

## School Council Minutes (Annual General Meeting)

<b>Date</b>	September 16, 2019
<b>Attendance</b>	Kristy Rice, Colette Lastiwka, Fiona Nyuli, Shannon Blyth, Kyla Norris, Kristy Chamulke, Denise Hoag, Brenda Watmough, Deanna Witholt, Erin Huculak, Erin Crawley, Carrie Knysh, Monica Fehr, Teresa Bodker, Brandy Laurin, Melissa Damur, Aoife Cahill
<b>Guests</b>	None
<b>General Business</b>	
<b>Start Time</b>	6:39 p.m.
<b>Approval of Agenda</b>	Colette Lastiwka
<b>Committee Reports</b>	
<b>Halloween Dance <i>Brenda Watmough</i></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dance will be held on Friday October 25, 2019.</li> <li>Nathan Knysh (Carrie Kynsh's husband) will DJ the dance.</li> </ul>
<b>Christmas in the Country <i>Denise Hoag</i></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>St. Luke will be a venue again this year for Christmas in the Country on Saturday December 7, 2019.</li> <li>I already have vendors looking into booking their tables.</li> </ul>
<b>Old Business</b>	None
<b>New Business</b>	
<b>Junior High Volleyball <i>Colette Lastiwka</i></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We will have a boys and girls junior high volleyball team.</li> <li>Students in grades 5-8 can join the team.</li> <li>Myself and Paula Rumley will coach the girls and Ooi Lin Pheh will coach the boys team.</li> </ul>
<b>CEPAC Meeting <i>Colette Lastiwka</i></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The next CEPAC meeting will be held on September 23, 2019 @ 7:00 p.m.</li> </ul>
<b>School Report <i>Aoife Cahill</i></b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>School Sign</i> – We are excited to share that the school sign was constructed along highway 14 over the summer. The sign is visible to east and west bound traffic. Thank you to Fiona Nyuli for helping with the design and to Melissa Damur's husband for helping to construct the sign.</li> <li><i>Free Library</i> – We received a grant from Strathcona County for a free library. It's been set up at the front of the school and we have added a bench, students are in the process of painting it. This free library continues with our literacy focus. The library will be accessible to students and the South Cooking Lake community as well.</li> <li><i>Loose Parts Play</i> – We have received a grant from Strathcona County to support our Loose Parts Play. Loose parts play is gathering different types of items for kids to use in creative play. We're working with Ever Active Schools, Adrian from Ever Active Schools presented loose parts play to us at a recent PD day. He would like to present this to families. If parent's are open to this I will look in to booking him. (<i>Approved by All</i>)</li> <li><i>Artist in Residence</i> – We received another grant for an Artist in Residence in</li> </ul>

addition to Rooney and Pooney. She is an Indigenous women who will be showcasing her art and working with students to create art in partnership with Gallery @ 501.

- *Keep the Dishes* - We have been invited on behalf of Strathcona County Cultural Services to attend 'Keep the Dishes' on Friday September 27 at Gallery @ 501. The whole school will be going, there is no cost to families as the field trip and busing is paid for by Gallery @ 501.
- *Nutrition Program* – We have received funding again this year and are excited to announce that the Nutrition Program will continue for the 2019-2020 school year. Monica Fehr will continue to run the program.
- *Decorating Committee* – We have painters in painting the doorways, hallways, and library. With things being taken off the walls and a fresh coat of paint added we have a blank canvas for decorating. We are looking for parents to join our decorating committee to help decorate the school.
- *First Day Welcome Back Coffee & Snacks* – We noticed on the first day of school many parents drive their children. We would like to offer families to stay on the first day and catch up over coffee and snacks. I was wondering if School Council would financially support this. *(Approved by All)*  
*(Amount to be confirmed at the budget meeting in October)*
- *4 x 4* – The 4x4 process in Tofield and area was not successful as they didn't meet quorum. They are able to call for another vote within a year.
- *We Are Gardeners* – Each year I choose a book to read to the school at Praise and Worship. This year I picked the book 'We Are Gardeners' by Joanna Gaines. St. Luke is our garden and we're cultivating our students learning and growth. Because of cuts our staff is working on doing more with less, I would encourage families to find ways to take care of our staff. A smile, volunteering, or a thank you note can go a long way.
- *Welcome Back BBQ* – Will be held on Thursday September 19 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. This year we will not have a formal presentation in the gym, instead there will be a technology presentation for parents from 6:00-6:25. There will be a junior high session held from 6:30-7:00. We are asking families to bring their bottles to the BBQ to fund raise for the WE team.
- *Changes for the 2019-2020 School Year* – This school year there will no longer be bells between classes. The bell will still ring for breaks such as recess and lunch but not between blocks. We have also switched to 10 – 30 minute blocks a day. In previous years students depending on grade level would be able to use certain parts of the school yard, this year we're allowing all grades to use all parts of the school yard. We are also allowing students to sit where they want to in the cafeteria at lunch instead of separating them by grade level as in previous years.  
*(Concerns were brought up from parents regarding the school yard and lunch room changes.)*  
*(I will discuss these concerns with parents individually and I will also bring these concerns back to the staff.)*

**2019/2020 School Council Meeting Dates**

- School Council meeting dates are as follows: *All meetings begin at 6:30 p.m.*
  - Monday, October 7
  - Monday, November 25
  - Monday, January 13

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monday, February 10</li> <li>• Monday, March 16</li> <li>• Monday, April 27</li> <li>• Monday, June 1</li> </ul>
<b>Executive Elections</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>CHAIR</b> – Motion to open nominations by Aoife Cahill Colette Lastiwka nominated <b><u>Erin Crawley</u></b> Seconded by Erin Huculak Motion to close Aoife Cahill</li> <li>• <b>VICE CHAIR/COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER</b> – Opened by Aoife Cahill Monica Fehr nominated <b><u>Teresa Bodker</u></b> Seconded by Erin Huculak Motion to close Aoife Cahill</li> <li>• <b>SECRETARY</b> – Opened by Aoife Cahill Teresa Bodker nominated <b><u>Kristy Rice</u></b> Seconded by Erin Huculak Motion to close Aoife Cahill</li> </ul>
<b>Adjournment</b>	
Next Meeting	Monday October 7, 2019 @ 6:30 p.m. directly following the Finance Meeting
Adjournment	Adjourned by Colette Lastiwka Time 7:57 p.m.