

MMH School Council

Date: Sept 12, 2023

Time: 6:30 pm

Place: Learning Commons

Agenda/Minutes

Call to order - 7:18pm

Welcome and Introductions: Introductions done in AGM

Approval of Agenda: Motion: Jodi
Second: Ashley

Principal's Report:

- Staggered entry was very successful
- Numbers down a bit
- 620ish - Over capacity
 - Just spoke to person in charge of new schools
 - Garry Station opening 2025-26
 - Predicted to drop enrollment to 400
- Average class size is 22
- Bret Jesse - into grade 5
- Kayley Roth - grade 4
- Sophie T - grade 2
- Jenn R - Kindergarten
- Heather N - Kindergarten
- Things are looking really good, good numbers
- Professional Learning
 - Developing school wide positive behaviour supports
 - Structures in place to support kids
 - How to walk in the hall - line ups, how we move, consistent through all grades
 - Bathrooms - what we do
 - Recess supports - range of kids from best part of the day, to kids that hate recess because it's so busy
 - Adults that may be arranging structured games
 - Learning commons club for kids that struggle with being outside with 300 kids - chess, shelve books, STEM activity
 - We assume kids know how to play in 2 or 3 - but when you send out a bunch of kids that can result in arguments

- Positive recognition
 - Tried to break up the recesses - but, in order to get music class, time off for teachers, and cover supervision, and 29 classroom schedules.
- Re-3
 - Organics, refundables, mixed recyclables, garbage
 - Working to teach kids how to use them
 - Division has been supportive - website, videos
 - How to keep school clean and pest free
 - Kids have picked it up well and supporting each other
 - Teacher team to create a re-3 hero program - nominated and a certificate, cape, and pictures posted
- October will have more upcoming events
- Toonies for Terry collection occurring
 - Terry Fox Walk with all west side elementary schools walk around Nicholas Sheran Park.
- Reconciliation Run - 18th-29th
 - Challenging kids and staff to run and match or beat the mileage of those that ran across the country
- What did school not have paid for fees last year
 - Unknown - probably not high
 - Payment plans can be arranged
 - Fees are pretty low comparatively

Committee Reports:

- *Hot Lunch -*
 - Ashley Bourassa
 - Took over at end of September last year - some guidance from people before
 - All dates were already booked and contacted last year, and prices listed
 - Did not make any money last year
 - Hoping to change that this year
 - All dates from Kerry
 - In Contact with places, but not all have their price lists
 - Extra money has gone to hot dog day at the end of the year.
 - Change in credit card fee charges - it did not get included in the price - therefore if the cost is \$4, and we charge \$4.50, the additional \$0.50 did not go to those days, because it was paying for the credit card fees.
 - Booster juice (lunch with wraps), little cesars pizza, Edo, Subway
 - Will all be put on online to purchase ahead of time
 - October 17-18 is first date
 - Will coordinate better to ensure she has help
 - Lunch Box by School Cash Online - does all of the work for you and pay Healthy Hunger
- *Special Events - call on people for those events when we need help.*

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- *Staff Appreciation - what ways can we thank the teachers. Any unique ideas?*
 - Michelle Hood
 - Approximately 60 teachers and staff
 - Something small every other month - 5 times
 - Dropped off a thank you, token of appreciation to the office to distribute
- *Division School Council - 1st Monday every month*
 - Danica
 - October 2nd
- *Social Media - FB Mike Mountain Horse Parent Committees*
 - Ashley Bourassa
 - Please interact with it
 - Sharing information from the school and division as well as free community events
 - Society related things like fundraisers - Kaira does.

Treasurer's Report:

- We will discuss this year's budget at the October meeting.

Old Business Carried From Last Month:

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New Business

- Move council meeting day to Wednesday/Thursday Evening or first or third Tuesday
 - 1st Tuesday of the month - next is October 3rd at 6:30pm

Discussion Items from Attendees:

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Trustee Report (If Trustee is Present)

- Christine Light assigned to MMH this year.
- Job to share info from school board level
- Elect our chair() and Vice Chair (Genny Steed)
- Help support and direct
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Board Meeting Highlights:

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Future Meeting Dates:

- October 3rd
- November 7th
- January 9th
- February - Probably not
- March - 5th
- April - 9th

- May - 7th
- June - 4th

Adjournment (Motion Required)

Motion: Sheena

Second: Laura

In Attendance:

Sarah, Indie, Megan, Kaira, Kerry, Jodi, Ashley, Sheena, Megan, Kayla, Josephine, Tiffany, Danica, Michelle, Laura, Caleen