

VPE Parent Council

June 7, 2021

Present – Tracy Inaba, Tina Reimer, Shila Provost, Nancy Nolan, Jody Le Maitre, Mary Ann Fath, Amanda Gauthier, Kelly Wickstrom, Alicia Earl, Marla Lovya,

Meeting called to order – 6.33

Agenda Approved –

Minutes read – motion to approve – Shila, second Amanda, motion passed

Principles message – Please see attached!

Some teachers will not be returning next year, new announcements coming soon

EA hours same -

Restructure of Classes –

2 kindergarten classes– Meehan

3 gr ½ classes – Bianchini, Giesbrecht, New Teacher

1 grade 3 class - Thompson

3 grade 4/5 classes - Beagle, Dyck, Helland

1 grade 6 class - Dawson

Largest class size approx. 22

4 classes on north side, music room will move to the south end

Year end celebration – June 23/24

25- half day – awards assembly by google meet

Year end bbq – possibly 23rd

Grade 6 send off – celebration at school. Tour of high school

Track Meet – This Wednesday/Thursday - thank you to volunteers, check the weather!!

One school – one book - going really well. Videos are available online. Check your email

Grade 5/6 fundraising efforts – inline skating rentals, ordering shirts

Trustee Report – Robert and Lorelei

Please see attached – Palliser will be running a deficit for the 2021/2022 school year

Treasures report – Shila Provost - \$29,221.13 in main account

School hot lunches – will hopefully do the end of year bbq

Robert lee – has stepped away from president, Tina will chair meetings until agm in Sept.

Meeting adjourned – 7.15

Casino Meeting

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Minutes approved as read

Marla – casino report

Update on spending rules. Funds can be kept past their normal due date as future casino dates will be pushed back.

Treasures report – \$19,791.44

Report due to aglc – July 7

Date set for agm –

Tuesday, September 14th 6.30 VPE – hopefully inside!!

Meeting adjourned 7.22

New funding announced for literacy – change?

Praireview School Council Meeting June 7, 2021

Highlights of Board of Trustees Meeting Tues, May 25, 2021

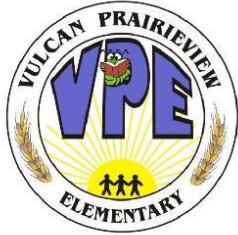
2021-2022 Budget Approval: The Palliser School Division Board of Trustees passed a motion to accept the 2021-2022 Budget as presented. The 2021-2022 budget will see services maintained at present levels but with a deficit projected to be approximately \$1.5 M dollars. The Board will request permission from the Minister to utilize its reserves to bring the budget to a balanced state. The Board is pleased that funding was maintained at the current rate but is concerned that funding for student growth and increases in costs are not being met and are putting a strain on the education system. Palliser is projecting modest student enrollment growth next year, this compiled with an 7.85% increase in the Alberta School Employee Benefit Plan costs and the yearly staff salary grid increases have contributed to the deficit budget. The Board's utilization of its limited reserves for the 2021-2022 budget year is a short-term solution but the Board strongly believes that this approach will benefit Palliser students, families and staff following a very challenging school year and addresses the unknown factors as it enters into the school year next fall.

English as a Second Language in Palliser: The Palliser School Division continues to see a rise in the number of English Language Learners across the entire division. There are almost 3,300 students identified this year which is an increase of 137 students over last year. This number is not reflective of the international students coming to study in Canada. Palliser leads the development of an early language assessment program that has been shared with other school divisions and with Alberta Education. Palliser schools and the Division work with multiple agencies to support new families coming to Canada. Palliser School Division celebrates the diversity of the people in its schools and provides professional learning opportunities for the staff to support the diversity.

Inclusive Education and Wellness: The Palliser School Division has maintained a high level of service to students and families as the students have transitioned between learning at home and in-class learning during COVID. There has been successful capacity building through ongoing, virtual learning opportunities for both students, their families and Palliser staff. Schools continue to place strong emphasis on mental health promotion and prevention. Now, more than ever the collaboration between schools and community partnerships is essential in supporting student learning and wellness.

The next meeting of the Palliser Board of Trustees is June 15, 2021.

Any questions or concerns please contact Robert Strauss (403) 485-1758 or Lorelei Bexte (403) 485-0823.



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School Council Principal's Report - June 7, 2021

Discussion Items:

1. Staffing update
 - Kate Ward & Faren Honess have been on a leave of absence for this year and have resigned their positions.
 - Kelly Wickstrom has been on a temporary contract and has decided not to return.
 - Ashley Kopustas has resigned.
 - That left us with 2.5 positions to fill.
 - EA hours remain similar to this year with a slight decrease.
2. Class restructuring for next year
3. Year end celebration - Will be working on the specific details of this tomorrow afternoon at our staff meeting.
 - Will involve some free time at the pool with hopefully some waterslide time!
 - Things other than swimming are still in the works.
 - Cohort 1 will be on June 23; Cohort 2 will be on June 24
 - Shaved ice truck??
 - June 25 - year end awards and clean-up
4. Grade 6 celebration/send-off
 - Will be doing a reverse parade for our grade 6s. Grade 6s will be in their designated spots on the afternoon of June 21. Classes will parade past them (at a safe distance and at a scheduled time) and have different props/catch phrases to make the celebration bigger. Still working out some of the details.
 - Planning on taking them over to the high school for a tour on June 23 & June 24.
5. Track Meet 2021
 - June 9 & 10 at the field at CCHS. Thanks to those who have volunteered to help. To ensure we are meeting COVID-19 restrictions, only those who are volunteering and are assigned specific jobs can be there to watch. All COVID-19 rules apply including masking and sanitizing.
6. One School, One Book
 - It's going wonderfully! Thanks to Mary Ann for all her work and to Cathy for doing all the read alouds!