

Prairie Sky School

201 Skyview Ranch Rd NE Calgary, AB, T3N 2E7

School Council Meeting – April 24, 2023, 5:45 pm,

School Council Meeting

Minutes – April 24, 2023

5:45 PM @ Prairie Sky School

* indicates written report/attachment provided

1. Call to order meeting – 5:47pm –

Attendance

Executive:

Brittany - Chair

Laura – Vice Chair

Melody – Vice Chair

Leslie – Treasurer

Nina – Treasurer

Don – Secretary

Parents:

Jenna Gutierrez

Natasha Ishani

Azhar Ishani

Staff:

Mona – Principal

Mike - Assistant Principal

Grade 8 Team

2. 5:48pm - Review of the Agenda – Copies of agenda made available for attendees to review

3. 5:49pm - Approval of the Minutes, as presented (OR as amended)

- a. Motion to approve minutes made by Leslie, 2nd by Nina

Prairie Sky School

201 Skyview Ranch Rd NE Calgary, AB, T3N 2E7

School Council Meeting – April 24, 2023, 5:45 pm,

School Council Meeting

4. 5:49pm – Teacher Share

- Staff have prepared presentations of classroom activities, this month we heard from the Grade 8 team

- Grade 8 highlights include

- a) Focus on developing skills in Math, Science, English Language Arts and Social Studies
- b) Utilizing Career and Technology Foundations courses, a excellent way to introduce students to the concept of career specialization
- c) In Science, students are learning about fresh water and salt water systems, testing and sample taking techniques which will later be put into practice for upcoming field trips
- d) Physics concepts like mass and the flow of mater, light and optical systems, lenses and the direction light takes and ways to manipulate it
- e) Biology concepts like cells and systems in the human body
- f) Humanities and Social Studies, a focus on Japan in particular as a unique example of isolation and adaptation in development of their society
- g) The Renaissance period, learning how ideas and knowledge spread and influence cultures, and how we can still see examples of this influence today
- h) Aztec and Spanish – a study of how opposing world views can lead to conflict
- i) English Language Arts, students continue to develop their writing skills, exploring different techniques like narrative and prose, as well as managing information, summary and concise detailed content
- j) Overall goal is to look for ways to blend areas of study together, overlapping concepts to encourage students to take notice how areas of knowledge can relate to each other

5. Principals Report / Playground Discussion – 6:07pm start

- a) 3 vendor quote bids have been submitted, tonight we will review them as a group
- b) Will be located on North side of building, there is still space preparations ongoing, with landscaping and sodding to be completed first prior to beginning construction
- c) 1st Vendor Proposal - Habitat Systems Inc. - \$258K price
- d) 2nd Vendor Proposal – Park And Play - 238K price
- e) 3rd Vendor Proposal – Canadian Recreation Solutions – 250K price
- f) Each vendors designs were shown to audience and general discussion regarding pro's and con's of each design occurs
- g) All 3 vendors have worked with CBE on other playground projects and are aware of CBE's guidelines and requirements for playground designs with student and public safety in mind
- h) Natasha presents a report of different playground equipment suggestions collected from council members

Prairie Sky School

201 Skyview Ranch Rd NE Calgary, AB, T3N 2E7

School Council Meeting – April 24, 2023, 5:45 pm,

School Council Meeting

- i) Comments made about future expandability options, what spaces are available to extend into and what layout would look like when including planned natural feature gathering area
- j) Tentative construction timeline would be benefits of Spring vs Summer start and the necessity of having the landscape and sodding portion done first
- k) Topic of potential cost overruns, increase in materials cost, we're in a unique and privileged position to have access to this \$250k government grant, this is not something all schools receive, and if so it's often for a lesser amount
- l) After further discussion a final decision is made to select Canadian Recreation Solutions, this selection allows us to lock in current price and we can invite a company representative to attend a future meeting for a more detailed and in person build proposal presentation
- m) Mona mentions a parent volunteer committee specific to the playground build is a requirement, much interest expressed from those present to be members

6. Various Motions / Financial Update – Fundraising – 6:47pm start

- Bank Account Balance – about \$5000
 - a) Motion made to cover \$2600 costs of Kernal's fundraiser, Leslie put forth and Melody seconded, once costs are covered we're looking at about \$887 total profit
 - b) Final account balance after Kernal's costs are covered - \$2863
- Healthy Hunger
 - a) 1st event is planned for May, Mike has experience with it and has seen average profits of \$250 - \$400 per event
- Snack Shack
 - a) Planning to execute first event in May, Jenna has volunteered to organize menu list and do the shopping at Costco
 - b) Jenna makes motion to allocate \$500 from council funds to go towards Snack Shack purchases, 2nd by Donald *Further motions made to increase amount later in May via email's and after successfully running first event, running out of stock early, showing potential future growth and success of this activity, motion to increase to \$1500 made and 2nd, email's attached*
 - c) Discussion of Costco membership and using Costco credit card, if we will be doing this regularly and will be spending a lot, we want to maximize and rewards

7. Next Meeting Schedule

- a) May 23, 2023 @ 5:45pm(Tuesday)
- b) June 12, 2023 @ 5:45pm (Monday) - Final meeting of year, council will present a summary of activities

Prairie Sky School

201 Skyview Ranch Rd NE Calgary, AB, T3N 2E7

School Council Meeting – April 24, 2023, 5:45 pm,

School Council Meeting

and accomplishments.

8. Meeting adjourns – 6:59 pm – Brintey adjourns meeting

Re: Motion to Amend Snack Shack Purchase Limit from April 24 2023 Prairie Sky School Council Meeting

Daria T. Stooke <daria@mnemonist.ca>

Tue 2023-05-16 6:34 PM

To: Nina Mallare <nina.mallare0305@gmail.com>

Cc: Leslie Whitehead <lwhitehead0711@gmail.com>; Laura Daigle <Lauradaigle13@icloud.com>; Brittany Bennett <bbennett@surgeenergy.ca>; Melodie Gilker <melli838@hotmail.com>; Natashaishani01@gmail.com <Natashaishani01@gmail.com>; Donald Bottomley <Donald.bottomley@outlook.com>; Jenna Gutierrez <jenna.gutierrez@fortisalberta.com>

Me too, if my vote counts

Sent from my iPhone

On May 16, 2023, at 17:58, Nina Mallare <nina.mallare0305@gmail.com> wrote:

Yes!

Nina Mallare

On May 16, 2023, at 5:33 PM, Leslie Whitehead <lwhitehead0711@gmail.com> wrote:

Nina - are you seconding the motion?

On Tue, May 16, 2023, 5:31 p.m. Laura Daigle <lauradaigle13@icloud.com> wrote:

I am in favour.

Laura Daigle

> On May 16, 2023, at 5:20 PM, Nina Mallare <nina.mallare0305@gmail.com> wrote:

>

> 🙋

>

> Nina Mallare

>

>> On May 16, 2023, at 5:03 PM, Leslie Whitehead <lwhitehead0711@gmail.com> wrote:

>>

>>

>> In order to purchase more product to sell in our Snack Shack, I will motion to increase our original approved spending limit (from the April 24, 2023 council meeting) from \$500 to \$1500.