

Langdon School Council Meeting Minutes – April 11, 2018

Call Meeting to Order: 6:30pm Launa A.

Approval of previous meeting minutes: Tabled until next meeting

Teacher Requests: Launa A.

Teacher's Luncheon – requested \$200 5 votes yes/0 votes no

Hygiene Items – requested \$30 5 votes yes/0 votes no

Volunteer Tea – requested \$200 5 votes yes/0 votes no

Kindergarten Orientation – requested \$100 (tabled until next meeting as grade 5 orientation from ST could occur on the same day, requested amount may need to be reviewed)

Storyboard That – requested 2 months at \$19/mth, \$40 total 5 votes yes/0 votes no

Patrollers picnic – requested \$320 5 votes yes/0 votes no

Area rug for Ms. Toney – requested max of \$481.15 (scholar's choice) 0 votes yes/5 votes no

Counter Proposal: \$335 4 votes yes/1 vote no

Supplies & Equipment for foods & fashion - tabled until next meeting, admin to look into current available funding or grants

Track meet entry fee - requested \$250 5 votes yes/0 votes no

Coaches Appreciation – requested \$750 0 votes yes/5 votes no

Counter Proposal – fund \$425 5 votes yes/0 votes no

First Edition safety program – requested \$7280 (casino funds item)8

FNMI Cultural Presentation – requested \$1000 5 votes yes/0 votes no

Mallets & Tubular bar with stand – requested max \$479 5 votes yes/0 votes no

Total \$ Funded: \$3279 - to be funded by school held school council funds

“Passing a motion to spend a maximum of \$3279 for above noted items from school council funds” **All in favour – 5 yay Against – 0 nays**

Passed - \$3279

Treasurer's Update: Brandi-Lee M.

Casino – Cheque for curling for maximum of \$574 (approved Mar 14 2018) not yet written

Available funds (after cheque): \$42906.76

Operating – o/s gift cheques \$1200

No other outstanding cheques to vendors

Hot lunch payments collected after Mar 14, 2018 via paypal, cash + cheque: \$294.69

Total Hot Lunch collected: \$11530.61

Budgeting \$7800 for 6 remaining hot lunch dates (max ~\$1300/lunch, estimate)

Current account balance: \$10310.01

Less o/s payments: \$9000

Approx balance, based on estimate of hot lunch payments: \$1310.01 (to be held in reserve)

School Held Funds: Approx \$7000

Trustee's Report: Patty S. (not in attendance, read by Brandi-Lee M.)

**TRUSTEE REPORT (Ward 2)
April, 2018**

Public Consultations re: School Bus Transportation – The results of the second survey have been analyzed and recommendations will be made to the Board of Trustees during our regular Board meeting on Thursday, April 12th at which time a decision will be made as to which bundle of cost saving measures will be implemented. Additional conversations with Bus Contractors are planned.

Tracking Student Transport – Consistent use of 'swipe cards' when all students board and disembark school buses helps to track their whereabouts which provides a significant safety measure and helps to determine the level of ridership on each route. Unfortunately, many students do not swipe their cards regularly, making it difficult to obtain reliable information. Anything we can do to raise awareness about the importance of this practice would help.

Langdon High School – The capital announcement for new school builds was made by the province on March 23rd. Unfortunately, a new High School for Langdon was not among those that were awarded funding. In fact, no funding at all was given to RVS and no public schools south of Edmonton were funded. This is not only a tremendous disappointment but it will have detrimental effects on our capacity going forward. Please find a Media Release attached. More information regarding the Capital Plan, including detailed demographic information will be available after April 12th – please let me know if you would like a copy.

IT Troubleshooting – At the March Langdon School Council meeting, parents suggested that a standard RVS FAQ would be helpful. RVS Director of Technology for Learning, Donna Leniuk, will be in touch with school based Techs in the near future to help coordinate this as each school setup is not necessarily

identical to others in the division. Donna told me that in the near future, they will be creating a Self Service Portal, where staff and students will be able to go and help themselves to answer their questions and get setup instructions. They are very excited for this new tool and thank Langdon parents for foreseeing what is possible. Please let me know if you have any further questions or concerns regarding this.

Joint Board/School Council Meeting – Thursday, April 12th from 5:30 to 7:30pm at the Education Centre. I hope to see some School Council reps from Ward 2 there.

Alberta School Councils Association Annual Conference – April 20th – 22nd

<https://www.albertaschoolcouncils.ca/about/annual-conference>

Patty Sproule’s Contact Information:

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Principal’s Update: Gwen H.D

1. Survey Results

In March, we surveyed our school families to get ideas about programming for next year. As a result of our conversations, AB education expectations and our community input we shared the following information with our school families:

French as a Second Language (FSL):4

- *French will be provided to students in grades 4, 5, & 6.*
- *French will be offered to students in grades 7, 8, 9 as a **whole** year option.*

Band/Music 5:

- *The Alberta Education curricular music requirement will be fulfilled by providing students in grade 5 the opportunity to take part in a blended music/band program. Instrument rentals will be made available using a third party vendor with a limited number of instruments also being made available through the school. Rental fees will be dependent on the instrument chosen.*

Grade 6 students must choose between Band 6 or Music 6 to meet Alberta Education’s curricular requirements.

Band 6

- *Grade six band will be offered to students as one option for meeting Alberta Education’s music requirements. Instrument rentals will be made available using a third party vendor with a limited number of instruments also being made available through the school. Rental fees will be dependent on the instrument chosen.*

Music 6

- *Alternatively, grade six students can opt to achieve Alberta Education’s music requirements by signing up for the Music 6 option. Students will not need to rent an instrument for this course.*

Personally Owned Devices (P.O.D) Grade 7

Grade 7 students will be required to bring a personal device to school in the 2018/19 school year to be used as a tool for learning. Please note: Cell phones nor IPADS DO NOT constitute as a personally owned device for the purpose of learning in school. We will have a limited supply of devices available for students to use during the day if they are not able to provide their own device. For student owned laptop standards, please visit our district page by clicking [here](#).

Music

Coming this April, grade 4 students will be given the opportunity to explore playing band instruments throughout the month. They each will have the opportunity to play the flute, clarinet, trumpet and trombone. Grade 5 students will further develop their musical abilities and experience playing an instrument through a Band Class setting.

2. AMA Patrollers

We have been struggling to maintain a consistent number of trained volunteers to patrol the crosswalks on Brander Ave. As a result, the number of days this service is available has been decreased. Please have a conversation with your child about safety when crossing the street and please take a moment to thank those volunteers who continue to support our school community by acting as an AMA School Patroller.

3. Placement Requests

We are starting to look at class compositions for 2018-19. In order to meet the educational needs of our students, teams meet to make class lists based on learning needs, peer relationships and student learning styles paired with teaching styles. If you have a specific educational request, please send an email or letter to Mrs. Rahn outlining the needs of your child. We will try to accommodate these for next year. Please note, we do not take specific requests for or against teachers.

4. Mr. Macartney – our colleague, our friend. On Tuesday, part of our district's student support psychology team was onsite for the entire day to make sure any part of the Langdon School family who required extra support received it.

Volunteer Updates: Heather B.

Volunteer still needed to organize teacher's appreciation luncheon

AGM: Launa A. – AGM scheduled for 6pm on May 9, 2018

Meeting Adjourned: 8:30pm Launa A.

