

January 20th 2025 @6:30pm
Smith School Library

1.0 Call to order 6:42Pm

2.0 Introductions/ Attendance

Amber Hensch, Jennifer Fraser, Damon Ramer, Larissa Serson, Joral waye, Rebecca Weber.

3.0 Approval of agenda

1st Joral Waye

2nd Larissa Serson

4.0 Reports

4.1 Trustee Report-Brenda Fulmore

Not of attendance nothing to report

4.2 Principal Reports

Included in the agenda

4.3 Council of School Councils

The events will take place on May 15th in Grassland

Alberta School Council Association (ASCA) moving to a digital format this event will take place on the April 26th weekend

A lesser Slave Lake MD meeting will be taking Place on Feb 11th and Jen will be in attendance and hope to speak about grants and our hopes to build a new playground. But bringing with the perspective that it will be for the community.

5.0 New Business

5.1 Playground update

President Jen has had discussions with three playground companies

- Play Quest
 - They will be mailing Brochures to Smith School
 - They have put in the splash park in Slave lake so we know they are able to come to a more remote space.
 - They have a person who can help apply for grants
- Blue Imp
 - Minimal contact between company and Jen but is still in the process of having the communication
- Play Craft
 - Located in Nisku
 - They are willing to come out to Smith School to discuss the location, needs and wants with no financial obligation. And willing to come out with us not committing to that company
 - The company was originally a construction (GLVConstruction) company who put in playgrounds and had good success with Play craft and then worked independently with them.
 - Warranty with this company and with playcraft

- They will provide with detailed quote
- They have an employee who will help with grants
- They will provide a rendering of the playground so we can use it for fundraising and informational purposes.
- Topics to go over to get a full understanding from Play Quest
 - Knowing your Budget
 - Dream Playground (what that would look like)
 - They will help us with building this, and guiding us for this
 - Inclusivity and what that should look like
 - Thinking about the playground not just being from the school but for the community.
 - Timeline

5.2 FSLW- Supports offered for students and Families presented by Rebecca Weber

- Becca is paid by the Municipality district of lesser slave lake and Aspenview School District
- She supports students and families with wellness needs (academic, wellness, emotional. ETC.)
- She has introduced Kelso's choice to the kindergarten to grade 2 (provided by district)
 - She has given lesson in the classroom
 - Provided visual aids across the school
 - Students have been verbally reminded and have shown use of it.
- She supports with academic success
 - Providing fidgets for kids when they need it.
 - Encouraging motivational skills
 - Helping set goals with students
 - Communicating with staff, students and parents
- Becca is building a folder providing different support from neighbouring communities.
- Her practise is build on trust, confidentiality
 - If information needs to be shared she will ask permission from the party
 - Information is kept safe
 - Within the school Jen Borgen can be looped in as she is out of districts she is the student councilor.
- Parent sessions (\$1500)
 - District (Kim Carson) has given the Task to all FSL to use \$1500 to help support parents
 - This could be a informational season or multiple sessions
 - Live sessions
 - Recorded sessions

- The money could be put towards food and Childcare
- What do parents want to see?
 - Sending home a survey to get a grasp of what the community parents want to see.
- Ideas/topics the council had
 - Sessions on Burn out, Children, Teenagers, Phones, Homework
 - A parenting comedian
 - Someone who comes in a shares stories and advice in a funny manner
- How to make it a conversion and not providing the feeling of “be Better” to parents and guardians
- Student Sessions (\$500)
 - Similar to parents sessions but geared towards the students
 - More focus on
 - Bullying
 - Mental health
 - Internet safety
 - Completed before June 2025

5.3 Parent Wellness Presentations Ideas

Found within Point 5.2

5.4 Fundraising

- Looking for a big ticket item to sell raffle tickets to
 - Larissa Serson will be talking to Grizzly Ridge Honda and start that conversation with them
 - Donated items but also using some of the funds to help compensate for the business
 - Using this raffle around March April
 - Season tickets for a hockey game using this item as a October November Raffle the following Year.
- Silent Auctions at school events
 - Events like Tricksters in April, Indigenous Night in June, Maybe Open House depending on the Schools commitment of other fundraisers for different groups.
- Alberta Gaming Liquor License
 - Damon will be looking into this and states “will take 5 business days” this may be different now as that was in the past.
- Fall Fair
 - This will need to be discussed with SHARA
 - Discussed past events and other groups and what they did
 - Chicken Bingo (\$5 a square)
 - 50/50 tickets

- Shara in the past has raffled a horse off

7.0 Next Meeting

Feb 18th @1Pm in the school library

More details will follow if we can get the playground companies to come in.

8.0 Adjournment 7:50Pm

Parent Lighthouse Foundation Meeting

Jan 20th 2025

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1.0 Call to Order 7:50Pm

2.0 Attendance

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3.0 Reports

3.1 Financial

- \$3870.00 in the bank
- \$500.00 cheque from Aspen view
- Pembina Gas gave a cheque
Damon has made sure all our paperwork is complete and had Gracie Malone be the second check.
- The timeline of the Parent Lighthouse foundation is year by year September 1st 2024 to September 1st 2025
- Next expenses to come out in the next couple months
 - Little Caesars out costs
 - Insurance (end of April)

3.2 Fundraisers

- Little Caesars
 - Discussed past successes with this company and has started the process
 - Usually brings in \$650-\$850
 - Forms will be sent home early February
 - The dates this is running is Feb 3rd to March 3rd
 - We need 100 items to ship
 - Shipping will be sent to Smith school
 - There is an Online option with code being sent home
 - Credit cards can be used
 - There will be a charge Fee is used

3.3 Other Business

- Gaga Ball Thank yous
 - Amber McConaghy has sent those away
- Parent council Training sessions and what that would look like for our council
 - Other parent councils in our district have really enjoyed it.

4.0 Next Meeting

Will be held after the Parent council meeting on Feb 18th @1Pm

5.0 Adjournment 7:58Pm