

HIDDEN VALLEY SCHOOL COUNCIL
September 16, 2014
Minutes

PRESENT:

Lindsay Heynen – Chair
Riana Robinson – Administrator
Wendy Reid – Member
Paul Sippel – Member
Amy Stuart – Member

SPECIAL GUESTS:

Simon Blakesley
Penny Prysuk
Bob Walker

REGRETS:

Gina Griffith - Member
Samson Hartland – Member

RECORDING SECRETARY:

Debra Jonasson

	AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	DECISION
1	Call to Order	The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.	
2	Welcome	The Chair introduced and welcomed Simon Blakesley, Penny Prysnuik and Bob Walker	
3	Approval of: a) Agenda b) Meeting Minutes of August 20, 2014.	Motion to approve the Agenda as accepted with the addition of addresses by two presenters, Simon and Penny and approve the meeting minutes of the August meeting as presented by email.	Resolution: Motion to approve the agenda for this meeting with the addition of two presenters and to approve the meeting minutes of the August 20, 2014 meeting as presented by email. Duly moved and seconded. Vote: Unanimous
4	Business:	a. School Review <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation by Simon to Council regarding the School Review that occurred last week. • He gave a brief overview of what the school review is and what it tracks. • He now wants to have an open discussion with the Council members to get feedback on their perceptions of the school and environment as well as thoughts on the administrator and staff. • He gave some feedback on his thoughts and reactions to the school and the review that was conducted. The friendliness and culture of the school is one of the most noted comments regarding the review of this school. • Comments on the students of the school and their involvement in their school. • Council answered a set of questions presented by Simon to give information and viewpoint of the Council. 	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • He explained the next steps in the process; he takes all the notes from the team, himself and they are reviewed; he meets with Penny and Riana and then comes back to Council with a draft report to go through together and once it has been reviewed, it gets finalized and becomes part of the upcoming 3 year program. • Simon thanked Council for their time and input. <p>b. Superintendent's Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Penny Prysnuik presented a report as Superintendent. • Initiatives – Rural Equity Model. 10 communities sending students to Dawson to do a week long courses on hands-on courses. 150 students and teachers involved, targeting Grades 10, 11 & 12. This is the 3rd session and it moves around to different communities. • Student Attendance – Schools looking at ways to enhance attendance. • Literacy – bringing up scores in all literacies in the schools. • English Language Learners and the impact on the schools, there are over 100 students in ELL • Home Education – new guidelines put together and working out of Aurora Virtual School. • Building with the First Nations programs. • Self-regulation – Hidden Valley is working on this initiative this year. • Facilities Management – long term replacement plan of schools, how, when, where, which ones. • Attendance – average absent days; urban–18 days; rural-28 days rural; 26 days First Nations, 16 days non First Nations. 	
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graduation rates – 66% last year; year before 77%, 69% previous to that. Looking at data to see why it is different. Males-74%; Females-61%; First Nations-47%; non First Nations -77% • Penny asked if there were any questions. • Lindsay thanked Penny for her report. <p>c. ASYCBC AGM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Department has made it so Bob and Lori are overlapping the position for this month. • Bob will be the new Department liaison for Council. • Explained his role in the Dept. to Council and how he facilitates School Councils. • Bob suggests that if nothing else is achieved within Council that the School Growth process is the most important job that should be accomplished. • Thursday evening, Full day Friday/Saturday (next weekend) is annual fall conference at the High Country inn. An agenda will be going out to everyone in the next couple of days. Suggests that the more people that can participate the better. • Currently updating of the School Council directory. Asked council members for email addresses/addresses and phone numbers tonight. • Asked for questions. Lindsay commented that she found it frustrating last year that there was a very slow response to emails/questions and hoped that this year there could be a quicker response to questions/concerns. Discussion on this item. 	
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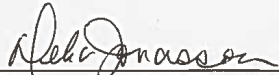
		<p>d. Banking</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lindsay asked if Amy would be agreeable to being the third signatory on the account and she agreed. Deb will draft the letter and take it to the bank and then the three members will need to go in and sign at the bank to affect the change in signing authorities. <p>e. Council Goals</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lindsay left a message with Superstore about grocery bagging as a fund raiser. Amy talked to Lotteries and Schools cannot apply for lotteries licenses for fundraising where prizes are awarded. We can still fund raise but in other means. <p>f. School Clothing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> School clothing form went out today. <p>g. Respectful Warrior</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> RPAY fund – Amy talked to Amanda and Lindsay and submitted the application to get funds to teach a First Nation sports program with the school. Discussion on how the amount needed was assessed. Heard about Respectful Warrior program and forwarded to Riana and she has a meeting set up for Friday. <p>h. Bussing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paul is still attending the meetings. Lindsay will ensure he is added to the list. Some discussion on the new changes to the bussing route. 	<p>Action: Deb will prepare the letter to the TD bank to have the signing authority changed.</p>
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5	<p>Administrator's Report (Riana Robinson)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Riana presented the Administrator's Report which is tabled with minutes. • New staff members; Duncan MacLeod\French monitor to assist in afternoons. • Property Management: Will be able to discuss with Project Manager about what playground equipment and what is taken away and how to get it all replaced. All of this will be discussed at the meeting in January. School cannot chose which business they purchase from, tenders need to be submitted by companies who wish to participate. • Discussion on what equipment will be allowed to stay and what will be taken away and replaced. • All chalkboards being replaced with whiteboards in the whole school. • Welcome back function: Thanks to Council for the BBQ • Weekday Warriors started this week, going very well. • Orientation evening on Wednesday: Teachers sharing information and connecting with parents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 5:00 Learning T ○ 5:30 Kindergarten ○ 6:00 ½ ○ 6:30 2/3 ○ 7:00 ¾ ○ 7:30 6/7 	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intensive French – do not have this for this year. In 2015-2016 – all grade 4/5s • Recommendation for next year is not a choice but mandatory for all the students to be involved in the Intensive French program. Riana will speak to parents tomorrow evening to prepare for this transition. • Policies – Important that all school council members know all the school policies and for parents to look at them to see if changes are needed. Riana will send all these policies to council members for their review and possible changes. • Fire drill and evacuation sites with children today. • School Pizza – Shared correspondence from Pizza Hut regarding pizza lunches in the school. School Council decided against this type of luncheon but Amy noted that Booster Juice also offers a special luncheon program that involves a smoothie, wrap and would be a healthier alternative to a school lunch program. Lindsay will contact Echo again regarding the School Luncheon Program. There was also a discussion about which cereal would be a good choice for the Breakfast Program. Discussion on trending this towards healthier cereal for the program. • Upcoming Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ September 24 – parents collect veggies ○ September 29 – Linnea Good Music workshop – parents are welcome ○ September 30 – Gr. 6/7 swim & K-Gr. 2/3 Rec Skate (1:00-1:45pm) ○ Oct. 1 – Respect assembly @ 1:00 pm ○ Oct 2 & 3 – YTA Conference – No school ○ Oct. 10 – Thanksgiving – No school ○ Oct. 13 – Gr. 4/5 Learn to Swim (1:00-1:45 pm) 	
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6	Miscellaneous Discussion	<p>Hot lunch is next Friday, September 26th. A spaghetti dinner, Paul will contribute ground beef, Amy to organize the luncheon.</p> <p>Lindsay received contract for the annual funding; signed and returned it.</p>	
7	Financial Report a) Account balance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Account balance is \$4,717.33 at September 16, 2014. • Motion to accept the August Financial Statement as previously circulated by email to all members. 	<p>Resolution: Motion that the August 2014 financial statement be accepted as tabled.</p> <p>Duly moved and seconded.</p> <p>Vote: Unanimous</p>
8	Correspondence	No new correspondence.	
9	Date for next meeting.	The yearly meetings will be every third Tuesday @ 6:00. October 21, 2014 @ 6:00 pm	
10	Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 pm.	

