

Horace Allen School Council Meeting **Tuesday, January 21, 2020 - 6:00PM** CHAIR: Sarah Thompson - 403-563-7369 VICE CHAIR: Nicole Stafford Secretary: Kim Uhersky

Treasurer: Anke Gravel



Horace Allen School Council Mission: 'To foster the well-being and effectiveness of our school community and to enhance student learning'

HASC MINUTES

- 1. School Report and Trustee's Report part of Tri-School Meeting
 - a. School Promotional videos presented
 - b. Trustee Report reviewed the Board of Trustee Key Messages from January 8, 2020
 - c. Drama program Miranda Davis. Drama production opportunity. 1-hour production of Beauty is a Beast
 - i. Will need volunteer assistance to make this possible will need committed volunteers by February 7
 - ii. Can be reached at <u>davismi@lrsd.ab.ca</u>
 - d. School Reports HAS School Report attached
 - e. Systems Mapping John Taylor. Review of process for Learning for Life Initiative and presentation of next steps.

IN ATTENDANCE AT HAS MEETING

Nicole Stafford, Vice Chair Anke Gravel, Treasurer Kim Uhersky, Secretary Mallory Banting Jennifer Aris Elaine Garner, Principal Myrna Dembicki, Vice Principal Leslie Margetak Tina Smith Stacey Bole

2. CALL TO ORDER

- a. Call for additions/amendments to agenda
- b. Approval of Agenda motion to approve made by Nicole, 2nd Tina, carried.
- 3. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES
 - a. Date of previous meeting: November 19, 2019 motion to approve the minutes made by Tina, 2nd Nicole, carried.
- 4. CORRESPONDENCE (Nicole Stafford)
 - a. Fundraising options
- 5. FINANCIAL REPORT (Anke Gravel) motion to approve the financial report made by Kim, 2nd Jennifer, carried.

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Parent Worker Bee Committee no update
- b. Hot Lunch Committee no response yet from Subway, or Charlie Biggs. Still working on it.

- c. After-School Events Leap Year Dance Friday, Feb 28, 2020 5:30pm 7:30pm.
 - i. DJ HiWay Productions is hired for \$300.
 - ii. Motion that the entrance fee is by donation made by Nicole, 2nd by Mallory, carried.
 - iii. Pizza, cookies, water, chocolate milk, juice boxes. Tina to approach some businesses to see if we can get a deal.
 - iv. Chocolate milk through the nutrition grant amount will depend on availability
 - v. Motion to spend up to \$200 on swag prizes for the family dance made by Nicole, 2nd by Mallory, carried.
- d. In-School Events no update
- e. School Grounds/Outdoor Classroom
 - i. Still waiting for next plan to be developed (site map)
 - ii. Some grants have been approved
- f. Fundraising
 - i. Mabels Labels end of campaign is end of January. Will extend it indefinitely.
 - ii. Perogies carry over to next year
- g. Recycling Updates
 - i. Pricing review of recycling options
 - ii. Motion that School Council pay for recycling pick up for up to \$300 per school year made by Mallory, 2nd by Nicole, carried.
- 7. BUSINESS
 - a. HAS School Council Bylaws Review Special Council meeting scheduled for February 11 at 6:30pm at HAS
- 8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
 - a. Food items for the dance Sarah to report back
- 9. NEXT MEETING DATE
 - February 11, 2020 at 6:30pm Special Council Meeting to review the HAS School Council Bylaws
 - b. March 17, 2020 at 6pm Tri-School Meeting at HAS
 - c. Meeting adjourned 7:55pm

Report To School Council January 21, 2020

A warm welcome to the following new staff at HAS:

- Shirley Graham head custodian
- Karen Block housekeeper (covering for Angela Jurouloff's leave)
- Kelly Labun K3 teacher
- Emily Manzer Early Learning (PUF) EA at Kid's Kollege

Ski Program / Outdoor Learning / Skating

Gr. 1-3 students will ski Jan 23, 30, Feb. 6 and 13. Alternate Outdoor Learning will be provided by Ms. Dembicki for those not skiing.

K will begin their skating program - K1/3 Jan. 20, 27 and Feb. 7; K2 - Jan. 23,30, and Feb. 6

One Book, Five Schools

Thanks to funding from TC Energy, we are about to launch the 7th annual family reading project. The other 4 schools involved are ISS, Livingstone (Lundbreck), Canyon and St. Michael's (Pincher Creek). This year 850 books were ordered for families and staff involved, and the title will be revealed at the kick-off assembly Jan. 27, 2:00 at HAS. All families will receive their books on the 27 or 28th, along with a reading schedule. Pure Country radio will have a call in trivia question one day/week for each school.

Aquaponics Update

The systems in LRSD schools were provided through grant money from the Fort Macleod Community Aquaponics Greenhouse Society. Some schools have planted, grown, and harvested plants to eat. Ours was the last to be established in the district, and the microbes in the water are almost at levels where we can start planting seeds. We currently have 5 Koi and 1 Plecostomus helping establish the system. The program funding is coming to an end, but a majority of supplies have been provided, and the staff person who is helping establish/maintain systems is available for our school about once/week. The hope is that we can start planting by the end of January. During the establishment phase, the aquaponics system has not involved many students. Once the growing begins, students will learn more about the system, and the fish who provide the growing nutrients.

LAND and Outdoor Learning classes Update

Cross-curricular lessons continue weekly, and Dec/Jan topics have covered topics such as identifying various conifer trees and then discovering what type we have on our school grounds, identifying and determining the difference between wild and domestic animals, naming the places we use, and personal safety in extreme winter weather. Students seem to be looking forward to these classes that are held on our school grounds or in Flummerfelt Park. Parent volunteers have been very generous by helping us meet our insurance ratios when going to the park. Only once has the class been held inside due to weather since starting in September.

Grade 1 teachers have materials prepared to teach their language arts classes outside as weather permits. This involves laminated materials that can be reused, books and games that can weather the weather. They also go outside for the last hour on Thursdays for various learning activities. Grade 2 classes strive to teach science outside once weekly.

Upcoming Staff Professional Development Days

Jan 31 - Keith Heyburn, OT from AB Health Services will provide staff with an inservice related to sensory regulation, and support staff in looking at how to create a 'sensory diet' for students.

Feb 7 - Sharon Pelech from U of Lethbridge will work with CCHS, ISS and HAS staff as each school moves forward with Place Based Learning.

New Website including HAS Promotional Video -available at www.horaceallenschool.ca

Upcoming February Events:

Feb 15 - 23 February break for students Feb. 20 and 21 - Teacher's Convention (Lethbridge) Feb 28 - LAND Day

November 19, 2019 to January 20, 2020 Actual Balance at November 19, 2019			\$6,394.34
	Details	Date	Amount
Expenses from	HAS Knitting Club (Stacey Hildebrandt) -	2019-11-20	-\$100.00
	DJ for 'Leap Year Dance' at HAS on Febr.	1-7-2020	-\$300.00
Income from	Mabel's Labels Fundraiser	2019-12-17	\$12.54
	HAS Tshirt for Breakfast Club Helper	2019-12-18	\$10.00
Balance at January 20, 2020			\$6,016.88
Committed Future Expenses			
Uncommitted Balance at January 20,			\$6,016.88
General Account Balance - \$5216.88			
Hot Lunch Balance - \$800.00			
School Council Childcare Account - \$0.00		•	