

J. T. FOSTER SCHOOL COUNCIL

Meeting Minutes January 21, 2021

Present

Via Zoom - Roger, Joel, Brad Toone, Daryl Segin, Mida, Kayla, Robyn, Cindy

Opening

Kayla called the meeting to order at 6:02pm

Approval of Agenda & Minutes

Cindy moved to approve the agenda Mida second Robyn approved minutes from last meeting Cindy second

Reports

• Treasurer: Casino expenses in Oct/Nov were bursary, furniture & climbing wall supplies

Totals as of Dec 31/20

- \$564.82 Regular account
- \$5,854.22 Savings account
- \$14,841.19 Casino account
- Trustee: Brad Toone spoke about Board of Trustees Key Messages
 - (1) LRSD Fact Sheet on Reserves The Board of Trustees approved the LRSD Fact Sheet on Reserves based on the 2020 Audited Financial Statements. The LRSD Fact Sheet on Reserves is a document that summarizes the financial reserves held by the LRSD and identifies where they have been designated. LRSD reserves are reviewed on an annual basis after the completion of the Audited Financial Statements.
 - (2) International Education Chad Kuzyk, Associate Superintendent, Curriculum & Innovation presented an International Education update to the Board of Trustees. Due to COVID our International Student enrolment is substantially lower than normal. Government Protocols are strict but the amazing International Education team has been able to meet if not exceed the protocols/restrictions and have 19 enrolments for the 2020-21 school year. Upon their arrival all students will have to adhere to all quarantine and health guidelines.
 - (3) Inclusive Education Lisa Furukawa, Director of Learning (Support Services) presented to the Board on Inclusive Education throughout the division. The Director of Learning portfolio includes, but is not limited to, Learning Support, Early Learning, Behavior Support, (FNMI) First Nation, Metis And Inuit, English Second Language, (SWCSS) South West Collaborative Support Services and Teacher Evaluations. Inclusion Education aims to include all students with disabilities into our classrooms by emphasizing how these placements can be meaningful and purposeful. Why Inclusive Education? We get to teach our next generation Every student, every day.
 - (4) 2021 Election Shared Ballots The Board of Trustees approved the returning officer or designate requesting, where possible, shared ballots with Municipalities for the 2021 election.
 - **Principal:** Feedback on home learning in weekly update
 - Exam week starting regular classes for Jr. High
 - Maintenance created seating area by moving lockers around
 - Installed new dimmable LED lighting
 - LRSD changed insurance providing cost saving, affects McKenzie Olympics & AHSRA need to inquire about coverage used by NHSRA
 - Power School is changing new software cost saving same functionality
 - Next semester add Calculus Math 31 & P.E. 20/30, also added Art, Philosophy for Gr. 11s
 - Split Gr. 9 Social & Math
 - Report cards early-mid February
 - Midterm Awards Ceremony for Honor Roll mid February
 - Final exams worth 20% (to reduce impact on students some open book or less questions)

New Business:

- Exam Goodies supplied by Parent Council (pen, pencil, water, granola bar, gum, fruit gummies) Ask for water to be donated, Mida purchase remaining supplies
- Student Council Initiative give a note/take a note

Next Meeting scheduled for March 18, 2021 @6:00pm

Robyn adjourned meeting @6:33pm

Meeting Minutes submitted by Mida Blades