

# Sturgeon Heights Parent Council

October 22, 2019

Present: 14

## 1) Agenda

Tim circulated the agenda. **Lyndsey moved to accept the agenda as circulated. Catherine seconded. Carried.**

## 2) Minutes

**Stephanie moved to accept the minutes as circulated. Laura seconded. Carried.**

Katie will send minutes out to those who attend from now on.

## 3) Admin Report

As Mrs. Requa was absent, the admin report was presented by Ms. Trombley. A summary of the Accountability Pillar was circulated and discussed. The 3-year plan will be presented at the November meeting. Three Fire drills have been completed and were all very successful. Hour Zero was discussed, which is a division wide emergency preparedness plan that is cohesive across the division, a guide regarding this plan was circulated to those gathered. Inclement weather policy change is that children will now go outdoors until the weather reaches -25 with the wind chill. There are three student teachers at SHS from now until Christmas. SHS needs a coach from the community for the junior high boys team. Upcoming Events are available via the school calendar online.

## 4) Trustee

Trish Murray Elliot presented the trustee report. The provincial budget doesn't come out until October 24, so the budget the division created a working budget to begin the school year with and depending on what the budget looks like some changes could come down. The school council gathering will be attended by Laura Brackett, our Vice Chair, next Monday. There will be more information coming from the province about Choice in Education and that may well effect future planning within the division as well. The floor was opened to questions, more questions were asked about Choice in Education.

## 5) PFA Report

Crystal presented the PFA Report, a main focus of the meeting today will be discussing fundraising goals for this school year.

## 6) Teacher Report

Mrs. Hoffman presented the teacher report. Grade 5-9 went on a field trip to TWOSE today. Please send in photos of family in military, active or past for the slide show. The Halloween Carnival looking for items and volunteers, contact Mrs. Holmes.

## 7) Old Business

Nothing tabled.

8) New Business

Tim received an email from the school board, the school board chair would like to attend the January to present about the Namao Lagoon to our Parent Council. The school division is involved in a court battle costing the division a significant amount of money and this is something of concern division wide.

9) Classroom reports

ECE: (Presented by Cheryl Reiter) Positive comments about how welcoming and friendly the school is, there was a lot of positive response to the Terry Fox run and the buddy system, conversation was had about retention

Kindergarten: (Presented by Stephanie Cordova) Kindergarten had a major shift in programming this year, with now only having only full day kindergarten offered, field trip this coming Friday

Primary: (Presented by Stephanie Cordova and Catherine McQuade) the reps have circulated their names to the teachers they represent, grateful that the portables are completed, questions about grade 3's waiting outside in the mornings now that new exterior doors are completed especially those walking younger kids to school to other entrances or for parents with multiple children now needing to pick up at multiple places,

Elementary: (Presented by Melissa Knezacek) Melissa sent an email through the office to all the parents of grade 4/5/6 and has received 2 parent emails. Melissa will be bringing some of these questions to Mrs. Requa. A request was made for an option to pre-pay for all field trips at once early in the year rather than individually over the course of the year, this is something to consider.

Jr High: (Presented by Lyndsey Baron and Karla Boddez) Jr High participated in the TWOSE field trip today, Flight School is going well (Rec academy), Most feedback this year has been really positive, Google classrooms are all working well, Love Ms. Loh in junior high

10) Next Meeting

November 18, 2019

11) Adjournment

Tim adjourned at 7:25

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Katie Richter, Secretary Sturgeon Heights School Council*