

Wetaskiwin Composite High School Council
Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes
Monday, October 25th, 2021 @ 7:00 pm via Google Meet

ATTENDEES: *Mrs. Karen Elgert (Principal), Mr. Shawn Willmott (Vice Principal), Mrs. Charlene McFeely (Student Council Liaison), Heather Rasmuson (Chairperson), Kristine Belbeck (Vice chairperson), Sanet Dippenaar (Secretary), Deanna Didriksen (Casino Chairperson), Karla Whitehead, Denni Speth, Amanda/Greg Billings, Candice Elliot, Tracey Bredlow, Jennifer, Chantal Heichert, Lynn Ware, Laurie Andrusiak, Melanie Krause, June Boyda, Corazon Santos, Crystal Larson, (and phone number only displayed)*

1. Welcome and opening remarks

Heather Rasmuson opened the meeting at 7:02pm and welcomed everyone attending. Heather went over the agenda for the regular school council meeting and requested parents to stay for the Casino meeting after the regular school council meeting is adjourned.

2. Approval of Agenda

Heather Rasmuson reviewed the agenda as presented. Agenda for tonight's meeting (25 Oct. 2021) was approved with no further additions.

3. Approval of minutes (May 25, 2021)

Heather Rasmuson shared a link and read the minutes of the May 25, 2021 meeting aloud to all present.

- a. Motion: To approve the minutes of the regular school council meeting held on 25 May 2021
 - i. Motion made by: Chantal Heichert
 - ii. Seconded: Sanet Dippenaar

Minutes of the regular school council meeting held on 25 May 2021 were adopted.

4. Reports

a. School Board Representative - Leanne Axelsen

Leanne was not present tonight.

b. Student Council Representative - Charlene McFeely

- i. Student council elections did not happen last year as per usual due to covid restrictions- they waited until the new academic year.
- ii. On October 6, 2021 a Welcome Back BBQ was hosted by the Student Council and the candidates helped to serve.

- iii. On October 7, 2021 they held Student Council elections. The following candidates were elected:
 - 1. Co-Chairs: Arissa Nanji and Ciera Henderson
 - 2. Operations Manager: Anouk de Goeij
 - 3. Communications Fazayll Zahra
- iv. Events:
 - 1. Halloween Week (25-29 October) - Thursday 28 October there will be Pumpkin Carving and Friday 29 October there will be a Halloween Costume Competition.
 - 2. Mrs. Elgert mentioned that the school foyer is decorated for Halloween.
 - 3. No further events planned currently, however there will be more to come.

c. Administrator's Report - Karen Elgert

- i. Parent/Teacher interviews
 - 1. Parent/Teacher Interviews were conducted on Wednesday, 20 October and Thursday 21 October from 4:30pm till 8:00pm.
 - 2. Interviews were conducted via google meet and some via phone call. No in-person interviews were conducted to help limit unnecessary outside foot traffic in the school building.
 - 3. Some parents did not realize that it was time for Parent/Teacher interviews. The school newsletter and social media accounts advertised the dates and an appointment link was also on the website and in the newsletter. The school relies on up to date parent contact information to get information to parents via email.
 - 4. Mrs. Elgert reminded and encouraged parents that they can email or call a teacher at any time and that teachers welcome communication from parents to address any concerns early.
- ii. Grad 2022
 - 1. WCHS Diploma Ceremony is confirmed for Tuesday, June 28, 2022 at the Drill Hall and organized by the staff grad committee.
 - 2. The dinner/dance event for graduation is tentatively reserved for 23/24/25 June 2022 at the Wetaskiwin Drill Hall.
 - 3. There is a parent subcommittee in charge of organizing the dinner/dance event for graduation. The parent subcommittee will pick if the dinner/dance falls on Friday or Saturday for the available dates.

4. Tara Gillow has stepped up to take a lead in mobilizing the parents and starting organizing this event.
5. More volunteers are needed. Out of a potential 200 graduating students, only 7 parents have committed to help with the dinner/dance. Ideally they need 40-50 parents volunteering.
6. Grade 11 & 12 parents are encouraged to sign up to help with organizing this event. Grade 10 parents are welcome to get involved too. Tara has reached out to the parents of the graduating class. Mrs. Elger and Mr. Willmott will see that this volunteer opportunity is posted on the WCHS website and social media platforms.

iii. Collaborative Response Model (CRM)

1. CRM is a new initiative that aims to create a framework that helps teaching staff to provide timely support to all students that need help, ensuring that everyone can experience success. The Collaborative Response model makes intervention approaches more cohesive - it is action focussed and data-informed. Teaching teams work together to find the appropriate support for as many students as possible within WCHS and the Outreach School in a timely way, utilizing staff capacity and resources effectively.
2. There was time spent on the Collaborative Response Model at the last PLC day. Teachers and other support staff had the opportunity to engage in learning about this model. WCHS & Outreach school had 8 teachers that received more training in RCM take the lead in team discussions.

iv. Awards Night

1. No in-person ceremony.
2. Award recipients and their parents will be contacted by the office.
3. Pictures of all recipients will be taken and published in the year book and other appropriate platforms.

v. Remembrance Day

1. Online ceremony again this year like last year consisting of educational readings and videos.
2. One minute of silence will be observed in school on the 10th of November. (November 11th no school as it is a statutory holiday)

vi. November Outreach School Entrance

1. November intake open for Outreach School.
2. 32 new students will be starting at the Outreach School. Students were identified by the success coaches and principals by looking at marks and attendance.
3. Individual learning plans for each student will be created by Mrs. Elgert and her team in collaboration with the parents of each child.
4. Students will have the opportunity to receive individual attention and work at a pace that will set them up for success.

5. New Business

No new business at this time.

6. Next Meeting: Monday, November 22nd, 2021 @ 7:00 pm.

Future meeting dates: Jan 24/22, Mar 7/22, Apr 25/22 & May 30/22.

7. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Deanna Didriksen.

Meeting adjourned by Heather Rasmuson at 7:26pm

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Special Jackpot Casino Meeting Minutes
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1. Meeting was called to order at 7:26pm by Heather Rasmuson.

2. Update Signing authority

Heather Rasmuson explained that we need to update the signing authority for the Casino account at the bank.

- a. Current elected school council officials are (as elected on the AGM 28 September 2021):

Chairperson: Heather Rasmuson

Vice Chairperson: Kristine Belbeck

Secretary: Sanet Dippenaar

Casino Chairperson: Deanna Didriksen

- b. Chantal Heichert made the motion to appoint Heather Rasmuson, Kristine Belbeck, Sanet Dippenaar and Deanna Didriksen as the new signing authority representatives for the Casino bank account for Wetaskiwin Composite High School Council.

- c. Lynn Ware seconded the motion. The motion was carried with all in favour.

3. Distribution of Casino Funds

- a. Teachers will be asked to submit a proposal for the distribution of the casino funds. This will happen at a later date.

4. New Business

No new business at this time.

5. Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm.