

TMSS School Community Council Meeting MINUTES

Tuesday, December 13th, 2022 at 4:15pm

1. **Call meeting to Order** – Jessica called to order at 4:15pm

2. Attendance

Chair: Jessica Steadman

Vice Chair: Kali Cortus

Treasurer :Lynn Murray

Secretary: Jacqueline Zslnka

Members at Large: Giselle Huvenaars

Luke Bergmann - not present

Dora Lewis - not present

Student Representative: Tanner Chabot – not present

Tilka Chapman

Kinistin First Nations Representative : Colleen Cappo

Principal: Carmen Messer

Teacher Representative: Leah Madsen

NESD Board Representative: Lori Kidney

3. Additions to Agenda/Approval to Agenda

Gisselle made a motion to approve the agenda, Lynn 2nd, all in favor.

4. Approval of Nov 8th, 2022 Community Council Minutes

Giselle made a motion to approve the agenda, Lynn 2nd, all in favor.

5. Business Arising out of the minutes

a) Pop in vending machine, candy at concession – response letter – they will reorganize the products to make the “heathier choices” more at eye level. It is in a public facility, target buyers are outside of school hours too, not just students.

b) School Ground Revitalization project – CN Grant has asked for more information and Mrs. Messer has supplied that and now just wait and see. She also applied for a tree grant, that the town has sent and thought we would be interested in.

c) Fundraising ideas for the year:

1) online auction – Letter will be going out in the new year. Deadline for drop off to the school with donations will be Feb 16th.

2) supper at the hotel – short staffed, we are on a list for possibly February.

d) Facebook update – Jacqueline will work on the page.

e) Water for Christmas supper - Mrs. Lee will purchase and give up the receipt.

6. New Business

a) Guest: Heather Turcotte from Tisdale Suicide Awareness Committee – Started in 2012 when around Tisdale saw a lot of suicide happen, so a group of people started to gather to think of ways they could promote the importance of reducing stigma around mental health and suicide prevention. They are thinking of ways to how to involve youth into the work they are doing, so they have met with two students from TMSS just to talk about what the concerns are from a youths perspective, how the committee could support or engage youth in a better way. Also, brainstorm some ideas. Thought about adding “mental health minutes” into the school, either through the announcements, the tv screens or in a pamphlet available to everyone just to get something started.

b) Invitation to the Christmas dinner to all the SCC members – Jessica and Kali will be attending.

c) Advertising sports events on facebook – Colleen mentions to post sports stuff on fb or in the hallways for everyone to see. She would like to see advertising, mentioning not all kids have phones to check edsby, fb or ect. Mrs. Messer said the key to seeing all this is in the announcements.

7. Student Report – Tilka Gr 12 student – Sr. Boys basketball have played three games and remain undefeated. Sr. Girls basketball have won their first two games in the PA tournament and then lost the gold game to Carlton but was very close. Drama has their big production which was student lead.

- Sr. students have been talking that they feel they haven't been taught the subject matter that is on their tests, properly in class. They aren't being prepared for their tests, and that they aren't involved enough in the learning. They well underprepared when they go in to an exam.

- Mental health – once approved we will talk with the youth committee, we will work on different subject matter for each week.

- kids in the older grades have questions about the nutrition policy? They feel they are in high school, they should have a choice what they eat. Mrs. Messer mentioned the school offers healthy snacks. Jessica found a policy in the student handbook not very specific. Mrs. Messer mentioned energy drinks are a no. Jessica asked the difference in sending your kids a burger and fries from home and getting from DQ and not being able to eat it in the school side. Mrs. Messer agrees they could look at their nutrition policy to be more clear and more consistent.

8. Kinistin Report – Colleen Cappo – She is still doing the homework club. Attendance has been very poor within the school and homework club. She started making packages for reading for her students. She has been taking any students who are wondering around and meeting with them, to utilize their time. She had a meeting with Susan, herself and Kinistin councilor and Carmen, they updated and gave Colleen some data they have collected about their success within the partnership. Colleen then had to

meet with the Chief in council to report that, and they have requested that we let the people higher up, like Carmen to come out to the Chief and council meeting in January.

9. NESD Board of Director – Lori Kidney - SSBA office is in Regina, two day meeting down there, which was good. Arborfield meeting is in January is a community meeting, it is part of the review process. Our finance department, met with the auditors and they rave reviews that the NESD books are done great. Lori also mentioned that this year has been going a lot better than where we were last year at this time, and that's a win!

10. Principals Report – Carmen Messer – basketball, archery and curling has all started. The band fruit fundraiser had arrived. SRC has been busy with the food bank bingo, SRC attended a conference in Melfort last week. The SRC also has stuff ready for spirit week for just before the Christmas break. Christmas dinner will be in person, all seated in the gym.

11. Treasurer Report – Lynn Murray

- Total account is: \$4,081.99

12. Other

Jessica added there is a SCC conference in Hudson Bay, April 25th.

13. Next Meeting: January 10th, 2022 at 4:15pm

14: Adjourn: 5:15 pm