

**RI Baker Middle School**

**School Council Agenda**

**March 14, 2017**

1. Call to order-6:32pm
2. Attendance-Jason Prebushewski, Maegan Peacock, Robyn Henderson, Amy Hass, Shannon Little, Cindee Nyrose, Diane Gallagher, Bonnie Dyck, Melody Garner-Skiba
3. Additions to the Agenda-Jason, evaluation added to F & P
4. Approval of Agenda  
Motion to approve: Shannon Little  
2<sup>nd</sup>: Bonnie Dyck
5. Approval of Minutes from Jan 17, 2016  
Motion to approve: Diane Gallagher  
2<sup>nd</sup>: Shannon Little
6. Reports
  - i. Trustee's report
    - a. On February 28, 2017, the board passed a motion to terminate the contract for Superintendent Kevin Gietz immediately and without notice or pay in lieu of notice. Dr. Garry Andrews will continue as Acting Superintendent while the board begins the process of hiring a new superintendent. No further comment as to details of the decision will be forthcoming as this is a personnel matter. The press release is available on the Palliser website.
    - b. On February 13 & 14, the board participated in the first of a series of workshops with the facilitator to work on the 21 recommendations from the Organizational Review. Five policies should be available in draft form on the website after the March 14 meeting/workshop for feedback and questions. An additional 6 policies are on the workshop agenda for March 14 and 17 and will be added to the website for feedback as they are addressed.
    - c. The comments from the Coaldale Community meeting have been compiled and will be organized and summarized by themes for the next board meeting. Another public meeting date will be announced.
  - ii. Chairperson report – Robyn Henderson

- a. Planning to meet with other Coaldale School Council chairs (meeting to be determined)
  - b. attended Kate Andrews School Council Meeting last week
  - c. Communication-Meetings from this year's minutes are posted on the website, and submitting reminders to parents in newsletters.
  - d. Idea-I was in a school and they had a billboard where kids applied to do different positions in the school. They had to fill out a job application type form and submit it (e.g. recycling, etc). To me, it mirrored a job application/resume type process (readiness for life/work experience?)
  - e. Parent feedback Coaldale Community Mtg-Parents request to have info board of space utilization meeting added to the website/minutes.
- iii. Principal's report – Mr. Prebushewski
- a. School Calendar-Jason presented the 2017-2018 school calendar to the group. All Coaldale schools are following the same calendar.
  - b. F & P- Jason presented preliminary data results. The results were overall positive. Looking into LA options for next year, as well as 'flex time' periods.
  - c. Staffing Meeting- Jason and Krista attended a staffing meeting for support and certified staff. Projected enrollement of 388 students; 347 currently. Five Grade 5 teachers were requested due to the influx (110) of grade 4s coming to grade 5 at Baker. Staffing decisions will be made after the provincial budget comes in. The meetings were overall very positive.
  - d. International students- Baker will have 6 international students from China arriving on March 20, staying for 3 months. Students from Japan will arrive on Wednesday for a short 8 day stay. Palliser's intent is to get to a place soon where we can send Palliser students abroad.
  - e. School Sign-RIBMS will be purchasing a digital sign to replace the old manual sign. The glass cover is in need of repair and the letters are getting old. It can also be a hazard replacing the message. It also will create more opportunity for increased communication.
  - f. Grad changes- The grade 8 farewell needed to change their program structure for this school year. Due to a conflict between KA and RIBMS grads, the 8s will begin the day with their farewell, and then 7, 6, 5. This will not be the case for upcoming years.

## 7. Old Business

- Turkey dinner organizer (keep on agenda for fall meeting)-Shannon Kasko?
- storage

## 8. New Business

- Internet Safety program was promoted at KA's meeting. It's a joint partnership with <http://www.lethbridge.ca/NewsCentre/Pages/Internet-Safety-Night.aspx>
- Last parent council meeting is May 16. This will be a celebration, and dinner will be provided.

9. Bouquets

Robyn H., Mr. P. & Melody would like to give a bouquet to Mrs. Conrad for all her hard work with the band trip, and being a good roll model for the girls with regards to the adjudicator.

Shannon L. & Cindee N. would like to give a bouquet to Mrs. Conrad, Mr. Smith, & all extra-curricular teachers, coaches and volunteers for their time and effort committed to activities.

Robyn H. would like to give a bouquet Miss Van Hell for her organization and communication with Sunday night emails.

10. Next meeting dates (6:30 pm)

- May 16, 2017

11. Adjournment, 7:49pm

Motion to adjourn-Cindee N.

2<sup>nd</sup>-Bonnie D.