

Manachaban School Council Meeting May 5, 2009

In Attendance: Dave Wilton, Sandra Iverson, Mike Summersgill, Dave Levson, Patti Pederson, Colleen Munro, Dianne Ivanitz, Raelyn Bauer, Mark Kondro

Call to Order: 6:34pm

Approval of meetings: were ads put in paper? Yes. Council is paying for that. S.B. "zoomerang" instead of "symering" in Principal's report. Diane Ivanitz motioned to approve minutes. Sandra Iverson seconded.

DISCUSSION

- MS: We should have wine and cheese for next meeting and invite Gr. 4 parents
- Diane Ivantiz talked to RCMP regarding coming to give council a talk regarding drugs. Diane will call to make arrangement for next council meeting. 6:30pm, June 2, 2009.
- Airdrie student has H1N1. High school students are being tested (randomly)

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

- Letter has been sent home regarding H1N1 hygiene, etc. Any info the school gets will be communicated to the parents.
- There is a student checklist for teachers to fill out on a daily basis. If you want more info, there are links in Rocky View website and Manachaban's. Rocky View has Joanne White to answer any questions.
- There has been an acting A.P. hired in Christine McKie's absence – Diane Sellars. Christine should be back later in September.
- Copy of Instructional Supplies and Materials fees available on Rocky View Website.
- Outdoor Ed fees may be paid up front with school fees.
- How will this impact low income families.
- Rocky View Instructional Supply Fee and transportation fees can be waived if the family applies for waiver, and they meet the guidelines specified by Rocky View. (Alberta health care waiver).
- Next year, six periods, six day rotation will be looked at. Start time and end times should not change. 4 periods in morning, 2 periods in afternoon. Lunch will be later.
- Camille Anderson will be staying in Airdrie. Manachaban has been advertising for a French Immersion Teacher.
- MS hopes to get a person in place fairly early.

- On PD Day, staff is going to Reaching and Teaching conference assessment. MS hopes this conference will give more insight into reporting to parents. MS will share with Council next meeting.
- Staff meetings over next little while will focus on planning.
- Character Ed. Program has been successful.
- 8's have been doing Jr. Achievement
- PATs are on the 12,13,14th of May. 7.
- Grade 6s had a field trip to Rona
- Calaway Park for School on June 25th. Last day of classes, June 26th.
- June 11th is being looked at for grade 8 Farewell.
- Grade 4 Orientation on June 9th, evening meeting on 9th for Gr. 4 Parents.

TRUSTEE'S REPORT

- Board is working on Budget. Budget will be approved June 7th.
- Capital plan was approved in April – same plan as last year.
- Plan has been preliminarily approved to move some portables around.
- No new money for schools this year, so portables need to be moved where needed.

TEACHER'S REPORT

- Grade 5 & 6 are examining new textbook
- Responsibility assembly has been done and next are empathy and patience.
- Grade 5 Outdoor Ed., 108 students.
- Dave Wilton asked if grade 6 students are practicing writing scantron tests. MS guarantees that students will get practice writing scantron tests before PATs
- Penny Carnival on May 22nd. Each class will be doing a few activities.
- \$ from Casino - \$ 42,000 has been approved. Everything except laptops.
- Sandra passed a motion to approve spending for wish list. Dave seconded. Dianne Ivantiz did not approve, Mark Kondro did not approve, Raelyn Bauer is on fence, not enough info.
- Amended motion: Council will approve up to 40,000 to be spent on items that are listed, not including computers, to the end of June. Sandra motioned. Dave seconded. All in favour, except Dianne Ivanitz. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned @ 7:55pm