

RDL Parent Council Meeting

April 14th, 2015 Minutes

1. Kari Hayley Call to Order 7:00pm
2. Approval of agenda; Shannon
3. Approval of March minutes; Kari and Lindsay
4. Trustee Report – Christine Pretty
 - a. Moving ahead with high school in Aldersyde
 - Town of Okotoks is against school going there
 - MD owns the 8 acres but will need more land for their fields- need the town to agree to release more land
 - b. Another future school site is on the Darcy Ranche
 - This would be 5 years away
 - Will need a K-9 so could be a shared campus K-9 with Christ the Redeemer
 - c. FSD to keep the 5 modulars from High River to be distributed in FSD
 - Blackie, Heritage Heights, Spitzee, and 2 within Okotoks
 - d. Loriann Salmon was just hired to be FSD Director of Inclusive Learning
 - e. Budget was just released and it is pretty terrible
 - Must reduce spending by \$2.5 million
 - No funding for any new students out of catchment
 - Can't let go of any teachers
 - Must balance budget without using any reserves
 - RDL has operated with a \$800/year deficit for 3 years – which they used to pay for extra teachers, aids, etc. – Will no longer be able to operate using a deficit
 - Will see cuts in FTE, Instructional FTE, inclusive dollars, custodial, guest teachers, planning meetings, etc.
 - FSD board is looking at ways to save money
 - People need to write their MLAs to see change
5. Principal Reports – Judy Leyden
 - a. Upcoming events and important dates:
 - Tuesday, April 21 – Learning Commons Think Tank
 1. Buses leave at 8:30am with parents and select students
 2. Will travel to Morris Gibson and Heritage Heights to tour their Learning Commons
 3. Return to school to discuss, brainstorm ideas to create a place of growth for our Learning Commons
 - b. First Annual Health Symposium
 - Will be on Friday, April 17th
 - Group of Jr. High Students will be speaking
 - Keynote speaker – Sheldon Kennedy
 - Focus on emotional & mental wellness
 - c. Sports:
 - Badminton tournaments – the 16th and the 21st
 - Track and field is starting soon
 - d. Fine Arts
 - April 29th – “Have You Seen Another Butterfly”

- An afternoon showing as well – 1:30pm
 - e. April 15th – 32 Grade 8s and 9s to go to Quebec with 4 staff members
 - f. May 1st – PD Day – focus is on Engagement
 - g. May 6th – Grade 6 Science – Marsville Project – 9:30 – 2:00
 - The study of what really happens when you go into space & colonize a planet
 - h. May 7th – Legion Awards at 7pm at the Turner Valley Legion
 - Students will be winning awards for their Remembrance Day writing or artwork
 - i. May 8th – Mothers day Tea in Kindergarten
 - j. DATs – grade 9s on the 11th, grade 6s on the 13th
 - k. May 12th – Next Parent Council meeting – Bring A Friend Night
 - Judy and Craig to cook hot dogs and hambergers
 - Parents bring snacks
 - l. Casino \$ Wishlist:
 - Playground equipment
 - Math manipulatives – for grade 6-9 especially
 - H2O fountains – coming on April 15th – to go in by the gym and the library
 - School sign outfront
 - Scissors lift Projector for Gym
6. Committee Reports
- a. No new business to report
7. Teacher Appreciation Lunch
- a. June 5th PD Day
 - b. 30 staff (approx.)
 - c. Potluck lunch – using SignUp Genius – Amber to set up
 - d. Melanie to get table cloths and centerpieces
 - e. Lasagnas, salads, breads, desserts, punch, napkins,
 - f. Asking Julie to arrange cutlery and plates from Priddis
 - g. Known allergies – nuts and pineapple
8. Next Meeting date - May 12th – Bring a Friend BBQ and parent council meeting
9. Motion to adjourn: Kari

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1. Kari Hayley Call to Order at 7:45pm
2. Approval of Agenda – Kari
3. Approval of March minutes; Melanie and Kari
4. Casino
 - a. We are going into the draw for Nov, Dec, or January – but we might have to be at any casino in the city vs. just at the Deerfoot Inn
 - b. A letter went out stating that we had to call and put our name on the list but the letter didn't find its way to Kari
 - c. Schedule comes out at the end of May or August
 - d. Waiting on Gaming to check whether we are on the list for the Deerfoot Inn

5. Hot Lunch Program

a. Way more orders for the Spring orders vs. the Winter orders – much better advertising and preparing parents

6. Walk-A-Thon

- a. Kari has about 150 jelly bracelets to go into grab bags
- b. Committee has gathered gift cards for various places – bowling passes, Okotoks Community passes, Jugo Juice, etc., to go into grab bags as well
- c. May 14th - Zumba as Walkathon kick off
- d. Students will log hours of activity over a period of 2 weeks
- e. The class with the most active minutes will win prize
- f. The student with the most active minutes will win a prize
- g. On Friday May 29th, the Walkathon will take place in Lloyd Park for an optional normal run or color run (Color Me Rad)
 - a divergent path will be mapped out for color run vs. non-color run for those that choose to not run with the color
- h. Council will spend approximately \$1000 for the color “bombs” to throw at the students that choose the color run
- i. wipes will be provided to the students riding the bus home to ensure their seats are cleaned after the run
- j. Extra garbage cans will be placed in Lloyd Park
- k. Committee needs extra volunteers to help throw the color
- l. RDL is inviting the families to participate as well – they will pay \$10 to run and will receive lunch
- m. To achieve better junior high engagement there will be a contest to raise the most amount of money – prize being a teachers bike race around the gym
- n. Council needs to communicate what the monies raised will go towards
 - ideas for the money; purchasing heart rate monitors for Phys. Ed, chin up bars, wire cage bulk bins in each wing for the outdoor DPA equipment (instead of individual classroom bins) hopscotch lines, baseball diamond

7. Old & New Business

a. Chocolate Fundraiser

- Raised approximately \$5000
- This money will purchase the two water bottle filling water fountains

8. Next meeting will be May 12th – Bring a Friend night!

- 6pm BBQ, 7pm meeting
- Judy and Craig to bring hot dogs and burgers
- council members to bring snacks and drinks

9. Motion to Adjourn: Kari at 8:30pm