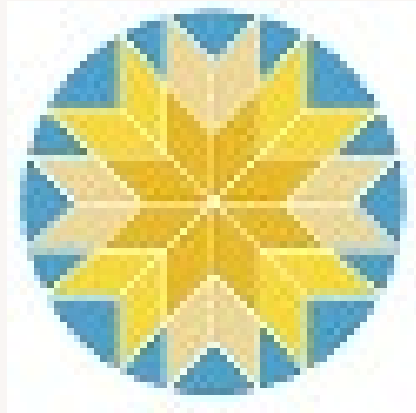


PRAIRIE SKY SCHOOL COUNCIL 2023-2024 YEAR-END REPORT



AGENDA

2023-2024 School Council Team

Meeting Lookbacks

Key Learnings

Key Successes

Fundraising Balance

Plans and Goals for next year

Thank you!



2023/2024 SCHOOL COUNCIL TEAM

BRITTANY BENNETT – CHAIR
LAURA DAIGLE – VICE CHAIR
MELODY GILKER – VICE CHAIR
NINA MALLARE – TREASURER
LESLIE WHITEHEAD – TREASURER
DON BOTTOMLEY – SECRETARY
JENNA GUTIERREZ - MEDIA

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

September

- Admin discussed current numbers & registration, new hires, field trips & volunteers
- SC Voted to create a new executive role for Social Media and elected Jenna Gutierrez to the role
- SC Voted on PSSC purchasing a “Prairie Sky School” branded awning for the school for events
- SC Discussed fundraising plans for the year

October

- Teacher Share: Learning Leaders [Amandeep Sanghera (inclusive education), Anna Breuer (Literacy), Jasmyn Kennedy (PE and Well-being), Aften Ballem (Holistic Lifelong Learning), Georgia Ferguson (Holistic Lifelong Learning), Natalie Chung (EAL), Jasdeep Rai (mathematics)]
- Admin discussed health curriculum; student led conferences & Halloween
- SC discussed follow up from September meeting (Social Media) & ongoing fundraising plans

November

- Teacher Share: Grade 7 & Physical Education
- Admin discussed safe walk program, playground update, student led conferences, Grade 8&9 Bamfield trip & the official school opening planned for April
- SC discussed snack shack plans, a school council table for the student led conference night & a potluck for the teachers for that evening as well as other fundraising efforts

December

- Teacher Share: Grades 3 & 4
- Admin discussed and update on safety (specifically at drop off & pick up related to traffic), and an update on the fencing.
- SC formed a Fundraising Society, the executive members of such society being the same as the SC.
- FS had an extensive discussion of fundraising efforts and plans going forward

January

- Teacher Share: Kindergarten & Grade 1
- Admin discussed report cards, lacrosse opportunity, upcoming cyber night for parents as well as notified that the School Development Plan has been published on the school's website
- SC discussed how Social Media is going
- FS discussed fundraising efforts and plans

February

- Teacher Share: Grade 9 & Music
- Admin discussed the walking school bus, PSS gear, and the School Development Plan along with the survey related to the SDP
- FS discussed fundraising efforts and plans, a survey to parents requesting feedback on fundraisers & splitting grades for snack shack days

March

- Teacher Share: Grade 2
- Admin discussed student led conferences, the Grade 8&9 Bamfield trip & the upcoming book fair
- SC discussed the potential of a 'get spotted' campaign to promote safe travel to and from school
- Open floor for parent contributions & questions
- FS discussed fundraising efforts including FUN lunch, snack shack & Blue Grass

April

- Teacher Share: Grade 8
- Admin discussed the official school opening, the CBE modular project planned for next year, class size challenges, traffic update, bike safety workshop plans & PATs
- SC discussed a food drive
- SC/FS volunteer list being formalized
- Open floor for parent contributions & questions
- FS discussed fundraising efforts and plans, including FUN lunch, snack shack & Blue Grass.
- FS is now incorporated, motion passed to apply for Alberta Gaming Licensee eligibility

May

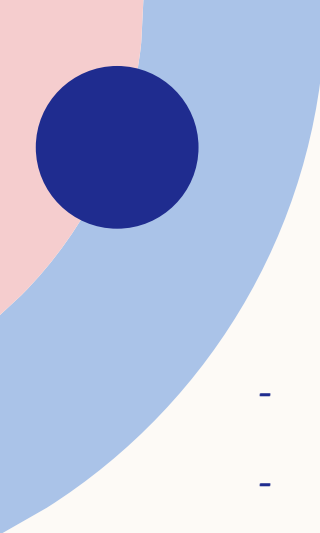
- Teacher Share: Grades 5 & 6
- Admin discussion
- SC reviewed the calendar for the next school year to choose meeting dates and a call for materials was made for the year-end report
- Open floor for parent contributions & questions
- FS discussed fundraising efforts to date & the remaining items planned for this year

June (planned)

- Admin discussion
- SC year-end report
- Open floor for parent contributions & questions
- FS to discuss any outstanding matters that need to be addressed prior to year-end

KEY LEARNINGS FROM THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

- Lessons learned on organization for both Snack Shack & FUN Lunches. With each event we received valuable feedback and have adjusted so these activities are not as disruptive to the learning environment as they were in the beginning
- Progress made on recruiting volunteers, will continue to advocate and make volunteer opportunities accessible and easy to sign up for
- Will ensure events are calendared and planned further in advance



KEY SUCCESSES FROM THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

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- Purchase of the school branded awning for sports and other events
- Contribution to speaker/presenter Mackenzie Brown attending the school for an assembly
- Earmarked a fund to be utilized for families unable to afford field trip costs or similar (to work with Admin for the use of this fund)
- Increase volunteerism
- Created a strong social media presence
- Created Fundraising Society and working towards having the society participate in Casino fundraising activities
- Continued to foster the feeling of community as our new school settles in, being a visible presence in the school
- Enjoyed the information shared by the teachers and admin during SC meetings
- Diversified Fundraising activities including but not limited to FUN Lunches, Snack Shack, Skip the Depot, COBBS Bread, FundScrip, Blue Grass

FUNDRAISING BALANCE AT YEAR-END

As of the end of May 2024 our bank balance is \$8,538.91 with other activities planned prior to the end of the school year. A summary of certain events from the past year below:

October FUN Lunch - \$289.69

November FUN Lunch - \$234.25

January FUN Lunch - \$217.60

February/March FUN Lunch - \$205.40

May FUN Lunch - \$279.49

Blue Grass - \$259.50

Snack Shack & Candygrams - ~\$1950.00 (receipts still out, product still to sell and two events left this year)

Will receive year end payouts from COBBs Bread, FundScrip and Skip the Depot

PLANS AND GOALS FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

- AGM in September to elect/re-elect executive (all positions up for re-election apart from Social Media)
- Increase overall organization of fundraising events
- Continue to work on attracting new volunteers
- Work with the Admin team to continue to use the funds we've raised towards our goal of enriching the experience of the students at Prairie Sky School
- Continue the success of the Social Media presence to ensure the school community is engaged and aware of our efforts
- Support the teachers, Admin team, staff and students at Prairie Sky School in a meaningful way
- Continue to be engaged with the Admin team on the School Development Plan, activities and other goings on at the school that we as a team can provide input on



**THANK YOU FOR
YOUR EFFORTS THIS
YEAR!**