

Manachaban School Council Oct 24, 2016

Present: Marla Bosch
Krista Stronach
Dawn-Marie Cinnamon
Thomas Elbel
Dawn Dostaler

Colleen Munro
Bruce Woolrich
Josh LaFleur
Gerry Gaudet

Meeting called to order at 6:34 pm.

Welcome and Intros

Agenda presented and accepted
Minutes from previous meeting presented and passed.

Trustee Report

- Ward Boundary Review - consultant report has been read
 - there is a population imbalance in existing wards
 - in 2013, population of Rockyview was 122,200 - in 2015 the number was 145,363
 - Airdrie has a population of 60,000 and two trustees
 - NE Rockyview ward has a population of approx 11,000 with one trustee
 - general rule is that fair representation has numbers within plus or minus 25% of one another
 - several proposals have been made
 - two variations have a total of 7 trustees
 - one has a total of 9 trustees
 - one has a total of 5 trustees
 - some proposals have boundaries with a mix of urban and rural, and some are strictly urban or rural
 - Nov 29th there will be a meeting for public consultation at Cochrane Rancheview School from 7-8:30
 - this is one of four public consultations
 - decision will be made by the end of January so that changes - if any - will be in place for the Oct 2017 election
- Curriculum review has begun
- Nov 17 is the joint School Council/School Board meeting
 - will be talking about curriculum review
- APORI (Accountability Pillar Online Reporting Initiative) & Rockyview Survey <http://www.rockyview.ab.ca/publications/accountability-reports>
 - results are pretty good, but there are some areas to look at
- in mid November the joint School Board Association meeting will be held in Edmonton

Treasurer Report

- Current Balance \$12,020.39
- Jan 2016 Active Living Day bussing (approx \$3500) is still to come out

Staff Report

- one of the grade 8 options is a coding class using programmable BB-8 (a Star Wars droid character) toys
 - these are currently on loan from the learning center, but would like to look at purchasing some for the school
 - they are programmable through an app
- there are several more new students since the last meeting
- WILD went to the U of C and their second camp is coming up
- soccer went well - are considering a student/staff game
- volley ball is under way
- grade 5s are being vaccinated
- all-gender washroom signs are coming (as discussed last meeting)
- Walkathon went very smoothly
 - superintendent dropped by
 - approx \$15,000 raised

Admin Report

- SARR 3016-2016 (School Annual Results Report)
 - PAT (Provincial Achievement Tests) were very good
 - at the “acceptable” level, Manachaban was at 89.3% compared to 73.6% provincially
 - at the “excellence” level, Manachaban was at 23.5% compared to 19.4% provincially
 - this is a very strong cohort
 - future priorities include: Access to Services & Work Preparation
 - the report was presented with highlights including achievements and areas to focus on improving
 - report will be available online soon (last year’s can be found at: <http://manachaban.rockyview.ab.ca/publications/school-reports>)
- staffing - Mr Taylor is on leave with Mr Dunn substituting
- Pumpkin Festival - so far 10-12 students from Manachaban will be entering a pumpkin

Next Meeting scheduled for Nov 28

Meeting adjourned at 7:55