



A.L. Fortune Secondary Parent Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes September 23, 2021
A.L. Fortune Library

- 1) Meeting called to order at 5:27pm.
- 2) **Attendance:** Mel Hamilton, Meagan Erickson, Kathy Nadeau, Nadine Golz, Scott Anderson.
- 3) **Motion to approve May 2021 Minutes:** Nadine Golz, Seconded by Kathy Nadeau.
- 4) **Business arising from the previous meeting.**
 - **Fundraising** - Cobs bread fundraiser has been confirmed, Meagan to complete and post a poster on the Facebook page. We have received some information on some possible fundraisers for the coming year and will discuss them at the next meeting. One popular fundraiser the music department put on was the "Level Ground" Coffee/Spice/Rice fundraiser, If they do not go forward with this fundraiser this year, the PAC would like to consider this option as well.
 - **Scholarship** - 2019 Scholarship recipient still has not reached out confirming her enrollment in post secondary education, she was taking a year off however Mr. Anderson will reach out to her to let her know this is still available to her for another year. If she chooses not to use these funds and continue her education, it was suggested that we could possibly award it to another student who has continued their education from that year so it does not go unused.
 - **Teachers Requests** - Updates on the table tops for the woodworking department, they have been received and the students are currently working on them! Mr. Anderson has let us know that the invoice is on its way.
 - Some clarification is required regarding the uniforms purchased and the amount that has been invoiced to the PAC. Mr. Anderson has advised that 60 uniforms have been purchased in total. The total for the uniforms were \$2954.37, the PAC is contributing \$2500.00 leaving the school in charge of the balance of \$454.37.
- 5) **DPAC update:** No Update.
- 6) **Principal Report:** At the end of the 2020/2021 school year, in July the total students enrolled in AL Fortune was 315 and by the end of August this increased to 340 (Previous year was 290). To accommodate the increase, the school has combined the Gr. 7 and 8 classes creating a "Middle School" model. The **new** teachers for these grades are: Darby Brandoli, Heather Mason, Dixon Kantymir and Brent Lelond as well as Jordan Landry. Cathy Robinson has joined the Learning Resource team, Laura Maritn has moved to a new position called "On Track " which is similar to an alternate program. Two more teachers are planned to join the High School schedule shortly.

The school hosted the Federal Election which was although inconvenient, well put together and did result in some part time paid work for a handful of students. The school also hosted it's mock election. The results showed that ALF was a Conservative Majority and the Liberals finished last.

Grade 7 & 8's went on their annual retreat with the Grade 12's (The grade 8's were included this year in lieu of last year due to COVID). Aside from the weather, it was a positive experience for all.

There was a protestor situation at several schools in Salmon Arm this month which resulted in a district wide "Hold and Secure" order. No incidents happened at ALF.

Popup Vaccine clinic was held without incident at AL Fortune on September 22/2021.

September 23 was picture day and the Terry Fox run and MADD will be hosting a "Weed out" presentation in the coming week. Orange Shirt date along with Truth and Reconciliation day is on September 30th. School will not be in session for this day.

The Splatsin Education and Territorial Stewardship and AL Fortune have been in talks about creating a "Forestry Academy" At the school which could potentially be a very cool opportunity for AL Fortune and SD83 students to learn trades and skills.

Two Volleyball teams are practicing currently and are looking forward to getting back to competing in the coming weeks. Thank you Mr. Fazan for coaching!

On a light hearted note, Mr. Anderson, Mr.Matheson and their Wives are competing in "Dancing with the Shuswap Stars" which is an amazing charity event hosted each year supporting the Shuswap Hospice Society. Let's be sure to support them both with our votes!

7) Financial Report:

General Account:
\$

Gaming Account:
Balance: \$

8) Next Meeting: October 21, 2021 5:15pm, In person, in the School Library.

9) Meeting Adjourned: 6:43pm

Tabled items: Blueberry Fundraiser - October 2021.