

Georges P. Vanier/ Routhier School Joint Council Meeting

Zoom Meeting

Monday, April 4, 2022

Attendance: Carolyn Giroux: VP GP Vanier, Monique Dubrule: VP Routhier, Pam Heckbert: Principal GP Vanier, Tara Lea, Stephanie Staudinger, Wendy Tokarz, Alyssa Pollard, Karin Scholl, Lynn Skrepnek

1. Treaty Acknowledgement / Call to Order / Welcome & Introductions

Tara called the meeting to order at 7:09pm.

2. Review / Additions / Approval of Agenda

Wendy to approve agenda.

3. Review/Approval of March 7, 2022 Minutes

Stephanie to approve minutes of March meeting.

4. Financial Reports: No change.

Routhier: \$1706.28, Vanier: \$1832.40

5. Old Business: None

6. School Reports:

a. Routhier Principal Report

What's new at Routhier:

Semaine de la francophonie - 14th-18th: We had an assembly, completed a school wide quilt activity (students decorated their own square representing the francophone culture to them). We had a presentation from Bill Bistolle about dinosaurs. Students toured the town of Falher looking for Friggoo - the mascot. His picture was hiding in various business windows.

Gr. 4-6 went skiing on the 17th - thank you to all parents who were able to help out.

Career day was the 18th.

Our community consultation meeting was the 28th. Thank you to all community members who were able to attend.

We were able to support a grade 12 student in offering her an opportunity to job shadow a few EAs in our building.

The certified staff was able to complete our first aid training last week.

Gr. 6 parent meeting regarding their Edmonton field trip was on the 31st. Information will be shared with parents.

We are still continuing with the school radio announcement every three weeks. Links to the announcements can be found on the school website or River Country (94.9 FM) and KIX FM (106.1 FM).

Monthly GSA meetings are continuing with Mr, Henri and gr. 4,5,6 students who are interested.

Yoga with Mme Turcotte is on the calendar for students during lunch.

In April - gr. 4,5,6 students will have an opportunity to join volleyball practices after school. Gr. 4 Tuesdays, 5 Wed, 6 Thurs.

Kindergarten and Maternelle parent information meeting will be held on April 6 at 7 pm at the school.

No school the 15 and 18.

Science in Motion activities are taking place this month for some classes.

The joes presentation is planned for April 28th.

Class group photos will be on April 20th.

April 21st is the hand games tournament in High Prairie.

We are continuing with our collaborative response model meetings.

Hippie day is scheduled for the 28th as well as our first assembly. Parents are welcome to attend.

b. Vanier Principal Report

March Highlights

-Collaborative Response Model-we continue to meet regularly for targeted intervention

- Other Clubs/Activities Running: GSA, Minecraft, Choir, Rockband, Art, Intramurals, Robotics Club
- Cree Classes on Tuesdays ended on March 29
- Junior and Seniorphys-ed did soccer clinic with Rob Mathys
- March 7-10-YoWoCHas
- Alberta Education Assurance Surveys are currently out-Students/parents in grades 4,7,10
- March 10-Ski Trip-Grade 7,8,10-63 students participated
- March 11-PD Day for Teachers
- March 15-Survivor will begin for all students-2 challenges per week
- March 15--Girls exploring Trades and Technology Camp-Virtually-woodworking, made sushi, and special effects makeup.
- March 17-Shamrock Day-Golden Coin hunt and Minute to Win it Activities in the Gym-first time all together in 2 years.
- March 18-Career Day with Routhier-oops
- March 21-25-Spring Break
- March 28-Community Consultation Night at GPV
- March 28-April 1-La semaine de la Francophonie-activities and French trivia
- March 30-Elder Herman Sutherland came and taught hand games to our students.

From the office of the Career Coach (Katie Ellwood)

Wellness

- Gay Straight Alliance (GSA)-is meeting weekly and working on some education pieces to put around the school
- Mr. Colin Colletis onsite bi-monthly for counseling services
- Thank you to our community partners IGA and Coop for helping us with the Breakfast club.
- 1:1 Wellness services have been utilized, Miss. Chelsea is focusing on relationships with new students to our school and continuing to build on the existing ones.