Prepared by:



 Debra Jonasson, Secretary/Treasurer

Approved by:



 Lindsay Heynen, Chair
 Samson Hartland

Financial Statement as of September 30, 2015

Hidden Valley School Council
Regular Meeting
25-Nov-15
School Library

For the period beginning July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015

Contributions:

Opening Balance 5,633.54
YTG Funding Agreement for (2014-2015)

Deposits

TOTAL 5,633.54

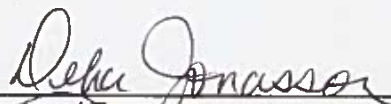
Expenditures:

	September	Year to Date
Honararia:		
Council Members (including AGM)		\$0.00
Secretary / Treasurer (including AGM)	300.00	\$450.00
Miscellaneous (BBQ, AGM Ad)	1,046.65	\$1,810.86
Bank Charges	6.00	\$8.00
TOTAL		<u>2,268.86</u>

Amount of cheques not rendered
(Chq# -\$-)

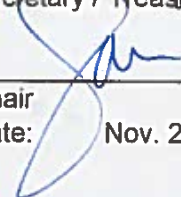
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Secretary / Treasurer

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A/ Chair
Date: Nov. 25/14



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Current Balance	Available Balance
\$9,489.02	\$9,489.02

Balance Date: Nov 18, 2014

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