**Selkirk Elementary School Council**

**Regular Council Meeting**

**Wednesday, August 5, 2020**

**6:30pm Meeting in the Selkirk Elementary Library**

**Physical distancing required and masks optional**

**MINUTES**

**Call to order: 6:38 pm**

**Introductions:**

**In attendance:** Melanie Davignon, Leslie Doran, Michelle Bolleen, Tamara Boiteau, Sandi Calhoun, Laura Davidson, Colleen Madore, Liza Marie Manen

**Regrets:**

**Approval of Agenda**- Motion required – Moved by Sandi, seconded by Michelle to approve the agenda as presented. Carried

**Approval of June 8th, 2020 meeting minutes**- Motion required. Moved by Michelle, seconded by Sandi to approved the minutes as presented. Carried.

**Treasurer’s Report-** Sandi reported that we have $1,887.81 in the bank. We have not yet had a request for a budget. Melanie will check with Lori Choquette to see what the status is.

**Principal’s Report**

1. School Operational Plan is for review by School Council on August 5th and then submitted to Superintendent by August 7th. It will be sent out to parents/guardians by August 12th.
2. All teaching staff and educational assistants are hired. New staff:

Frédérique Boucher 0.5 PE, Meghan Adamsky FI 2/3, Katharine Grenier FI ½, Audrey Gallibois FI 1, Geneviève LaCute FI 4/5, Darcy LeBlanc FI Reading Recovery/LAT, Shannon Boyce Counselling/LAT, Nicole Schroeder Counselling.

1. August 18 & 19 are health training and professional development days. Students will return on Thursday August 20th, 2020.
2. Kindergarten will still have 3 days of staggered entry and will be full time Tuesday August 25, 2020.

**Old Business (Updates):**

Parking lots update -nothing

Selkirk Street Safety-no update

Staffing update - see principal report

Modular Classroom update – Paving happening everything is on schedule.

Student transportation update – Colleen reported that the Department has not provided guidelines other than loading from back to front and that there will be assigned seating. Colleen suggested to the Committee that the assignment of seats be brought to the principal. 6 of 42 routes have been created. They will not be doing after school drop offs other than to the student’s home. Seating has been reduced to 2 students per seat – 60% capacity. Information should be available to parents August 12. School administration will distribute this information. The Department is waiting to hear from the City with respect to their guidelines for student transportation. Electronic registration options have been provided to the committee for recommendations. Hopefully electronic registration will be live for next year.

Foliage on Lewes Blvd – They have been trimmed according to the guidelines but they are still a hazard. We will pursue options to have them trimmed to provide clear vision.

School Council Elections Dates – Nominations are open Monday September 14 and close September 24. Polling takes place Oct 5.

**New Business:**

Selkirk School Covid-19 plan – Tamara provided a copy of the COVID 19 Detailed School Health and Safety Operational Plan to the Council for review. If there are any comments we need to provide them to Tamara before 3 pm Friday.

New Superintendent – Marilyn Marquis-Forster is Selkirk’s new Superintendent. She is from SD 57 Prince George. She has as 12 year old daughter In French Immersion.

Grant opportunity –Federal grant for Agricultural Programs. We may qualify fo this grant. We will send it to Elizabeth Gorman who has expressed an interest in writing grant applications.

Cold air policy – The policy is currently -25 with a wind chill. With the new weather station it seems that there are fewer red days. We can revisit the policy in winter if it becomes necessary.

**Information Items:**

Minutes and tonight’s agenda for School Council meetings with the DM

AYSCBC information

Other information from the Department

Nicole’s Notes x 2

**Next regular meeting:**

September 10, 6:30pm