Draft School Council Meeting Minutes June 17,2024

Call to order: 5:45pm

Agenda Approval: Alice, Melissa seconded, no additions

May Minutes Approval: Crystal, Alice seconded

Administrative Report: Aaron Chute, Adriana DeLuca

- Pride week went over well, all about inclusion and acceptance

- Kids loved KONA! Thanks again to SHSFA for providing this treat!

- Rugby season wrapped up, great to have different sports offered

- Seeing an increase in school tours of prospective students, and not just kinder ages, which is good news and means word is getting out about our offerings here at SHS

- June 27th is awards day at SHS, 9am book awards start for all grades, and then following will be junior high awards

- HeroIQ is coming into the school to do a soccer session with the kids that signed up, capped at 24 kids, but a lot of interest!

- There was some new property damage last night. A goal post got knocked down next to the tennis/bball courts. Won't be replaced.

- Playground sand issue will be discussed more in the new school year, as more questions need to be answered before proceeding

- Parent class requests have been coming in, again, nothing is guaranteed, but admin does their best to accommodate

- Class lists won't be released until just before school begins in August

- An exciting addition in the new year will be paid lunch hour supervisors! This is offered to all schools in the division. The cost will be added onto school fees at the beginning of the year. Somewhere around \$60/child for the year. (approximately 7 supervisors for 1 hour each day)

- Huge thank you to Christine for taking over the hot lunch program and doing an amazing job! You'll be missed!

- Garden boxes that went in are being enjoyed by the students and look great! Thanks to SHSFA for funding them!

- The new kindergarten shoe bins look wonderful and make the front entrance much more neat and tidy. Students took notice! Thanks again SHSFA for purchasing.

- The 5-9 academy selections will be made known on Friday

 Aaron wants to say thanks to all, as he is leaving for a new Principal opportunity for the 24-25 school year. He appreciates all the support from families and staff, as well as, the challenges/concerns brought forth by parents trying to better the school experience for the students.

Teacher Report: Shayla McRitchie

- Tannis(Librarian) wants to acknowledge SHSFA for their support in revitalizing the library. She can't say thanks enough to the countless volunteer hours helping her out, as well as the funding to help her vision come to fruition. There's new storage cabinets, shelves, bins, BOOKS, seating, tables, displays, and signage! She'd love to host something in the fall to show everyone the new space!

- Primary: Sports Day today was going well, but the afternoon had to be cancelled due to the weather. Will try to continue on Thursday. Kids were having a blast! Thanks to all the volunteers!
- Elementary: Grade 4 ABC Year End Countdown, Grade 3 are having fun days in June, 5/6C & 5W went to the Art Gallery and library downtown, Grade 5 is going to Lois Hole Park for the day, Grade 6 pizza lunch & fun day and Grade 5/6 Readers Theatre went well.
- Lots of year end field trips going on for all classes.

- Mrs. Forcade gave a Fine Arts Academy recap. The inaugural year was a great success. They went on 14 field trips (art gallery, Citadel, Winspear, recording studio, confection cake, etc.), had multiple guests come in and showcase their skills (graphic designer, photographer, vocal coach, social media manager, etc.) as well as numerous in class events (photography centres, clay kits, and cookie decorating).

- Still looking for volunteers for the junior high Lions Park and Fort Edmonton field trips

Trustee Report: Trish

- Budget came out, no questions from those in attendance
- New policy about electronic device usage from the government, school boards and divisions can implement how they see fit, as well as consequences. More to come in the new school year.

- Please know that your feedback is heard, case in point school lunch hour supervision. Continue to bring forth concerns because it does matter.
- Big thank you to Aaron for leading us these last 3 years, he's fostered great relationships and we will miss him!

SHSFA Report:

- Bank balance currently \$24,065.02, more items to come out before the end of the year. Should be in the \$5-7000 range by year end. Today's dollars for today's kids.

Parent Representative Updates:

Kindergarten(Amy) - no news

Primary(Christine) - no news, but Thank You to everyone for your help and support, sad to be leaving but will continue to be available if anyone needs help.

Elementary(Stephanie) - not present, no news

Junior High(Lisa) - junior high students brought forth a request for a year end dance, and just to have a few other opportunities to get together solely as a junior high. Look into new possibilities/ideas for junior high students in the new year.

New Business: nothing new

<u>Old Business</u>: Bye to Aaron, and a huge "Thanks" for being so engaged with the students and families. Definitely will miss your energy around the school next year!

Next Meeting: September 23, 2024 at 5:30pm (AGM)

Adjournment: 6:51pm