Upcoming Events

- April 4-5-Grades 7-8's go to Camp Nakamun
- April 5-Grad meeting
- April 5-COSC virtually
- April 11-14-Grade 9 and SH Band gone to Banff
- April 14-Easter Egg Hunt
- April 19-Report Cards go out
- April 21-PTI's in person 4-7, Grade 9 Course Selections and academic planning(gr.9's going into 10), ELAA (Educational Liaison Association of Alberta Presentation with 15 schools participating/attending from 1-3 and Hand games tournament in HP
- Week of April 19-22-Grades 7-11 will be writing their second round of HLATS marking on the 29th
- April 27-PTI-Virtual by appointment-link will be on the webpage

April 28- Hippie Day collaboratively with Routhier, The Joe(s) Social Media Presentation
April/May-Toy/Food Drive

c. Trustee Report

Community consultation, fairly well attended, people provided good information. Results of the questions will be shared. With this feedback planning will take place this weekend in High Prairie. Reminder about COSC tomorrow night. Virtual meeting. Will be going through the ASCA resolutions again as a division. Will be presenting the mental health proposal to the school councils in attendance. Would like to find a time to share here as well with those who cannot attend. Would like the information to reach as many parents as possible. Meetings with municipal counterparts (towns, villages, MDs) –topics =mental health proposal. Everyone was in support – signed a letter together in support which was shared with the health minister and the minister of education. This proposal was submitted before –about 2 years ago and it was rejected.

Rural caucus meeting and discussed issues such as transportation costs, curriculum roll out, insurance costs. Discussion around the learning loss over the past 2 years. Ideas about how to move forward.

Attended in person conference in Edmonton. Saw some great ideas shared –for example, a school who had low numbers (down to 42) –started a farm after a donation of a cow. Used donated money to build farm and all the kids have positions. Now the numbers of kids attending the school as increased to more than double. Alternate learning model. Wondering about ideas like this, are there things like this –innovative ideas we can do in this area. Public schools can offer all the things chattered schools are offering. If anyone has ideas please bring them forward to Karin or Lynn and they would be happy to bring forward to the board.

Possible ideas are a hybrid model...lots of ideas out there.

Reaching for every possible opportunity for each kid –can spread staff thin.

Access community resources for school staff and students.

Busing dilemma –long bus rides in HPSD. ? HPSD sharing busing with Ecole Heritage.

7. New Business

a. ASCA Conference / AGM – Registrations from our councils

Anyone want to attend? –would be nice to have a voting person for each school. Virtual only. April 22-24. Alyssa will attend. Tara will attend. Room for 1 more from each school to attend if anyone would like.

- b. HPSD Council of School Council AGM -reminder, meeting tomorrow night. Will send link out. Will be discussing mental health proposal.
- c. **Social Media Seminar – Fix motion so it meets the protocol. Planned for April 28th.**

Motion from Tara: I would like to move that GPV and EcoleRouthier joint school council to pay for Joe Social media to come to our schools to do a social media presentation. To be paid for by the two \$500 school council engagement grants and the remainder to be paid for from school council generated funds with a 2/3 GPV, 1/3 Routhier split.

Motion second by Alyssa.

Vote on motion: vote passed. No opposition.

To start sharing the information now to get a big turnout.

- d. RFES Casino – June 8 & 9 –looking for volunteers. Put out to the community –looking for volunteers. On facebook. Cheryl Reed is a good contact and Tara as well is involved.
- e. Partnering with High Prairie Schools for seminars? ?partnering with another school council to take an ASCA seminar. There may be funding for ASCA workshops that we can still access –HPSD approved 3 workshops.
- f. Is at school Childcare needed for council meetings?
Is Meeting time/day ok?
Bring your kids to the meeting and then an older kid would watch them in the gym or arts and crafts. Yes, great idea, hopefully more parents can come.
Meeting time and day: would anyone like to keep it the same all the time or be more flexible based on schedule? Keep it Monday at 7pm.

8. Next Meeting/Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:33pm. Next meeting May 2, 2022 at 7:00 in person at Routhier in the meeting room with a zoom link.