

THORHILD CENTRAL SCHOOL: SCHOOL COUNCIL



Meeting Minutes
December 13, 2021
4:30 PM
Zoom Call

- 1. Call to order at 4:30 pm.**
In attendance: Leah Schryver, April Bauer, Harco Middelkamp, David Amiot, Phonda Pawlik, Jessie Schimpf, Candice Deveaux, Jamie Green, Melissa Schwab, Pat Topolniski, Kristy Krause, Jessica Martiniuk
- 2. Approval of Agenda:** Jamie moved to approve the agenda. Carried.
- 3. Approval of Minutes:** Jamie moved to approve the minutes. Carried.
- 4. Trustee Report:** Report by April Bauer attached for full details.
- 5. Principal's Report:** Report by David Amiot attached for full details.
- 6. Old Business**
 - 6.1 Holiday Treat Bags: bags are made and delivered to the school to be handed out to students. Pictures will be taken with students to help say thank you to North Parkland Power for the donation.
- 7. New Business**
 - 7.1 None to report
- 8. Parking lot:**
 - 8.1 Pancake breakfast, with the current health advisories and restrictions, should be possible for May during Teacher's Week.
- 9. Next Meeting:** The next meeting will be on January 17 at 4:00 pm.
- 10. Adjourned at 4:55 pm.**

TCS School Council Meeting December 13/21 - Trustee's Report

At our last Board meeting we had information shared with us on Careers Next Generation. Since 2012, CNG has done 106 presentations in AVPS and has placed 138 students. Careers Next Generation is a unique, charitable foundation raising youth career awareness and helping students discover careers through internship. We partner with government, educators, communities, industry, parents and students to introduce youth to meaningful employment and develop the skilled workers of the future. Mrs Wesley is working on presentations this year that will include Grade 9 in preparation for high school.

There will be no COVID vaccination clinics in schools at this time.

All Christmas concerts across the division will not be in person viewing this year due to current restrictions.

Policy 15-School and Program Viability Every year the superintendent presents information to the Board of any schools in the division that fall into Section 3 of the policy; enrolment, financial implications, school safety. Rochester, Smith and Grassland have enrolment concerns. The Board directed administration to bring 5 year data to our next meeting on Rochester School.

We have implemented Administrative Procedure 160-COVID Vaccination Status that will extend to any adult that interacts with staff or students and any future hires in the division will need to be fully vaccinated. This AP comes into effect January 10. (AP160 Sec21. Any person coming to a Division building, who is only there to conduct a brief interaction/transaction that will take less than 15 minutes while appropriate health measures are observed (e.g. masking, physical distancing), will NOT require proof of vaccination or negative COVID-19 Rapid Screening Test.)

We hosted a Curriculum overview Council of School Councils meeting December 7. At the meeting we had ASCA president Brandi Rae who spoke about their position on the curriculum and their advocacy efforts to fill the gaps in Indigenous content and redraft some portions of the curriculum. We also had a presentation from former AVPS teacher Gail Mageean who touched on some specific topic issues and age appropriateness as well as the current lack of teaching and learning resources. I spoke on the ASBA advocacy efforts. Boyle has written a letter to government asking for a stop or slow down to the implementation of the curriculum. This letter and the minutes from the COSC meeting were emailed to SC Chairs December 10.

Our next regular Board meeting is December 20/21 in Athabasca

Principal's Report - December 13, 2021

1. Christmas Musical Performances (K-6)

We sent out the following message via SwiftReach last week - Dear Parents & Guardians: TCS is planning to record our K-6 students singing Christmas songs on Tuesday, December 14, 2021. We will be posting these video recordings on Facebook by Friday, December 17th so that families can enjoy the musical performances. If you have any concerns about your child being recorded and having these recordings distributed on social media, please e-mail the school office by Monday, December 13th at: tcs@asperview.org We hope you enjoy the musical selections that teachers and students have worked diligently to bring into your homes! Happy Holidays! TCS Staff & Students

2. Administrative Procedure 160 - COVID-19 Vaccination Status

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Aspen View Public Schools' new Administrative Procedure 160 — COVID-19 Vaccination Status was implemented on November 24, 2021, which applies to Aspen View employees, volunteers, independent contractors, practicum students, and tenants of division Buildings. The Board of Trustees unanimously passed a motion that AP 160 will also apply to trustees in the same manner as employees.

Disclosure and Testing Requirements - Non-Employees (Volunteers, Independent Contractors, Visitors, Practicum Students, Tenants)

20. For non-employees (volunteers, independent contractors, visitors, practicum students, tenants)

who are entering the school to interact with students or be in situations where physical distancing cannot be maintained, proof of vaccination shall be verified as follows:

1. Using the QR code and Government of Alberta App;
2. Showing a paper/electronic record of vaccination; or
3. Showing a proof of negative COVID-19 Rapid Screening Test completed within the last

72 hours.

21. Any person coming to a Division building, who is only there to conduct a brief interaction/transaction that will take less than 15 minutes while appropriate health measures are observed (e.g. masking, physical distancing), will NOT require proof of vaccination or negative COVID-19 Rapid Screening Test.

22. Costs of all testing shall be paid by the individual required to produce the test results. For further clarity, the Division shall not be responsible in any way for the costs of testing.

***Beginning on January 10, 2022 all employees, independent contractors, practicum students, tenants, volunteers and visitors will be required to be fully vaccinated or provide proof on a regular basis of a negative 72 hours COVID test.**

3. Mr. Amiot just wanted to express his appreciation and gratitude for working with such terrific students, parents, and staff members at TCS so far this year! Everyone has been extremely kind, generous, and cooperative - it is both an honor and a privilege to work at TCS/Aspen View Public Schools! Merry Christmas and have a Happy New Year!