

Westmount Elementary School Council
Annual General Meeting Minutes
September 16, 2008

Attendance:

Brandy Atkinson	Audra Blakney
Ann Cheek	Susan Dersch
Wayne Funk	Kerry Hebbes
Angie Hitch	Mona Kado
Corri Kennedy	Christina Kleysen (Pederson)
Jana Kopp	Heather Limb
Tina Markel	Trisha Neilsen
Julia Pfeifer	LeeAnn Praud
Chuck Rankas	Sara Rankas
Paula Smith	Michelle Stewart
Carrie Tompkins	Dianna Visser
Valdine Wheeler	Heather Wilson

1. Call to Order and Introductions
Julia called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. and welcomed everyone to the General Annual Meeting.
2. Approval of Agenda
Julia indicated further to a conversation with Wayne Funk that there would be an addition to the agenda regarding the name change of the council under Other Business.
3. Introduction of Board Members
 - Secretary – Dianna Visser – introduced herself and is willing to let her name stand for this term.
 - Treasurer – Christina Kleysen (Pederson) – introduced herself and is willing to let her name stand for this term.
 - Trustee – Kerry Hebbes – introduced himself and mentioned that the School Council is a very important part of the school.
 - Hot Lunch – Michelle Stewart – introduced herself and informed everyone that the hot lunch would be starting in October. There was discussion regarding the Hot Lunch Program.
 - President – Julia Pfeifer – introduced herself and is willing to let her name stand for this term.
 - Vice-President – Julia indicated that there should be a person in place in case she is not available. Mona Kado nominated Angie Hitch for the position of Vice-President. Heather Limb second the motion. All in Favor – Passed.
4. Sub - Committees
 - Western Day Breakfast – Angie and Dianna have been organizing the Pancake Breakfast the last few years. Julia is asking if anyone would like to take on the position of organizing it this year. Tina Markel agreed to be the organizer this year.
 - Fundraiser – Julia was in charge of the Olympic-a-thon last year working closely with Dan to promote the incentives for the students and Dianna to create the procedures and

forms for the packages that were sent out to the students. Need to ask around if anyone is interested in organizing the fundraising and let Julie know.

- Clothing Apparel – The School Council has the opportunity this year to organize the ordering of School Logo clothing and accessories for the students. Angie Hitch has organized it in the past. Carrie Tompkins agreed to organize it this year.
- Phone Committee – The School Council requires a group of people who have a fan out list of people to contact when there are projects/events that need to have volunteers. This person would need to let the other people know who they need to phone and what they are phoning to get volunteers for. Corri Kennedy agreed to fill this position.
- Parent Volunteer Information 2008-2009 Data Entry. This project requires the information from the Parent Volunteers sheets to be summarized on a spread sheet. Angie mentioned she would do it if no one else was able to do it. Brandy Atkinson agreed to enter the data into a spread sheet. Julia will give her the sheets.
- Parent/Teacher Interview Dinner – For the two nights of each of the Parent/Teacher Interviews a supper is required for the teachers in the staff room at 3:30 p.m. Julia had arranged in the past for volunteers to prepare and drop off the entrée, salad, and desert for each evening. Mona Kado agreed to organize the dinners for this year.
- Teacher Appreciation – Ann Cheek organize the decorating, goodie bags, luncheon and arranging volunteers for lunch room and play ground supervision. Ann organized agreed to organize it again this year.

5. Principal – Wayne Funk

- Wayne introduced himself. He has 18 years experience in education – 11 years in the Wheatland County. He spent 1 year in Red Deer, 4 years in Three Hills, and 2 years in South America in Venezuela. The last 11 years have been at the Carseland School where he taught Grade 6 for 5 years and the last 6 years he was Principle. He is currently taking his Masters of Education Leadership at the U of C. Wayne has lived in Strathmore for 11 years and is involved in the community through hockey, soccer and baseball.

6. Other Business

- Wayne attended an Administration Association Meeting last week and found out that on July 1, 2007 that the name for the Parent Advisory Council needs to be changed to School Council. The Administration staff was to encourage more involvement from the School Council with regards to the Education Plan, School Policies and what is best for the students.
- Chuck Renkas moved that the name changes from Westmount Elementary Parent Advisory Council to Westmount Elementary School Council to reflect the requirements of the School Council By-laws as of July 1, 2007. Mona Kado second the motion. All in Favor – Passed.
- Paula Smith asked if there was anyone who was attending the meetings from WFCSS. Julia would inquire about that.

7. Next Meeting

- The next School Council meeting will be October 1, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. in the Library.
- Childcare is provided.

8. Adjournment

Julia adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Draw Winners

School Fee Draw (In attendance)

Julia Pfeifer

*Volunteer Sheet Draw for School Apparel (From all the Volunteer Sheets handed in to teachers)
They may choose from the apparel at the school.*

Lynn Ironside

Charlotte Drunken Chief

Mona Kado

Julie Wiebe