

Landing Trail School Council

School Council Meeting

Thursday, January 14, 2021

7:00 pm

1. Call to Order - 7:01pm

In Attendance: Laura V, Allan T, Jolene T, Traci Upshaw, Christine F, Laverda S, Katelyn O, Terry Jewell, Virginia D, Jodi M, Savanna K, Danielle F, Terra P and Robyn S

- i. Approval of Agenda - Christine approves/ Virginia seconds
- ii. Approval of minutes from November Meeting - Christine approves/ Virginia seconds

2. Old Business

- a. Snow removal - this has been going well, sidewalks are done and things are all good for now
- b.

3. New Business

- a. Sample parent survey - Worked with Jackie on this but since Jackie is no longer here will need to run this by the new admin and then share it with the council for feedback before rolling out to parents. The overall theme of the survey is around communication and how parents feel the communication from the school is for them.
- b. Online Learning
 - i. Kudos to all the teachers making this as good of an experience for the kids as it can be, great job!
 - ii. Having kids learning on line has had its challenges, mainly technical issues with the internet being spotty and underperforming.
 - iii. Also things like microphone and having chat enabled during meetings are issues.

- iv. Having one week of online learning was stressful and put additional pressure on some families.
- v. Wondering about how the school, teachers and parents get notified for Covid cases and outbreaks?
 - 1. Depending on who gets notified first, the school contacts the Superintendent and then AHS
 - 2. Once a positive case gets identified, close contacts are notified
 - 3. Teachers only know if they are directly affected, not if there are cases in the school in general
- vi. There has been lots of support for the school admin from head office and the division in dealing with the Covid cases we had in December
- vii. In the provincial announcement there was an update stating that terminology around Alert vs Outbreak and what number of cases associated with each will be as well as “watch” will be removed from that list. More info to come from the school once they have that.
- viii. The school didn't close in December like other schools in the division because they had not hit the threshold of cases within the school directly.

4. Correspondence

a.

5. Reports

a. Admin Report:

- a. Would like to introduce Traci Upshaw, the new acting principal for Landing Trail - see the powerschool email for more information on Traci
- b. The Litezilla board purchased last year has finally been installed! Admin to video demo it and post on FB so everyone can see how it works.

b. Trustee Report:

- a. Budget season is starting, no information from the government yet, no real information yet to share.
- b. As of right now there is expedited testing for all staff and students being Covid tested in an effort to identify cases in schools quicker - most reporting next day notifications after being tested (both positive and negative)
- c. Kudos to the school administrators for handling the Covid concerns in December so well
- d. Negotiations with teachers and CUPE still going, no information to update
- c. Community Rep - no one from town present to update
- d. Grade Reps (HS, K, 1,2,3,4 and Logos):
 - a. working on getting back on track after December and the first week of January online
 - b. Reviewing safety protocols and rules
 - c. Being outside as much as possible
 - d. Gr 2 - buoyancy and boats, Iqaluit and Nunavut, patterns; Gr 3 - 3 digit numbers, measurements, countries and building
- e. Staff Rep:
 - a. things are busy and different
 - b. can't teach online like you do in class and in person

Other comments:

- 2020 has taught us to roll with the punches so let's keep up the good work and carry that great attitude into 2021.
- Jackie has retired

6. Adjournment - 7:49pm

Next Meeting for School Council - 7 PM on February 11, 2021