

Faith Academy Parent Council

Pritchard Family Life Centre – 6:45 pm

Monday, January 11, 2016

Present: Administration, V. VanEllenberg, W. Olojan, T. Walde, L. Ingels, G. Plante

Absent: B. Mensforth, V. Churchill, C. Abreu, A. Ruiter

Introduction and Prayer Time – (Plante) The meeting began with a scriptural challenge and prayer.

PC Members – Volunteer/voting – (Ingels) Two parents expressed interest in serving on the PC. Both were given the info./nomination form needed. Neither has returned the necessary documents to the office.

Minutes – November 2, 2015 – (Ingels) The minutes were read and accepted by consensus.

Immunization Report – (Cavey) An article from CBC was distributed to each one present. The topic was concerning Ontario (specifically) Ottawa students being suspended from school over immunization records that were not up to date. Discussion was held concerning FA policy on this matter. Administration will look into Provincial standards.

Truth and Reconciliation – (Cavey) Each council member received a copy of the Province of MB News Release concerning the province's recommendations for Indigenous Education curriculum. This article covered a plan of how this curriculum will be brought into the schools in a more in-depth way as well as info. on additional courses that will be required for those studying in the field of education here in the province.

Policy for the end of day – (Warkentin) A draft of this policy was given out for review. A few issues with students not being picked up at the end of the day, are resulting in a policy being put in place. K-Grade 4 does not have any real issues – mostly focusing on Grade 5 and up.

Fire Policy – (Cavey) The majority of the evening was spent reading and discussing FA Fire Safety/Evacuation Plan for the Matheson building. A few changes were noted to bring before the School Board – mostly dealing with wording/terms.

Board Report – (Cavey) A brief summary of the most recent school board meeting was shared. Board spent a majority of their meeting on the Fire Safety/Evacuation Plan as well as discussion on FA future administration.

Campus Prayer Issues – (HS) Missions team to Romania in Feb. – New semester in Feb. with challenges – Prov. G12 exams – desire for the students to know God ... really KNOW God – for the students to have a sense of urgency, to be purposeful in their spiritual walk and school work – for the students to read for pleasure and their Bibles (Elem) For teachers and EA's to be in prayer for each other, supportive of each other and to have a reminder of the school's mission statement in all they do (MS) Teacher training and

development (younger staff) and that the staff would grow together/gel allowing for great consistency year to year (Plante/Prit) Desire for families to make wise/healthy choices and to realize the blessing it is for the children to be at FA (Franczyk) Tactfulness in collecting fees/dealing with finances, Bus drivers and bus maintenance and effectiveness in chapel speaking

Abuse Policy – next meeting

Adjournment

New Meeting – Monday, March 7, 2016

Next Chairman – T. Walde

Location - TBA