TMSS School Community Council Meeting MINUTES

Tuesday, November 9, 2021 at 4:30pm

1. Call meeting to Order – Jessica at 4:30pm

2. Attendance

- Chair: Jessica Steadman
- Vice Chair: Kali Cortus
- Treasurer :Melanie Brandt
- Secretary: Jacqueline Zslnka
- Members at Large: Lynn Murray, Ken Thomas
- Student Representative: Jace Farber, Tilka Chapmen
- Principal: Carmen Messer
- Teacher Representative: Leah Madsen
- NESD Board Representative: Lori Kidney
- 3. Approval of Agenda

Motion to Approve made by Lynn/Jacqueline. Carried

4. Approval of Oct 12, 2021 Community Council Minutes

Motion to Approve Lynn/Melanie. Carried

- 5. Business Arising out of the Minutes
 - One member at Large Position remains vacant keep recruiting
- 6. New Business -
 - Playground upgrade and Proposal
 - Dallas Thiessen unable to join.
 - Mrs. Messer mentioned they got the plan (attached) back but after reviewing with some staff, there will be some changes made (area around the track). We got a draft proposal for \$700,000, and we had asked them to put together a \$500,000 for 5 years.
 - It is planned to be used as a community based not just school.
 - Mrs. Messer has a list of groups and people who should know about our plan.
 - Proposals to be made to bigger companies in town.
 - Lynn offered her name to volunteer for grant writing.

- 7. Student Reports -
 - Grade 12 Jace Farber report:
 - Likes the changes to be made to the school grounds, he had a few suggestions on how it could be changed. Focus on the sports areas and then all the extras.
 - Students stress this year is high, it has gotten to a point to where it is concerning.
 - Football season was good.
 - Grad? in the background, kids will be upset if no grad but says they wouldn't be surprised if there isn't one.
 - A concern was brought up about a staff member –Mrs. Messer will follow up.
 - Jessica asked Jace what we could do to help with the mental health with the students. He said bringing someone in to talk about mental health in general to help make it people not feel alone.
 - Tilka mentioned having someone available to just drop in and talk when needed. Mrs Messer said that is Sam's job (Outreach Worker) but she is booked up. Jessica will follow up with request for more Outreach Worker services
 - Grade 11 Tilka Chapman report:
 - Agrees with what Jace stated.
 - Says Ebsy is working properly now, it is a lot easier for students to work.
- 8. Kinistin Representative Report Loretta Nippi not present
- 9. NESD Board of Director Lori Kidney
 - Don Rempel will be retiring in end of March, committee for recruitment and replacement.
 - Sask School Board Association Conference is next week, on zoom with 27 school divisions.
 - Lori mentioned once the plans are finalized for the outdoor space, to request a delegation with whomever the committee chair. Dallas has already started a committee.
 - Lori asked if the fundraising would be all up to the SCC, and Mrs. Messer thinks it should be the community and school.
 - Carrot River plans are getting finalized for a new build.
 - Gronlid school -SCC voted to close.

10. Principal's Report – Carmen Messer

Staffing

- Tyler Dancey on temp contract replacing Brian Binning on medical leave
- Lydia Steffen on temp contract replacing Warren Jacobson on an indefinite leave
- Stacey Simpson has gone on a leave for the rest of the year, replaced with Sheldon Mauvieux

- Stacey was a 66% contract but with all the extra students, Sheldon got 100% contract and they split up some classes.
- NESD provided TMSS with a temp fulltime EA for the rest of the year.
- Still short a custodian.
- Mrs. Messer is still looking for staffing for the second semester.
- No new covid cases since Oct.
- NESD new policy for staff, volunteers and classroom guests to be fully vaccinated by Dec 6th. Anyone who is involved with the kids will need to be fully vaccinated or test weekly.
- Fundraising Gr 9-12 did Moms Pantry and raised around \$5800.
- Student lead conferences data is 23% attended, last year was 89%, not sure why the lack of engagement? Is it because parents can contact parents between Edbsy, email all year.
- Edsby is up and running.
- Andrea is up and running with our social media.
- 11. Treasurer's Report Melanie Brandt
 - Grant from NESD \$3,288.90
 - Balance is \$4,749.57

13. Other

- Lynn asked Jessica about fundraising
 - Lynn thought about Prairie Meats (through BuyLow) and get community involved, BBQ at BuyLow and they donate an amount.
 - Mrs. Messer said first thing we have to do is share about the playground plan, few things that need to be done before we can do that. We need to ask for a timeline with phases.
 - Lynn donated time to check out some government grants.
 - Mrs. Messer mentions our fundraising needs to be very specific for what it is for.
- 15. Next Meeting December 14, 2021 at 4:30pm

16. Adjourn – Jessica - 5:22pm

