

## IMS School Council Meeting

September 10 @ 6pm – Innisfail Middle School

Google Meet Link: <http://meet.google.com/iiv-pdbc-daz>

Attendance: Scott Stefanek, Andrea Meding, Holly Bilton, Colleen Braithwaite, Jennifer Wood, Tannis Sparks, Leanna Moore, Erin Ouellette, Colleen Dymont-Begeman, Ashley Tams, Joy Milne, Kristen Strand, Zita Kennedy, Lorraine Dingman, Janelle Carey, Viktoria Stuart, Jonathan Pepper (recorder)

### **Agenda:**

**1.Call to order-** 18:04 hours

**2. Additions/Approval of June Agenda-** No additions. Colleen approves June's agenda, Jennifer seconds.

**3. Approval of minutes from March meeting-** Colleen approves March's agenda, Jennifer seconds.

### **4.Business Arising from Minutes**

- a) Gaga pits: Kinsmen request and Innisfail community grant status update. Kinsmen have been emailed for follow up. Kinsmen have not yet officially approved. School Maintenance has provided a quote for a complete Gaga pit for \$1800.

### **5.Reports**

#### **a. Holly Bilton – School Trustee**

- Provincial Government has provided Chinooks edge school district with 1.1 million in funding. The funds are going towards extra teachers. Additional money may come for chrome books within the district.

- Chinooks edge board superintendent has announced retirement.

#### **b. Administration Report**

- Collaborative Problem Solving (CPS)- Day in August and day in October- Led by Matt Sticksl.
- Kickoff party for students- leadership style activities for students to get to know each other.
- Cell phones- Students are not allowed cell phone use during school hours. So far it has gone well.
- Bring your own Device (BYOD)- Grades 7 and 8 program. 80% of students have brought their own device.
- Cross Country has started- Currently 20 students participating.
- Terry Fox run happening on Sept 19<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon.
- Orange Shirt Day
- Remembrance Day
- EA model- Moving to a "flex model". This model will empower EAs to attend different classes, and students throughout the day.
- Big Brothers & Sisters program for students- Potential for the program to return to IMS.
- Library Tracy-Anne & Mascot & meeting with all classes grades 5-8.

- Student Support lead (SSL) Role. This role works along side teachers in the classroom and instructs teachers and EAs.
- Swimming for Grade 5s have started.
- Volleyball- There will be a combined Grade 6/7 team and a grade 8/9 team. Currently looking for coaches.
- Bikes on property- Students are being asked to walk their bike on school property.

## **6. New Business**

a. ideas to reduce barriers for participation – should we continue with childcare and pizza for meetings. Motion to continue childcare and pizza, with pizza costs up to \$80 dollars per meeting. Motion by Andrea, Colleen second, all in favor.

b. better communication about sports programs within IMS. Discussion around how parents can assist with sports programs. E.g., Coaching, scheduling etc. Athletic director is current off on leave. Discussion around the school posting via Facebook about when sports are happening, and if parental volunteering is needed.

c. Parent and student interest in supporting the Nakiska ski trip for all grades again this year. Parents within parent council expressed interest in assisting to coordinate the ski trip for this year.

d. Math program- Parents express concern that child's math scores drop year to year. Consideration given to comparing overall math scores with other school, districts etc. May be able to compare Grade 6 PAT scores year to year to evaluate possible math score trends. Discussion held regarding current resources to assist with math within the school.

## **7. Next Meeting- October 8<sup>th</sup> 2024 @ 18:00hrs**

## **8. Adjournment- 18:52hrs**