

Sturgeon Heights School Council Meeting

February 12th, 2024

Attendees:

In-Person:

Aaron Chute, Adriana DeLuca, Trish Murray-Elliott, Shayla McRitchie, Sara Townsend, Crystal Belanger, Cheryl Reiter, Alice Funk, Stephanie Cordova, Krista Simis, Christine McMurren, Natalija Smijulj, Lyndsey Baron, Gale Katzenback

On-Line Attendees:

Melissa Knezacek, Lisa Rosales, Mervit Siffledeen

Call to Order: 17:34

Treaty 6 Land Acknowledgement: 17:33 – Cheryl Reiter

Additions to Agenda: Supervision of the schoolyard during recess

Approval of Agenda: Alice, Crystal

Approval of Minutes - January 15, 2024: Cheryl, Crystal

Administrative Report: Adriana DeLuca

- SAIF and "Healthy relationships and problem solving" session for grades 4 6 have been happening in the school.
- ICE Presentation April 10, at 5PM preregistration will come out soon
- There will be significant increase in supervision during the recesses.
- We are excited that a Public Health student, who is also a nurse, will be joining us soon. Please check her app "Give for good". Give For Good is a charity donation platform that invests your gift amount in green and social stocks. You choose one or more charities and every year afterwards these charities get the interest from your invested gift amount — forever!

Aaron Chute

- This week our children can enjoy "Book tasting event" at the school library
- Kindergarten open house was a huge success, there is a possibility of a full time kindergarten, please check your emails this week, additional cost will be 320\$ per month.
- Our students do land acknowledgment on Mondays, which is a very positive thing
- Outdoor Learning going very well and will expand to grade 4
- Parent/teacher interview will be on 19th and 20th March
- Our dear Dorothy is leaving on March 31. The custodial team terminated the contract. Full time custodial services will be available as always

- We've been discussing communication issues between parents and the school, the best way is to go to the teachers first, transparency works both ways
- Jr High Academies going well
- School Wide Open House April 11th, 5 7pm

Teacher's Report: Shayla McRitchie

- Grade 3 teachers are very thankful for your donations
- More information are coming out regarding Telus field trip
- Swimming Lessons are running, going great!
- 100 days of school is coming up
- Art academy children are doing photo classes
- February 28th is a Pink shirt day
- Jr High is doing hockey
- We've got an amazing feedback on Bonhomme festival, it was a huge success

Trustee Report:

Community Engagement Sessions continue throughout February and early March. Thank you to all who attended in Camilla on January 16.

Pre-K and K open houses at the end of January and throughout February. Sturgeon Heights was Jan. 30.

Registration for the 2024-2025 school year opened February 5.

Alberta Education Survey will be administered between January and March to students in Grades 4, 7 and 10 and their parents as well as all teachers. Please fill out survey as your feedback is very important to us.

Sturgeon Heights Fundraising Association (SHFA) Report: Alice Funk

No fund raising as per now. We have 20,481\$ in the budget. Some funds have been spend on the Athletic room.

Parent representative

Kindergarten Rep: Sara

Kindergartens are doing yoga sessions, playing in the forest

Primary Rep (Gr 1-3): Christine Kids are enjoying swimming lessons

Elementary Rep (Gr 4-6): Stephanie

N/A

Junior High Rep: Lisa

-Few concerns came from students regarding bathroom cleanliness and some bathroom doors need lock replacements

-Some parents are not aware that we have Wellness coaches, mental health is very important we believe, the main purpose of the coaches is to train our stuff, so once the funding ends they would do a proper job regarding this matter

New Business: Sara

Supervision at the school yard

Old Business:

ASCA Grant Update

Sturgeon Heights Hosting COSC on March 7th, 5:30 - 7pm, babysitting will be available

Next Meeting: Monday, March 18th, 2024

5:30pm online and in person with childcare available

Meeting Adjourned: 6:44pm *minutes taken by Natalija Smijulj

Future Meeting Dates:

March 18th

April 15th

*May 13th

June 17th