

Chauvin Home & School Association Meeting Minutes

March 21, 2023

Prepared by Shantelle Skinner – Secretary

Meeting called to order by Tara Schaffer at 7:30 pm.

Attendees – Tara Schaffer, Duane Skinner, Shantelle Skinner, Deanna Volk, Frank Snow, Jodie Waselick, Kyra Morrison, Celeste Matovich, Taylor Johnson, Jennifer Waters, Stephanie Spornitz.

Guest speakers: Nicole Fraser & Shannon Fife on behalf of the BRIGHT program.

Minutes from January 17, 2023 – read by Shantelle Skinner

- Motion by Shantelle Skinner that minutes be adopted as read.
Seconded by Deanna Volk
Motion Carried

Treasurer's Report – Read by Deanna Volk – Attached, current to March 21, 2023

Cheque #65 for the Grade 9 student award had a stop payment put on it and was re-issued to recipient.

- Motion by Deanna Volk that treasurer's report be adopted as read.
Seconded by Jodie Waselick
Motion carried

Trustee's Report – Read by Stephanie Spornitz – attached

Points of Note:

- 2023-2024 budget should be increasing approximately 2 billion over the next 3 years.
- New budget includes new grants for supporting diversity in the classroom and transportation.
- More than 500 people attended the stakeholder engagement sessions. The next 4-year education plan will be submitted to AB Education in May 2023.

Principal's Report – read by Celeste Matovich – Attached

Points of note:

- BRITE Program starts Friday March 24th.
- Ski trip was a success. No broken bones! YAY!
- New budget numbers to be released by the end of the month. These determine staffing and what classes can be offered by DFCS.

DFCS Leadership group (formerly SRC & SJC) – Reported by Kyra Morrison

- February spirit day for older kids was "Stealing of Hearts" and March was "Stealing of Shamrocks"
- Possibly planning an Easter hunt for April.

Village Report – Reported by Frank Snow

- Nothing to report.

Hot Lunch/Subway Program – Tara Schaffer read for Carly Olver

- Carly Olver will be stepping down from parent council next year and therefore a new hot lunch/Subway lunch coordinator is needed. T Caitlin Gilchuk will fill this role.
- Caitlin Gilchuk is planning 3 more Mr. Mike's Pizza Lunches before the end of the school year.

Swimming Program – Tara Schaffer for Renae Skinner

- Grades 1-3 will swim in May. Parent volunteers needed to help with changeroom duty.

Correspondence

ASC Connects Annual conference and AGM on April 21, 22, 23 – hoping to have our council send at least one person to the conference in Edmonton.

BRITE info session

Guest speakers – Nicole Fraser and Shannon Fife.

Introduced themselves and spoke about the BRITE program, , as well as their short and long-term goals for the program.

Old Business

Sound System –Jodie Waselick

Jodie will be picking up the sound system soon. The microphones are on backorder but she will be attempting to secure loaners for grad, free of charge if possible.

BTPS Stakeholder Engagement Session – Tara Schaffer

Tara said it was an extremely informative session. She learned a lot and her takeaway was the positive focus on “promoting education in rural areas”. Popular theme was: #ruraladvantageisthefocus

Game Club – Shantelle Skinner

VIA EMAIL February 10, 2023:

Shantelle Skinner requested a \$600 donation from the council for the purchase of new games for the Game Club.

- February 10, 2023 A Motion was made **via email** by Deanna Volk for Parent Council to donate \$600 towards the newly established Game Club for the purchase of new games.

Seconded by Jodie Waselick **via email**

Motion Carried **via email**

Game club is going well with anywhere from 7 to 12 students attending each week. Out of the \$600 donated, so far \$386.14 has been spent and \$302.17 reimbursed to Shantelle Skinner. We have purchased over 13 new games.

New Business

Chauvin ELKS donated \$7500.00 to CHSA in the form of a one-time cheque. Stipulations are: They would like to see one free lunch for the whole school (to be arranged by Duane Skinner) and the remainder of the money – most of it is to be spent by teachers, (distributed based on a per-student sum, to be determined after the lunch expense is deducted) to enrich their classrooms and not have to pay for things out-of-pocket. Such as science experiments, class projects, supplies.

Tarla Olson requested \$578.08 from the ELKS donation to be spent on the bussing for the grade 5-12 ski trip to lower costs.

- Motion by Tara Schaffer to reimburse bussing costs for the ski trip in the amount of \$578.08

Seconded by Jennifer Waters

Motion Carried

The Chauvin Library board has donated \$2000 to CHSA for a lunch for the school. Duane Skinner will be sorting out the details and would like to book Sheena Larson to cater the lunch to simplify the process.

- Motion by Tara Schaffer to allow Duane Skinner to book Sheena Larson’s catering services for a total up to \$2000.00

Seconded by Deanna Volk

Motion Carried

Bacon Fundraiser - Tara and Jodie are taking over the bacon fundraiser as Carly is stepping down from council next year. The fundraiser will continue to run 2x a year. Current order will be ready for pick up on April 19th.

Grad Donation - CHSA would like to donate \$50 per graduating student (4 students x \$50 = \$200) to be spent on their graduation as the students see fit.

- Motion by Deanna Volk to donate \$200 to the DFCS graduating class
Seconded by Jodie Waselick
Motion Carried

Flowers - Each year CHSA gifts a hanging basket of flowers to Betty Swanson for auditing the CHSA books. Also, Shannon McNalley purchases and plants the flowers for the 2 school planters.

- Motion by Frank Snow to pay up to \$50 for a hanging basket for Betty Swanson and up to \$150 for the plants for the school planter.
Seconded by Jennifer Waters
Motion Carried

Voting in CHSA executive positions

Tara Schaffer discovered that the executive positions for CHSA should, in fact, be voted on in May each year, instead of September, so these will be voted on at the next meeting.

Next Meeting

Date set for the final meeting of the year:

May 16, 2023 @ 7:30pm

Meeting adjourned by Tara Schaffer at 8:56 pm