
*Smith School Parent and Community Advisory Group
Meeting Agenda*

Wednesday April 14, 2023 @12:30 pm

1.0 CALL TO ORDER- 1:10pm

2.0 INTRODUCTIONS

3.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

(Members may request items to be added to the agenda at this time)

4.0 REPORTS

4.1 Trustee Report- Brenda Fulmore

4.2 Principals Report (see attached)

5.0 NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Gaga Ball- updates

- the student council will be working on a letting in the upcoming month to send to Vanderwell's to ask for supply donations.

Vanderwell might be able to make the steel brackets so we will ask in the letter also.

- 1X8 vinyl is around \$80/board so we will be using lumber instead and raising it a bit off the ground

5.3 Library Book Update

- donation from Spur received
 - Spur donated \$2000
 - Thank you to Chris for seeking out the donation for the school.

5.4 Kindergarten

- Open House on May 18, 2023 at 12:15pm
- Next year will be a trail year of only having kindergartens at school for 3 days a week instead of 5 days
 - Kindergartens will attend Monday, Wednesday and Friday

5.5 Next Year's Grade Configurations

- Next years Grade configurations will be K/1/2 (Kindergarten will be in a separate room with EA support), $\frac{3}{4}$, $\frac{5}{6}$, $\frac{7}{8}$, 9
 - allows for Grade 6 students to be moved back into the elementary end
 - allows for Grade 9 students to have a strong year of academics where the teachers can focus on one Grade instruction instead of a split Grade.

5.6 International Travel

- Looking into the cost of a 8 day trip to Hawaii.
- Will also look into other trip costs both domestic and international, since Hawaii might be a lot more.
- Once the estimated cost is submitted, Miss Hensch will bring the trips to a student vote to help pick which one, then she will write a proposal to the Board.
- Target date would be in about 2 years to allow for fundraising

5.7 Fundraising Ideas

- School will be doing Calihoo meats this spring. Order will be back in time for Father's Day
- Looking for ideas to think about for next year

- Grassland did a pepperonis and sausage one through Prairie Gourmet
- Christmas Cards- students design a card then sell them. A company will produce the card
- Possibly a Ham and Turkey Bingo
- Will create a spreadsheet for next year to ensure fundraising from all the groups at Smith School collaborate with each other and do not exhaust the community

5.8 Lockdown/Fire Procedures

- Miss Hensch will be working on creating a school volunteer package including the lockdown and fire procedures. Volunteers in the building during the lockdown were unaware of what to do.
- Look into a place that can inform students who are uptown during lunch if there is an emergency

8.0 NEXT MEETING-

May 30, 2023- this will be our year end wrap up meeting

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

2:55pm

*Smith School Parent and Community Member Meeting
Principal's Report*

April 2023

- Badminton for Grades 6-9 is running. Students are going to one more tournament. They went to a tournament at Thorhild and a few of our students made it to the Semi-Finals!
- We had another Lockdown drill right when the recess bell rang. It was very successful.
- Archery just ended. Today was the last tournament of the year. Students went to Provincials at the Sportsman Show in Edmonton. We had one student place 7th overall for their age group!
- Parent Teacher Interviews will be on April 20th. We will be sending home copies of report cards on April 28th so parents know what their child's marks are before the end of the year.
- Collaborative Response Meetings have started.

- Our school has started a new initiative to help reduce mean, rude and bullying behavior. Students are learning to use the Stop, Walk, Talk method when someone is making them feel uncomfortable.
- K-5 classes have been going to the Smith Library. We are hoping for the 6-9 students to go next month too. All students have a library card now.
- The Student's Union hosted a Spring Carnival for the students. It was a lot of fun, and a great way to end the day before Easter weekend.
- We are currently doing small group interventions for lower elementary students who need help with reading, and math.

Upcoming Dates:

- o **April 17- Council of School Council Meeting at Thorhild**
- o **April 20- Parent Teacher Interviews**
- o **April 21- Crazy Hair Day**
- o **April 25- Class Pictures, Kindergarten Grad Pictures, Grade 9 Grad Pictures**
- o **April 28- Report Cards Sent home**
- o **May 5- Farm Safety Presentations**
- o **May 8- Robotics Competition**
- o **May 9- Flag Raising Ceremony**
- o **May 15- Grade 9 Part A ELA PAT**
- o **May 17- Grade 6 Part A ELA PAT**
- o **May 19/22- No School**

- o **May 25- Kindergarten Open House**