

Penson School Parent Council Meeting

Date: October 20, 2010

In Attendance:

Christine Schlief, Roxanne Gulick, Trina Wright, Tanya Frith, Rhonda Fedchuk, Jody Kettlye, Katherine Soderholm-Martell, Cynthia Engler and Donna Smith

1. Review agenda

The agenda was reviewed.

2. Minutes from last meeting

2.1- The minutes from the last meeting were reviewed and approved. Parents and teachers are reminded that the minutes are available on the school website as well in the school office.

2.2- Milk Program- The milk program is up and running again through the Grovedale General Store.

2.3- Nutrition Policy- Don has it however he was unable to attend this meeting. The pop is sold out of the vending machine and has been replaced with water and juice.

2.4- Code of Conduct- This has been completed and Don will be bringing with him to the next parent council meeting.

2.5- Fire and Lockdown Drills- These have been started and are ongoing.

2.6- Music Program- Teachers are wondering if BINGO money can be used to purchase instruments, however there were no teachers present at the meeting to discuss. Parent council would like to know if it would be possible to get a music teacher that could float between a few Peace Wapiti schools. Parent Council agreed not to purchase any instruments/supplies until we know exactly when/if a music program begins.

2.7- Cameras- The teachers purchased cameras (4 cameras for \$550.00) and have submitted their receipts to parent council. Roxanne to discuss this with Don.

2.8- At the next parent council meeting council would like to be presented with documentation on what and who a council is suppose to consist of, and the duties and responsibilities. Also, an outline structure of how a meeting is to be structured.

3.0 Trustee Report- Christine Schlieff

3.1- Christine thanked everyone for their support at the election.

3.2- The E4 Framework is Essential Elements of Excellent Education and is intended to inspire education. They are wanting feedback right now because the School Act is currently being redone now. It hasn't been reviewed since the 1900s. There are online surveys that can filled out.

3.3- Christine is a Zone 1 rep on the Regional Health Team. This team meets to plan action to take on the epidemic numbers of childhood diabetes, over weight and lack of exercise. Health and Education are trying to communicate to conquer these health issues. We will be seeing Alberta Health more and more in our schools over the years. Nutrition Resource Kit lesson plans for K-9 will be distributed to each health teacher.

3.4- There are 3 new trustees on the Board.

4.0 Principal Report- absent

5.0 Treasurers Report- No change

6.0 PWSD Policy of the Month- Conflict Resolution. Roxanne read it aloud. It is available on school website. Comments to be submitted via email by Nov 15, 2010.

7.0 Joint Council Meeting- this meeting is next Tuesday in Sexsmith. It is from 6-8 PM. Roxanne asked if anyone was interested in attending. Trina Wright and Roxanne Gulick will be attending the meeting. They meet twice a year and these meetings are packed full of information. Some of the topics to be covered this meeting:

- Online resources for your child
- Nutrition policy
- Why are Dipoma exams worth 50%?
- How you can transform education.
- Grad attire
- Can parents subscribe to get school newsletter online?
- Demo on how to use school email

8.0 Alberta School Council Association- They meet annually in April. Ideas are to be submitted by December 10, 2010.

9.0 Fundraising- (since the school was not opened on time the fundraising mtg was held during this meeting)

9.1- Hotdog Sale raised- \$170.00 and Dennis Hominiuk donated \$420.00 to the playground fund.

10.0 Playschool

10.1- Playschool- Is still up in the air. Roxanne to talk to Christina Golnick and report back at next meeting.

Next Meeting- Nov 17, 2010 at 7:00PM

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:15PM