

Valhalla Community School
Parent Council
Minutes: November 07, 2011

Attendees:

Barb Lind (Vig), Amie Nemezc, Brenda-Lee Kjemhus, Lidna MacKay, Pat Moutray, Roxy Vig, Steve Mumert

Called to Order: 6:40pm

Minutes of Last Meeting

Minutes not read. No comments brought forth regarding last meeting.

Old Business

- Potluck: Potluck went well. Not as many families attended as hoped for.
- Hot Lunch:
 - Kitchen not approved yet, will not be approved until the new year sometime
 - Would like to have hot lunch 2 times a month. Suggested that hot lunch days be held the last Thursday before CSW days. Everyone agreed this is a good idea.
 - Next hot lunch will be on November 25th, hot dogs.
 - Suggested we add to school newsletter that families could suggest menu items for hot lunch days. A menu plan will be needed for kitchen approval.
 - For food service, Monica Modral suggested at previous meeting that food prep could be done night before or have the older grades participate in food preparation.
 - Suggested that we could consider Subway or Anna's until kitchen is approved although this has logistical problems due to how far we are from Beaverlodge.

Reports

Chair Report (Barb Lind)

Nothing to report

Treasurer's Report (Linda McKay)

Nothing to report

Secretary's Report (Amie Nemezc)

Nothing to report

Principal's Report (Steve Mumert)

- War Cake at Remembrance Day ceremony? – two P/C members volunteered to make a war cake for after the ceremony
- Christmas Concert Silent Auction: P/C needs to raise money for year end (but needs to bring account to zero by end of year). Silent auction is organized by Parent Council to be held during the Christmas

Concert. A notice will be put in school newsletter to ask for silent auction donations. Motion: To hold silent auction during the Christmas Concert to raise funds for Parent Council to put on a year end party. Motioned: Roxy Vig; 2nd: Pat Moutray; Carried

- Student Dinner: Motion: To hold a potluck for a student dinner on December 15th. Dinner will be open to students/staff/families/volunteers/bus drivers. Motioned: Linda MacKay; 2nd: Roxy Vig; Carried.
- Three Year Plan: In the process of being finished. Once the report is passed by the Board it will be available on the school website. Items were highlighted by Steve Mumert for P/C:
 - Foundation Statements Presented
 - Trends and Future Issues
 - Students are Prepared for Life
 - Summary of Accomplishments
 - October 2011 Accountability Pillar Overall Summary
 - Charter Goals
 - Provincial Achievement Test results.

Board Report (Brenda-Lee Kjemhus)

- Cap increase – Board decided to write Alberta Education to see if flexibility would be allowed regarding our current student cap, but not asking for an increase at this time. Currently school is penalized if we go over by even one student.

New Business

Bullying at Bus Stop:

- Barb voiced concerns over apparent bullying at her bus stop (a large number of students get on at this same stop). Group discussion took place regarding acceptable actions. Witnesses to bullying at the bus stop are encouraged to address it with the bus driver immediately. If bullying continues school will suspend bus privileges.

Babysitter for Parent Council Meetings:

- Motion: Parent Council to advertise within the school for a babysitter to watch children that are brought to Parent Council meetings . Babysitter would be paid \$20 per meeting. Motioned: Pat Moutray; 2nd: Roxy Vig; Carried.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:50pm (Roxy Vig)

Next Meeting: December 05, 2011 at 6:30pm