

Ardrossan Junior Senior High School

PAC Meeting Minutes

September 19, 2016

Welcome and Introductions: Meeting called to order by Glenys Boe at 6:33.

In Attendance: MJ Nam, Skip Gordon, Rod Leatherdale, Darby Hanson, Heather Hrynychuk, Glenys Boe, Joanne Dewart, Terri-Ann Trohubiak, Jennifer Mailer, Richard Wharmby, Treena Stafford, Monique McCardle, Cathy Farnell

Adoption of Minutes from May 16, 2016 meeting: Glenys Boe moved to adopt the minutes of the May 16, 2016 meeting, seconded by Cathy Farnell, unanimously passed

Vote for Executive Positions: The following positions were filled by acclimation:

Chair: Glenys Boe
Vice-Chair: Treena Stafford
Secretary: Cathy Farnell
COSC: tabled until the November meeting

Trustee's Report – Skip Gordon:

- The Board Chair is Trina Boymook and the Board Vice-Chair is Harvey Stadnick
- Ardrossan Elementary School update – the demolition is just about done and construction is to start this month with a completion date of December 2017 and move-in over the Christmas break in 2017/2018. Construction is being done by AMAN Construction and managed by EIPS.
- On September 1 the Board or Trustees and EIPS Senior Administration met with Education Minister David Eggen. Topics discussed included: student mental health programming and resources, student transportation funding and ways to improve capital-project management.
- On September 21 the Board is hosting its annual Committee of School Councils (COSC) Mix & Mingle event for principals and school council representatives.
- On September 26 & 27 trustees are attending a Board Retreat to discuss goals and plans for this year and upcoming years.
- October 5 is World Teachers' Day
- EIPS enrollment is 17, 101 which is up by 161 from last year

The following concerns were raised with Skip by parents:

- (a) The number of students on the buses this year. There are 64 students on some buses and they are sitting 3 to a seat. As the numbers are recognized are there plans to add extra busing to reduce those numbers? Skip advised to call Student Transportation to discuss. If concerns are not being adequately addressed, parents can speak with Skip.
- (b) Have any decisions been made about international travel? Yes. There will be no international travel as there is no insurance for any kind of terrorist attack. That includes travel to the United States. As far as they are aware, all money paid by parents has been refunded. This will be reviewed on an annual basis.

- (c) Is student parking an issue that is contributing to the crowding on the buses? Yes. There will be some new parking when the elementary school construction is completed. [See also the Administration Report]

Administration Report – MJ Nam: See attached report.

Old Business: Dan Vanderburgh thank you. A way to thank Dan Vanderburgh was discussed. Glenys will speak with the art teacher to ask if an art project could be coordinated with the students in honor of Dan. It would be nice to say something at the October 18 Awards Evening if Mr. Vanderburgh attends.

New Business:

- **Learning Clicks** – On October 26 from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm (same evening as Parent Student Teacher interviews) there will be a presentation in the school theater about grants and scholarships. Notice will also be in the School Newsletter.
- **CPF Report:** Family Fun Weekend is September 30 to October 2 in Canmore together with the CPF AGM. Terri-Ann Trohubiak will email the information to Ms. Nam.
- **Literacy & Learning Day** – October 22, 2016 there is a free event at Northlands in the Expo Centre – Hall “H”. The keynote speaker is David Bouchard. More information is available at www.literacyday.ca.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be Monday, November 28, 2016 at 6:30 pm in the school library. Notice of that meeting will be sent by both email and synervoice.

Adjournment: 7:19 pm.