

Sturgeon Heights School Council

February 10th, 2020 meeting.

10 present

Guest chair – Melissa Knezacek

1. Call to order
2. Introductions
3. Additions/Approval of Agenda
 - No additions
4. Approval of Minutes
 - November minutes approved 1st – Stephanie Cordova
2nd – Karla Boddez
 - January minutes approved 1st – Crystal Belanger
2nd – Cheryl Reiter
5. New Business – none
6. Administrative Report – Shannon C. Requa
 - Accountability Pillar Survey – sent via mail to grade 4 and grade 7 families. Families then have the option to mail back the paper survey or complete on line. Parents are being encouraged to complete.
 - Wi-Fi – Tech. department is doing upgrades. Increasing the number of wireless hubs throughout the school. This should result in consistent Wi-Fi serve starting as early as tomorrow. Grateful for the investment in tech. needs.
 - Letter of Intent – current numbers are 534 students for next year. Currently 550 students. Numbers include Early Childhood. There is a small decrease due to smaller number entering school and a larger number leaving, not due to existing families leaving, which is positive. Some transitioning from grade 6 to grade 7 to other schools but fewer than traditionally.
 - Open House – another open house will be held for Jr. High. Date still to be determined.
 - Sport for Life Academy - Flight School. First year has gone well. Expecting that there will be enough interest to run Sport for Life Academy next year. May be limited spots and may need to be on a first come, first serve basis. Maximum capacity 30 students.
 - Reminder – **Choose Kindness** Pink T-shirt day, Wednesday February 26th, 2020!
7. Trustee Report – Trish Murray-Elliot
 - Accountability Study – strong results. Trish acknowledged the strong Administrative Team at Sturgeon Heights.
 - Looking at introducing new courses.
 - Public School Board Association – Danielle Smith presented. Danielle Smith spoke about how modest cuts need to occur now or larger cuts later. Government of Alberta would like to see standardized testing to ensure that everyone is learning the same material.
 - Trish advised that Board Meetings are open to the public.

8. Teacher Report – Amy Cornett

- Hot lunches – parents have asked Amy why hot lunches are always on Thursday, as the Monday and Wednesday Kindergarten are not able to participate. PFA advised that they would be open to looking at adding in hot lunches, but modifying dates that are already set would be labour intensive.

9. Parent Fundraising Association – general overview provided. More detailed report will be given during PFA meeting, which will follow School Council meeting

- Pancake Lunch – February 25th, 2020. Letter coming out tomorrow, February 11th, 2020.

10. Old Business – none

11. Classroom Reports

- ECE – Head Start and PEP – started swimming.
- Kindergarten – Students trying new foods.
- Primary – Discussion around Valentine's cards. Positive aspects of the thoughtfulness around individualized cards was discussed as well as how this was a change for students as they were not able to provide cards to every student, in some classes.
- Elementary – Grade 4 – electronic workshops
Grade 5 – Royal AB Museum
Grade 6 – DARE
- Jr. High – Flight School – Curling – lots of fun for all
Snap Chat – Shannon Requa has put in request to I.T. around having Snap Chat filtered. Instagram already filtered.
Teachers are aware and monitoring.

12. Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.