>• 13-3 In favor</li> <li>• 13-4 In favor</li> <li>• 13-5 In favor</li> <li>• 13-6 Not in favor</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Benefits of Extra Curricular Activities</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School council will support and encourage extra curricular activities in the school by using various resources inside and out of the school.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Mental Health Sub Committee Report</b>      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stephen Harris, Assistant Superintendent reported on the <i>Regional Collaborative Service Delivery Model</i> – The Alberta Government said that Alberta Health, CFSA &amp; Education need to start working together. This model would be a totally integrated model. The CEO's of all these organizations are meeting to see what the service model would look like. The model could possibly include AH, CFSA &amp; community schools to sit at the same table and talk about current needs in the community and collaborate how to support those needs. How would the services be structured. Process must be flexible and responsive to current needs.</li> </ul> |

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|                         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WMES School Council will ask Kathy Olmstead, Assistant Superintendent to give us an update on the model in June or September. It is supposed to be ready to role out September 2013.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Trustee Report</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reduction of 2.5% in LRSD budget</li> <li>• AISI funding has been dropped.</li> <li>• Learning Resource Credit discounts have been discontinued</li> <li>• Fuel tax has been eliminated</li> <li>• 0% increase to base funding for next 3 years</li> <li>• Declining enrollment continues to be a problem</li> <li>• 7% decrease in Plant Operations &amp; Maintenance budget</li> <li>• Question was asked: Are small schools like Stavely &amp; Granum kept open? Conversations with municipalities (CNP, Granum, Fort Macleod) are happening as part of board priority 2 (Engagement &amp; conversations with municipalities). Not looking at feasibility of Granum &amp; Stavely at this point. There are conversations with Granum Town about how the school can be used in the community. School Board &amp; Municipalities are looking to find ways to bolster rural Alberta in Livingstone Range.</li> <li>• Ian Stewardson is principal at WCCHS next year. Ronalee Orr will be principal of the Colonies.</li> <li>• Canada Wide Science Fair is in Lethbridge this year. Field trips are available. School tour dates in May. Presentation done at the Board table.</li> <li>• Instructional materials &amp; supplies fees: It has been recommended by the Board that these fees remain the same. \$40 for Elementary students and \$10 technology fee.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Community REp</b>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Almost finished budgeting process. All the cuts hurt!!</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Principal Report</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bill Belsey will be contacted again in June to book a date in Sept/Oct for the K-3 presentation "It's Cool to Care". Fundraising Society has approved \$500 for this program.</li> <li>• Submit a request to Fundraising Society for the Gr 4-9 "Be The Change" program by Bill Belsey</li> <li>• FCSS have contributed money toward the motivational media program "Heart of a Champion" for November 2013. There will be three presentations: K-6, Grade 7-9 and Grade 10-12. Granum, Stavley and WCCHS will also be participating.</li> <li>• Natalie Toone has agreed to do a presentation to staff about strategies for Autistic Children. Kathy will contact her after PD committee meets.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Adjournment</b>      |  |
| <b>Next Meeting</b>     | April 16 at :30  |
| <b>Adjournment</b>      | • Adjourned by Tania Time – 8:15 pm  |