

IMS Parent Council Meeting

November 28th, 2023

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Attendance: Ted Hutchings, Andrea Meding, Holly Bilton Sabrina Matt, Colleen Braithwaite, Jennifer Wood, Pam Dow, and Jonathan Pepper (recorder)

Agenda:

1. **Call to order** – 18:00 hours
2. **Approval/Additions of November Agenda**
 - Coaches/Athletic Communication
 - Sabrina Matt approved; 2nd Andrea Meding, Carried
3. **Approval of minutes from October meeting**
 - Sabrina Matt adopted minutes from October 17th, 2023; 2nd Colleen Braithwaite, Carried
4. **Business Arising from Minutes**
 - A. Gaga Pit Kinsmen request- email sent to Kinsmen regarding possible participation, waiting to hear a response back
5. **Reports**
 - A) School Trustee – Holly Bilton:
 - a. encouraged anyone interested to look at the Alberta School Council Association website, as there are many resources available. Some resources are require user name to access, each school council will get access as requested.
 - b. The 2024 School Councils Conference is April 26, 27, anyone interested in attending should contact school administration. The school division sponsors a limited number to attend each year.
 - c. Information sheet provided to the group on Chinook's Edge 3 recommendations for future implementation. [Chinooks Edge Division Information.pdf](#)
 - d. Parents Matter meetings are to be held in the new year. Previous attendees have received invitations. If you are interested in participating contact school administration.
 - B) Administration Report – Ted Hutchings

Events to Date

- Parent Teacher Conferences – October 25-26, 3:30-6:30
- Halloween Activities - October 31
- Remembrance Day Assembly - November 8 @ 10:00 a.m.
- Picture Retakes - November 8
- Fall Break - November 9-12
- Mustang Pride Recognition - November 17
- Book Fair - November 20-24

2. Athletics

- Successful volleyball season
- Basketball season has started

3. Events to Come

- Turkey Dinner - December 7
- Outdoor Club - tentative start date December 15 - Grade 5-6 Snowshoeing
- Christmas Break - December 23 - January 27

4. Admin Updates

- Numeracy Update

6. New Business

- A) Division Survey- feedback on the division communications.
<https://forms.gle/vgarRdAxzi8FULSRA>
- B) Communication in Athletics- Possible use of team snap app for parents and coaches. Frustration was expressed with the limited communication between athletics director and families for Volleyball and Basketball. Ted Hutchings to look into same
- C) Potential of creating a stipend for community coaches volunteering with school sports teams. An estimate was brought forward that the gr 7th girls volleyball coach this season volunteered over \$1,000 to the team if you consider time (at minimum wage) and milage. This coach did not have any children/family on the team. Request received to fund \$250 to community coaches to promote a culture of strong athletics in the younger grades.
Discussion was held regarding spending on athletics programs vs other programing. Also discussion around balance in accounts to help determine budgeting.
Item tabled until more information is available and everyone has time to consider.

7. Next Meeting Dates: January 9th, 2023 @ 18:00 hrs

8. Adjournment: 18:59 hrs