

SGCHS Parent Information Night Agenda and Minutes—November 22, 2022

I. Introductions

II. Trustee Report—Jill Osborne

a. The past two days, Parkland School Division Trustees have been attending the Fall General Meeting for the Alberta School Boards Association. This Provincial Association represents all Public, Separate (Catholic) and Francophone Schools in Alberta. Funding, Transportation and Mental Health Supports continue to be top priorities for advocacy from our association to the provincial government.

An election roadmap was presented to the Member Boards in preparation of the Spring General Election. To you, our stakeholders, I want to give this message. Your head, your heart and your lived experiences will tell you how to vote and I encourage everyone to get out and have your say. If anyone, from any party, knocks on my door, I am going to ask them one question: How will your party create stability in the Education System? The answer I want to hear is "by providing stable, predictable funding for classrooms and increasing funding for Capital Projects". I encourage you all to ask this question as well, when the election is called. It is expected to happen in February, after the Provincial Budget is tabled.

This morning Alberta School Boards Association hosted an MLA breakfast as part of our FGM. Opening remarks were given by Premier Danielle Smith and MLA's from across the Province attended, including Spruce Grove/Stony Plain member Honorable Searle Turton. Our number one request for advocacy on our behalf from Mr. Turton continues to be a new high school for Spruce Grove.

As a commitment to ensuring Parkland School Division has a voice at the Provincial level, I put my name forward to the Advocacy Committee for the Alberta School Boards Association. I am serving a 2 year term. Thank you for your time and I am happy to answer any questions.

- III.Scholarship Presentation—Trish Mennie, Gr 12 Counselor/IEL—information is available on schoolwebsite.
- IV. Admin Report—Cheryl Otto

Awards Night

- Some changes were made and the evening was well attended and well received. Drama
- Tickets are on sale for the Dec 7 and 8 evening productions of <u>Curtains</u>.
 Ed Plan

 With semester one half done, we are surveying our students as a benchmark in support of our plan to provide support to our students' success and resiliency. This is our final year in our three year plan which has us modeling four cross-curricular competencies—problem solving, communication, collaboration and critical thinking—as key strategies which lead to success in school and in life.

Extra-Curricular

- Volleyball has wrapped up.
- Basketball has started up with games beginning shortly.

Panther Pride

 Mrs. Sue McIntyre, our Phys Ed Department Head, has been awarded the 2022 Zone Award of Merit in recognition of her contributions to high school athletics in our zone and across Alberta.

Parent Teacher Interviews and Reporting

- PowerSchool is live so there is no printed report card at high school
- We are half way through semester one
- Interviews were scheduled for the week before break and this week; if you were not able to book an appointment with the teacher you needed, please email them to set up an alternate time for a phone call.

V. Anyone interested in forming a School Council, please stick around to chat with Admin *****Still looking for interested parties to form a School Council; Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary preferred but a minimum of a Chair is required. We will proceed as Parent Information Nights until role(s) can be filled.