

Barnwell School Council Meeting Minutes
September 15,2021

Cari Nelson, Kim Schimpf, Adrienne Postma, Margaret Hudson, Mandy Waldie, Jodi Crofts, Lori Fowler, Christy Porter, Natasha Morgan, Agatha Zacharias, Joan Clements, Barb Arend, Candice Gibb, Janae Haslam, Chandra Bevans. Angela Goertzen, Angela Johnson, Sarah Lee

Candice starts meeting @ 7:05 pm
Someone to approve- Mandy Waldie
Adopt the minutes -Natasha Morgan
Second - Adrienne Postma.

Start

Candice Gibb- First thing is to decide on a meeting time.

-Last year was Thursday, which is the same night as village council.

-Should we do Wednesdays instead?

-Barbs meeting is the first Tuesday of the month.

-We try to do the meeting after Barbs, so we can discuss information from Barbs meeting.

-Second Wednesday of the month was decided for future meetings.

Wednesday 13 October is the next meeting.

-Hopefully we can meet in person, Candice will figure out, and let people know.

Second thing on the agenda, is discussing the broken slide on the playground.

Barb- I will put it on my list to look into it.

Third- Microwaves? Can the kids start using them again?

Barb- Staff found that kids were able to eat faster with out them. Might have to look at a schedule to make them available.

Candice- Could we put in more microwaves to make it faster?

Barb- It's the room, and having a teacher there to help them with it, that is the problem, not the access to microwaves

Fourth

Candice-

We are getting \$500 from the government. We don't have it yet, but it is coming.

Direction is that they want it to be used to increase school parent relations. Either accessibility to information, or an actual BBQ where we can interact. We need to decide what we want to do with that money.

In the past, we had bought the right to purchase movies, and we were going to use the theatre room and have a movie night. Do we think we will be able to do that in the future, and is that something we would want to put the money towards?

-What are some other ways that we can use the money?

Barb- feels like we have good relations. Do you know why some people might feel like there are some barriers?

-Is it babysitting, do you need free childcare?

-There is a small group of people that volunteer, and they keep volunteering? why?

Candice - Felt like last year parents couldn't get in the school, and felt out of the loop, so the hope is to get parents involved in school again.

Christy porter- Can it be used for light the tree light? There is a good turnout for that every year and is outside and something that we can do during covid. Make it big and grand.

Candice- We could try and plan something for when the weather is still nice. An outside BBQ?

- But we are at 207 students.

-Split with alphabet or by grades

-Do you feel like some sort of BBQ when the teachers are there, and you can meet them, does that help you as parents to feel more connected to the school?

Chandra- We would do a tri school BBQ in Taber and I really enjoyed doing that. I enjoyed talking to the teachers I wouldn't usually have an opportunity to do so

Angela Goertzen- Being new, it would be nice to be able to do that.

Barb- In the past we haven't really been able to do that because of covid.

How do you make a connection while abiding to the restrictions?

Candice- has the school division said we can't do them, or can we try?

Barb- We would have to work with AHS to see what we can and cannot do

Angela Goertzen- We could do two days, and families can pick which day works better, sign up.

Candice- Let's do it!

-We need to find a date that works on the calendar.

Barb -I will see if it is possible, possibly the 27th

Candice- If there is snow, then we will maybe take the money and put it towards the tree lighting.

Candice- Can everyone please be willing to help, and then we can make it happen

Barb- We don't know about the Halloween parade yet or not.

Treasure report-

Natasha Morgan

\$355.29

-Last check got written in January, we are paying \$3.00 in monthly fees.

Society

Christy porter

- Missy sent reports from July
- Savings \$5829.05
- Checking \$28627.96
- That doesn't include casino money.
- When we did casino the first night, the kitchen shut down. The guys that night didn't get any food.
- We got \$152 in tip money. Said we could get our money reimbursed somehow. Might use the tip money to pay the guys back, for the money they had to use to buy their food with.
- What do we want to do with the \$50 after we pay the guys back?
- We will put it in the account.
- Need to figure out signing authority.
- We need to have in the minutes that Lori Fowler is the new society chair, so she can take this to the bank to get signing authority.

Angela Johnson nominates Lori Fowler

Angela Goertzen seconds

Candice- All in favor- all

Adrienne Postma voted Shayla Anderson for secretary.

Kim Schimf second.

Candice - All in favor – everyone

Christy Porter Society needs a vice because we need two people and Missy can't.

Margaret Hudson volunteers.

Candice nominates Margaret Hudson
Second Adrienne Postma
Candice- All in favor- all

Principal report

Candice- Doesn't look like Grad banquet needs to be talked to
- Hot lunch, do we think it can happen?

Barb-

- We will have to wait to see what they say tomorrow.
- Start small, with pizza orders.
- Then bring back other options

Candice-

-We will table this discussion until next meeting.

Heard mixed reviews on the DQ lunch.

Mandy Waldie- What about subway or Boston Pizza.

Chandra Bevans- IGA does subs, that's another option.

Candice- is there anything else that they want to talk about?

Mandy Waldie- Locker situations.

-Feels like it got pushed aside in the past.

Barb- Feels like something needs to happen and has been in contact with Jake. It is on her agenda.

Angela Goertzen- Is there a policy on email lists? In their old school needed permission for emails going out.

Barb- Teachers need to be careful because of privacy.

Candice- Are you saying do you want a whats app for each grade so that parents can talk with other parents.

Janae Haslam- Question about September 30 , has the division decided to follow it?

Barb- no.

Candice- We will end the meeting. Adjourned @ 8:10 pm

Next meeting October 13