

## **J.T. FOSTER SCHOOL COUNCIL**

### Meeting Minutes

May 7/ 2024

#### **Attendance:**

Jason MacDonald, Jillian Spencer, Jeff Anderson(online), Sherri Lundberg, Cindy Pineo, Lori Loree, Sophie Laviolette, Carla Gimber,

#### **Student Leadership Attendance:**

Zoe Krahulic, Kai Woods, Iris Simon

**Opening:** Sherri Lundberg called the meeting to order at 6:03pm

#### **Agenda change:**

- Iris added as a student council rep
- No treasurer's report as the photos were too small to view

**Approval of Minutes:** Lori made a motion to accept the minutes from the last meeting. Cindy seconded the motion.

#### **Student leadership:**

- Relay for Life- May 31
  - 150 free burgers were donated from Cargill
  - there's still a large cost- they are asking service groups additional funds & parent council for \$200
  - asking for volunteers to cut watermelon and cook burgers from 11-2pm
- Students will be asking the community for food bank donations on May 24
- Grade 7 orientation is May 16 from 9-12pm

**Motion:** Sherri made a motion to donate \$200 for Relay for Life. Cindy seconded the motion.

#### **Principal's Report**

- Grade 7 orientation will be a tour with parents with Q&A
- June 4 is awards night
- June 7 starting at 3pm is Grad night at the arena
- The Achievement Test Scores showed excellent results
- June 18 is the last day of classes before exam week
- We discussed the possibility of instead of having exam bags, doing it "buffet" style. Just need supervision volunteers

- ELA PAT is May 13. Since kids tend to view this as the end of ELA, we are looking to offer a workplace safety course afterwards. (\*Updated\*- unable to do it this year)
- Admin Procedure 152 discusses the proper protocol for disputes between parents and teachers. Parents and teachers need to try to work it out first before involving the school admin. <https://www.lrsd.ca/download/297973>

### **Trustee's Report**

#### **Carla Gimber (Brad Toone sends his regrets)**

1. Presentations:
  - A) Livingstone Leaders Presentation
  - B) Occupational Health & Safety Update
2. Personal Communications Devices- looking at a policy to limit devices in classrooms
3. LRSD 4-day School Week- beginning stages of engaging stakeholders
4. LRSD Funding Profile- large shortfalls

\*See attachment below

Regional School Council Meeting BBQ is May 29th at 6pm

**Closing:** Sherri adjourned the meeting at 7:05pm



## BOARD OF TRUSTEES KEY MESSAGES

Following are the Key Messages from the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting held on Monday, April 22, 2024. Each month the Board Key Messages are shared at School Council Meetings. See your school's website for information about upcoming meetings and agendas.

### 1) Presentations:

- a. **Livingstone Leaders Presentation** – Teacher Advisor Alysa Fisher with the executive members Daniel & Cordelia (FPW), Jennifer (JTF), Grace & Nadine (LIV), Meya (MHHS), and Cassidy & Brody (WCCHS) gave a very informative and insightful presentation. Each school executive gave the Board of Trustees information as to what their individual schools are doing to inspire students and provide student voice and leadership in their school. This information included 1) Who we are: leaders who strive to make a difference in our schools and in our communities! 2) Purpose and Vision 3) Goal: as youth leaders, is to be a voice for students and create an impact by recognizing what needs to change for the better of our education, connections, and futures. One new and exciting event that the Livingstone Leaders introduced and hosted this year was a division wide dance called the Snowball. Each executive and school should be very proud of the leadership and participation within this program. Livingstone Leaders are student leaders who strive to be a voice for students and create a positive impact in their schools.
- b. **Occupational Health & Safety Update** - Laura Stocker, Health & Safety Coordinator, presented to the Board of Trustees. Laura manages the Safety Department and the Custodial Department within LRSD. She assists with the division's Health and Safety Committee, facilitates safety courses, reviews incident reports, safety inspections and overall ensures that LRSD meets or exceeds the legislative requirements for work, field trips and activities. The exemplary work and pride that Laura uses for each facet of her work, ensures that the health and safety of our students, employees, contractors, visitors and stakeholders is paramount.

2) **Personal Communication Devices** - The Board of Trustees moved to designate a special meeting to develop a policy limiting personal communication devices in the classroom.

3) **Livingstone Range School Division 4-day School Week** – The Board of Trustees received a presentation by Karly Bond: Coordinator of Communications, Culture & Engagement on the 4-Day School Week: Developing Project Scope & Engagement Objective Plan. The Board approved moving forward and engaging stakeholders as presented in the plan. For more information please check the website at [lrsd.ca/4dayweek](https://lrsd.ca/4dayweek). Information will be added as available.

**Every student, every day.**

- 4) **Livingstone Range School Division Funding Profile** - The Board of Trustees directed the Advocacy Committee to write a letter to the Minister of Education and cc: ASBA regarding their concerns about our 2024-2025 provincial funding profile and ongoing funding challenges.

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