



Meeting Minutes
School Council Meeting
Wednesday, February 22nd, 2017

Members Present

Bryce Godenir – President, Cindy Sebryk – English Secretary, Marianne Brochu – Council Member, Tara Decker – Council Member, Natacha P. Gougeon - Community Liaison, Ginette Beaulieu – Principal, Isabelle Mercier – Teacher/Assistant-Principal, Lisa Landry – Teacher, Lise Tellier – Council Member, Marlene Malmqvist –grand-parent member.

Meeting called to order at 6:32pm

- Motion to approve the agenda for February 22nd, 2017. proposed by Bryce Godenir and seconded by Lise Tellier.
- Motion to approve the minutes for January 25th, 2017 proposed by Cindy Sebryk and seconded by Tara Decker.

FrancoSud - Anne-Marie Boucher (absent)

Given the absence of Mrs. Boucher, the reading of the highlights of February are shared by Mrs. Ginette

Summary of the meeting of February 14, 2017 :

- Extracurricular transportation to Notre-Dame-des-Monts : The NDM Board school has asked the School Board to review the decision to offer extracurricular transportation to recreation centers.
- School transportation survey, there were 818 respondents. Overall, they are satisfied with the services. The challenges raised include punctuality, communication of delays and management of problems on the bus.
- Management of pre-Kindergartens, there are 3 schools interested in the School Board managing the nursery school, BeauSoleil, La Vérendrye and Le Ruisseau schools. No decision has yet been taken.
- Grade 12 will now be offered at La Source. A grade 10 class has been added to Ecole BeauSoleil and Notre-Dame des Vallées has decided not to add grade 9.
- Administrative Guidelines : Healthy Schools and First Nations, Metis and Inuit : Recognition of Territories.
- Resignation of Councilor Oumar Lamana on March 1, 2017.

- The next FrancoSud Council meeting is March 14th at Les Cypres school in Medicine Hat and the community consultaion is scheduled for February 24th and 25th at La Mosaïque School.
- Visit of the Minister of Education on February 16, 2017 to La Source school
- The three topics requested by the minister : climate change, education law and curriculum renewal.
- The three challenges : infrastructure, transportation and high school.

Principal's Report – Mme Ginette and Mme Isabelle

- Materials to be prepared before a school council meeting. According to the statutes and regulations, the agenda and the minutes must be sent to the parents 2 weeks before each meeting, the management also specifies that the agenda must be drawn up by the secretary and sent to the management in order to be approved. It is suggested that the documentation be sent on the Monday two weeks prior so that it is forwarded to the parents in the weekly memo on Tuesday. The next meetings are April 5, May 17 and June 14. The deadlines are therefore scheduled for March 20th, May 1st and May 29th.
- Lunch out of school for grade 7,8 and 9 students. The student council has submitted an application to allow students in grades 7 - 9 to go outside the school boundaries at lunch. This opportunity will be offered to the students Tuesday to Thursday. Students will not be allowed to go to the Skate Park. Students will be required to specify where they will be during the lunch hour. Parents will be notified if the student is late and consequences will be the loss of privileges as agreed upon by student council and the school.
- Next year skiing : There would be an opportunity to offer a 2 days of skiing lessons. It is suggested to see if the C.O.P. offers other sports activities or more latitude for students who have much easier to avoid the lack of interest.
- School calendar 2017 – 2018 : Mme Isabelle presented the calendar for the next school year. The school will possibly be closed 3 days earlier than usual. Teachers will need time to prepare for the move to the new school.
- New school : 78 people attended the open house for the new school.

Teacher's Report – Ms. Lisa Landry

- Philosophy for students : Ms. Lisa presented the philosophy for students. 'Thinking by and for oneself'.
- Learning to think : creative, rational, critical and attentive. To produce judgments; based on criteria and context.
- How it is done in the classroom : we favor the semicircle, the sharing of ideas, the problematic situations, the collective deepening on their individual perception.
- From experience, Ms Lisa noted that the philosophy is interdisciplinary, it also allows us to see how students respect each other and their ideas. This promotes group communication, empathy, collective problem solving, taking risks and make mistakes, let students think. Ms. Lisa guides the questioning.

Community Liaison Report – Natacha P. Gougeon

- March 3rd, 2017 : the Franco albertain Raising of the Flag ceremony , will be held outside the Okotoks city hall at 10:30am. The ceremony should last about thirty minutes. All are welcome.
- March 3rd is the deadline to submit recipes, photos, and or histories for the multimedia project, which aims to promote cultural diversity. The project will be presented during the parent teacher meetings on March 23rd and 24th. Families can submit stories @ - alcok@acfa.ab.ca.
- March 19th : French Movie Day at the Okotoks cinema. The Beausoleil school will present `La maison des Contes` a family freindly animated movie. Entrance is free, doors open at 1pm. This event is open to the entire community of Okotoks.
- March 25th : Grandparent Fun Day is back. Following the success of our first event , Ecole beausoleil will again participate in this fun event, for granparents and their granchildren aged 0-6 years. This free activity is from 10:30am – 12:00pm at the Okotoks Library. The theme will be Spring.
- July 1st : Celebrating Canada's 150th anniversary of confederation. The town of Okotoks is organizing a multicultural day. Ecole Beausoleil is invited to promote the school and the Francophone heritage. The events will take place over three days. There will be a picnic, musical performances and more.

Parents corner :

- PEI News: No APEBO representatives were present at the meeting.

President's word :

- Community consultation: It is recalled that a consultation is organized by the council FrancoSud and this one will take place on February 24th and 5th. This allows for community opinion on different topics.

Meeting adjourned

- Moved by Marianne Brochu, seconded by Marlene Malmqvist at 7:54pm..

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Membre du Conseil

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Président