

RI Baker School Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 15, 2022 6:30 pm

Location RIBMS Staff Room

1. Call to Order at 6:31 pm
 - a. Welcome/Introductions/Attendance – Jason Prebushewski, Brett Clifton, Amy Morice, Tammy Bolstad, April Chudobiak, Tanya Conrad

2. Approval of Agenda
 - a. Motion to approve as presented – Amy Morice
 - b. 2nd by – Tanya Conrad

3. Approval of Minutes from September 13, 2022
 - a. Motion to approve as distributed – Amy Morice
 - b. 2nd by – Tanya Conrad

4. Reports
 - a. Trustee Reports
 - i) Jason Prebushewski (see attached)

 - b. Chairperson Report - None

 - c. Principal Report
 - i) Jason Prebushewski
 1. Walk-A-Thon was a huge success. We had our biggest event ever! We had more prizes, more money raised, and more hype. Thank you to all staff, students, and volunteers that made this all happen.
 2. Thanks to all parents for working with us as we work through our new reporting program Edsby. Parents should have been sent an invitation to view assignments and grades. If anyone is having issues please call the office. Please check your child's account on the 1st of every month.
 3. Turkey Dinner is a go! Natasha Richards and Jen Van Rijn are already hard at work. If anyone would like to help on this day we will need it. Please contact the office.
 4. We have had a group of international students from Columbia and another group arriving on the 19th. Palliser is always looking for host families. Is a great experience for everyone. Palliser is also going to be offering more opportunities for these to be mutual exchanges.
 5. Operation Christmas child will be taking place at Baker. We will spread Christmas cheer to families who could use a little help.
 6. Christmas break Begins a little later this year on December 23rd. And we will return on January 9th.

5. Business Arising:

- a. The South Crosswalk. Is now complete and is being well utilized.

6. New business:

- a. Gluten Free Choices at the Canteen. There are some currently offered, but it can be hard to ensure that food does not get contaminated so we are hesitant to guarantee that things are absolutely gluten free. It is also very difficult to find gluten free options for hot lunch.
- b. Having lunch in the foyer to give students a break from their home room. It can be very tiring after being in class all day with the same students to also be confined to eating in the home room with them. But it is also very loud and chaotic in the foyer and it can be hard to have enough teacher supervisors. It's also more work to find someone to set up and clear away the tables.

7. Bouquets of Appreciation

- a. Mr. Clifton for planning the Remembrance Day Ceremony.
- b. Mr. Conrad for organizing the band to play at the Remembrance Day Ceremony.
- c. Tanya Conrad for playing the Last Post at the Remembrance Day Ceremony.
- d. Mr. Ginther for sharing his story of being in war at the Ceremony.
- e. Mrs. Cabby for coaching the girls' volleyball teams and having the wrap up party.
- f. Mr. Brzezinski has been a great and fun teacher. He stepped up to coach volleyball, and did lots of sports planning. We thank him for his time at Baker.

8. Next Meeting:

- a. January 17, 2023 6:30pm
- b. 2022-2023 meeting dates:
 - March 21
 - May 16

9. Adjournment

- a. Motion to adjourn – 7:04 pm

R.I.B. Middle School Parent Council Meeting
Trustee Report
November 15, 2022

- At our Board Meeting on Sept 20, we were given the opportunity to meet Palliser's new communication officer, Wesley Lebeau.
- Dr. Browning presented a report on the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation coming up on Sept 30. Schools will be participating in special activities to honour this day.
- Palliser is introducing a Council of School Councils inviting Chairs and representatives from school councils across the division (Vulcan, Calgary, and South) to meet with Senior Admin and Board Trustees for discussion, training and development. This opportunity will help school councils understand their role, effective leadership and encourage parent involvement in the school community. The meetings will take place throughout the 2022-23 school year with invitees attending in person at a convenient central location in their area and will join virtually to hear presentations on special topics of importance from Alberta School Councils' Association. The first meeting will be held November 15.
- The Palliser Occupational Health and Safety Coordinator provided a presentation of workplace health and safety with highlighted training modules for new staff as well as Yearly Refresher courses for all employees. One of the areas highlighted is the union workplace bullying and harassment and the processes the division uses to deal with these incidents.
- The new joint High School and Rec Centre in Coaldale is taking shape. Great progress has been done on cast-in-place piles, grade beam foundations, structural steel superstructure and mass timber features. The structural steel on the rec centre has been erected and the exterior block walls will soon be completed. The project is on target and the Board of Trustees were pleased to be meeting with the Coaldale Town Council on October 25 for a site tour.
- Next Board Meeting is scheduled for Nov. 29, 2022