

Lorne Akins Junior High School

School Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday November 21, 2017, 7:00 pm

Attendance:

Graham Jackson	Dan Wiles	Brad Shmyr	Kim Armstrong
Roger Scott	Kathy Dyrland	Natalie Visscher	Tracy Moric
Darren Moric	Amanda Hargreaves	Steve Hargreaves	

1.0 Agenda is adopted as circulated (Tracy Moric Kathy Dyrland)

2.0 October 17, 2017 minutes adopted as circulated (Motion-Kathy Dyrland, Tracy Moric)

3.0 Teacher of The Month (Brad Shmyr)

Breakout Edu, (similar concept as an “escape room”) gives the students a clue and a link to solve a 45 minute puzzle. The puzzle is linked to class content and as the student works to solve the puzzle they unlock more clues (given in boxes).

4.0 District Initiatives (Kelly Armstrong)

- 4.1** It is told that St. Albert has for four returning and one new Trustee, Stanley Haroun. Public Board meeting will be held every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month.
- 4.2** Information is given regarding Grade 6 and 9 PAT results as well as Grade 12 Diploma Exams. Results are included into Districts annual report and Provincial Accountability Pillar.
- 4.3** Being that we are in a culture of continuous improvement a review of various policies are being put forth for approval to be reviewed. Policies up for review are as follows: discrimination and harassment, use of personal and district vehicles, flags and protocols, policies for ASBA and PSBA.
- 4.4** Information is received about Classroom Improvement Fund part of the provincially negotiated teacher contract; a little over \$900,00 was distributed to the schools; November 8th certificate of recognition to district staff or community member; mentorship program and benefits; Report on enhancing instructional practice (literacy, numeracy, and student engagement; New team at district off to assist school. Bill 24 provincial legislation regarding

RSA's and sharing information with parents; COSC information next meeting TR January 11 from 7 – 9 p.m. April 16 information evening for parents with David Irvine; looking at a process consultation for input about hiring the new superintendent.

5.0 L.A. Happenings

5.1 See handout

6.0 New Business

6.1 Recording Secretary (to be announced)

6.2 Modular Addition

Modular received occupancy last Friday.

6.3 Technology

Technology change in focus from spending an hard work to things that enhance practice.

6.4 Stakeholder Workshop

Stakeholder Workshop will be Wednesday January 31, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. reps at the next meeting.

6.5 Attendance Practice

Attendance is now taken every Period.

6.6 Staff Meeting

It is received that the format will be changing for next year.

6.7 Parent Communication

It is mentioned that sign, website, newsletter, Parent Portal, School Messenger, Phone out, and emails are all available for communication between school and home.

7.0 Topics for Future Meetings (G. Jackson)

December: Parenting an Adolescent – Organizational strategies for teens.

8.0 Adjournment 7:58 pm