

Annual General Meeting of the Michael Strembitsky School Council

Date: Tuesday, September 13, 2016 @ 6:30 p.m.

Location: Michael Strembitsky School – Learning Commons

President: Lindsay Peddle
Vice-President: Kim Gruman
Secretary: Ashley van Beuningen

1. Call to order

President Lindsay Peddle called to order the regular meeting of the Michael Strembitsky Parent Council at 6:38pm on September 13, 2016 at the Learning Commons of Michael Strembitsky School.

2. Attendance and Establishment of Quorum

Quorum in attendance
Attendance sheet circulated

3. Approval of Agenda from last meeting

Motion to approve agenda as presented
Motion: Ajesh Chadha
Voted: All in favor
Motion carried

4. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Motion to approve the minutes from the 2015 Annual General Meeting Minutes
Motion: Robyn Homulos
Voted: All in favor
Motion carried

5. Reports:

5.1. Principals Report – Mary Michailides

Mr. Michailides began by welcoming attendees to this evenings meeting. Mary showed a brief slideshow of photos of students and faculty during the first week of school while discussing some of the activities that have taken place during that time. Michael Strembitsky School currently has 986 students, this year MSS does not have any kindergarten classes because of the growth enrollment pressures. The faculty and parents will be updated on the status of the kindergarten classes to return in a couple years. This will be reevaluated at a district level. Mary then

discussed the items brought to her attention regarding the vandalism and thanked those who have notified her as well as reminding people that the Edmonton Police should also be informed as they have been helpful and will continue to get involved. Mary mentioned that Read-In-Week is approaching and information will be posted on School Zone and if you would like to get involved to please feel free to volunteer as parent involvement is greatly appreciated. Mary concluded by introducing the Teacher Representatives from Grade 6, Tanya Boyko and Ashley Smulski.

5.2. Teachers Representative Reports

5.2.1. Grade 6 – Tanya Boyko and Ashley Smulski

Tanya began by welcoming the attendees and introducing herself. Tanya's role is a little bit different this year as she is becoming more of a French specialist and is teaching 4 classes of French this year including Junior High. Ashley Smulski introduced herself as another Grade 6 teacher and enjoying being part of the Grade 6 team. They discussed the buzz and excitement of the first few days of school and how great it was to be a part of. Ashley then discussed the Meet the Teacher Night that had occurred and how great it was to meet the parents of their students and show the parents what will be happening throughout the year. Tanya then moved on to discuss the challenge given to the faculty by the administration staff. This year the teachers were given a key with a blank tag attached. The staff came to a consensus that what it meant to them is; What is the key to success and what can we do to unlock our student's potential. Ashley explained that they challenged the students to make their own keys and create goals. They shared a few goals written by students as well as their own. They then passed out keys and tags to the attendees with the same challenge and gave a few minutes to discuss with neighbors, which were then shared amongst the group.

5.3. President's Report – Lindsay Peddle

Lindsay presented her report to the attendees discussing the message we give to our children by getting involved and supporting our school. She then explained what the beginning of the school year meant to her and her family and the excitement and anticipation of the first day of school. Lindsay then reiterated the importance of our School Council motto that "Your Voice Matters" and the ideas you could bring to our council can create a positive change and create opportunities for our school.

5.4. Summerside Community League Report – Candy Morningway

Candy Morningway began by mentioning the Annual Community League Day happening on September 17th from 12-4pm which is happening at the school grounds. She then stated that the Community League Monthly Meeting is on September 19th and would love for some more community members to get involved as there are multiple playgrounds and the community garden being planned.

6. Junior ATB Presentation – Franka Mann, Waylan Chinski and Amanda Hagerman

Waylan Chinski began by introducing himself as a Grade 5 teacher and his other involvements within the school. He showed a brief video showing some examples of the program from other schools. He then introduced Amanda Hagerman and Franka Mann. Franka then discussed the details and process of the Junior ATB Program. Details and information regarding the program will be posted on School Zone.

7. Old Business

a) No old business

8. New business

a) No new business

9. Election of New Officers:

9.1. Dissolve Current Executive

9.2. Election of New Officers: President, Vice President and Secretary

Vanessa LeCaine presiding for elections
Call for nominations. Position Duties can be found in the School Council Operating Procedures

President:

Nominations for President: Lindsay Peddle nominated and accepts nomination for President. No further nominations received.

By acclamation, Lindsay Peddle is President for the School Council

Vice President:

Nominations for Vice President: Sarah Jane Barriage nominated and accepts nomination for Vice President. No further nominations received.

By acclimation, Sarah Jane Barriage is Vice President for the School Council

Secretary:

Nominations for Secretary: Stacey Houston nominated and accepts nomination for Secretary. No further nominations received.

By acclimation, Stacey Houston is Secretary for the School Council

10. Appointment of Divisional Representatives

10.1. Grades 1-3: Candy Morningway and Ashley van Beuningen

10.2. Division 2: Esther Chapple

10.3. Jr. High: Calee Gibb

11. NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY OCTOBER 11, 2016 at 6:30pm at Michael Strembitsky School – Learning Commons

12. Adjournment

President Lindsay Peddle adjourned the meeting at 7:34pm.

Motion: Esther Chapple

Minutes submitted by: Ashley van Beuningen

Minutes approved by: [Name]

**Attendance
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Suzie Kennedy
Sarah Jane Barriage
Kim Gruman
Ajesh Chadha
Stacey Shpherd
Stacey Houston
Natalie Morrish
Jennifer Ky
Wendy Westren
Melissa Syrenne
Candy Morningway
Kerry Thiessen
Kristin Shandro
Lorie Laybolt
Kathy Murphy
Nicole Henschel
Andrea Thomsen
Merrill Burns
Jennifer Armstrong
James Rehman
Cathy Bird
Stacy Jackson
Tanya Johnstone
Esther Chapple
Miriam Fierbach
Robyn Homulos
Ashley van Beuningen
Lindsay Peddle