

Wetaskiwin Composite High School
PAC Meeting
November 21, 2019

Attendance:

Melanie Krause
Nikole Buwalda
Vicki Weimer

Scott Millar
Shawn Willmott

Kris Denney
Leanne Axelsen

1. Welcome by Scott Millar
2. October meeting Minutes
 - Accepted as presented
3. **Business Arising:**
 - By-laws will be reviewed this year
4. **Reports:**
 - i. **Trustees' (Leanne Axelsen)**
 - Strategic Plan is available online
 - \$3.1 million deficit is incorrect due to, in part, insurance increase making the deficit \$3.3 million – looking for a solution to this
 - 306% increase in premiums
 - Using entire reserve to correct deficit this year
 - Jobs and classroom impact will be a no go until absolutely necessary
 - Looking to create a partnership
 - in the next 4 years to make a larger impact on the community
 - making the school a community hub not just a school
 - There will be mid-year changes coming in January
 - Anything that is being supplemented will be looked at as vulnerable
 - Please ask questions about any concerns you may have regarding the budget and the impact there might be on the students
 - May take time to make sure that we have all of the proper answers
 - ii. **Student Union (Darren Demone)**
 - November/December
 - Samaritans Purse shoe boxes – still happening
 - 12 Days of Christmas – setting up tree First of December
 - Stocking Stuffers for Seniors
 - Santa Pictures
 - iii. **Administrator's (Kris Denney)**
 - **Feedback from Parents**
 - How did it work having the report cards go online work for Parents?
 - Things seem to have gone well, very few asked for a paper copy
 - Paper copy will be printed for the student file at the school but no report cards will be sent home
 - Looking to find a way for parents to print a report card from PowerSchool

- The mark book shows the marks broken into Q1 (quarter 1) and Q2 (quarter 2) as well as S1 (semester 1). S1 is the cumulative mark for Q1 and Q2 and shows the semester mark
- School Data
 - High School completion went up
 - Did not improve on the PATS
 - Diploma results were good
- Accountability Pillar
 - Drop-out rate went down and is very low (high school completion)
 - ✓ We are below Provincial average for three-year completion
 - ✓ Fourth year we have a huge jump in completion
 - ✓ We will always have kids that need a fourth year to complete school
 - ✓ The goal is to get the three completion to 76%
 - Diploma marks are very good
 - ✓ Physics was 100% in acceptable once again this year
 - Parent involvement is good
 - PATS are not good
 - ✓ Dropped from 68% acceptable standard in 2018 to 63% in 2019
 - ✓ English dropped
 - 6% drop
 - ✓ Math grades are low here and, in the Province,
 - We had an increase this year but is still low
 - Worked on the parts of the math curriculum that needed work and became more focussed on fundamentals in Math
 - ✓ Social dropped
 - 4% drop
 - ✓ Science improved
 - ✓ We will continue to make the improvements that are needed

5. New Business:

- 2.1 teachers will be cut in January (semester 2)
 - Letter will be going out November 25
 - Some classes may be cancelled or combined with other classes to make efficiencies
 - Will not make changes to classes offered year long
- Meeting Dates for Parent meeting @7pm

January 23, 2020

February 20, 2020

April 16, 2020

May 28, 2020

6. Correspondence

7. Adjourned 8:35pm

Next meeting January 23, 2020 @ 7:00pm in the Conference Room in the Main Office

