

Canyon School Council Meeting Minutes
October 19, 2011

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| 1. | <u>Call Meeting to Order:</u> 5:05 pm |
| 2. | <u>In Attendance</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Muriel McPherson, Peggy Cameron, Jodi Duffield, Lisa Dupuis, Krista Jackson, Shelley Schuler, Dena Kuzyk, Chad Kuzyk, Jen Bruder, Carole Goodreau, Shannon Schoening, Shannon Scherger, Savi Houldin |
| 3. | <u>Approval of Agenda</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add Cougar Incident to New Business • Moved to be accepted as amended by Lisa • Seconded by Dina • Agenda approved as amended |
| 4. | <u>Approval of previous meeting minutes (June 21, 2011)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moved by Dena • Seconded by Lisa • Minutes approved as presented |
| 5. | <u>Reports</u> |
| | <u>Teacher / Staff report</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Successful Terry Fox Walk: uncle Terry Fox spoke to school; raised over \$3200 • Grade 5 Field Trip to Robby Burns Park (wetlands), Sudsy's (solar panels), Vista Village (seniors visit), Grade 4 trip to the landfill (recycling) • Student council elections are over • Choir has started (grades 4-6), practicing at Wednesday lunch hours; will be singing at Remembrance Day Assembly • Grade 4 students are helping with recycling (paper) • A number of staff are doing Steven Covey 7 Habits of Highly Successful People training (2 of 3 days have already been completed) • Book Fair is ongoing • Castle Mountain Ski Passes – will be sending home information for the free passes • Booking is in process for swimming, skiing <u>Principal's Report</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wanting casual feedback on pictures (Life Touch) – lots of good feedback from parents • Budget information: money must be used in the classroom; have been brainstorming with staff on how to make best use of the money 'reinstated' by the province <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The school has enough money to hire a 0.75 FTE teacher for grade 5; Carol will address any questions parents may have on this issue ○ Will work to keep this group small for grade 6 as well • Review of Behaviour Incidents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ the number of incidents have come down in all area; priority areas have been identified to address addition supervision needs ○ 84% of incidents are Level 1 and the majority of them stop there ○ Incident rates we mapped for last year; in the process of comparing this years' incidents with those of 2010/2011 • PAT Review |

- Grade 3 Lang Arts – 76% at acceptable standard; 22% at excellent standard; 15% below acceptable standard
- Grade 3 Math - 63 % at acceptable standard; 29% at excellent standard; 30% below standard
- Grade 6 Language Arts - 88% at acceptable standard; 16% at excellent standard; 10% below standard
- Grade 6 Math - 71% at acceptable standard; 19% at excellent standard; 21% below standard
- Grade 6 Science - 74% at acceptable standard; 28% at excellent standard; 22% below standard
- Media submission will go out to advise the community of the school's results

Treasurer's report –

- Sept 30 Balance - \$3817.57

Trustee's report – Shannon shared handouts (Professional Readings and The Goose Story – attached)

- Division has set priorities for the schools within the division
- Last year of 3 – year priority plan. Priorities are:
 - Enhancing First Nations and Metis Success Plan
 - Enhancing High School Programming Plan
 - Junior High Achievement in Science and Math
 - Parent and Community Involvement
- In the process of developing a Regional Student Council
 - The purpose of the student council will be to provide a forum for student input and voice in educational decision-making and to assist students in understanding the roles of the Board of Trustees for LRSD
- LRSD homepage: went through some of the components (Board Priorities, Parent and Community Involvement, Professional Learning, Agenda Minutes and Highlights, Board Updates)
 - Board Policies and Admin Procedures are also on the website; can address these at School Council Meetings if interest is there
- Children are like a mixture of little seeds...we must work together to find the best way to help each individual little seed to grow to its full potential

6. **Old Business**

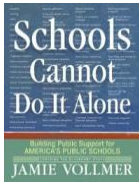
- Tentative date for Pinnacle Parent Session – Thursday, November 17th (7 pm)
 - We will send notices out to other schools within the division; invitations will be sent out for parents to attend as they are now in the process of implementing Pinnacle in the other LRSD schools

7. **New Business:**

- Student Council has been elected; President is Emma Dietz; Jen will invite her to come to School Council Meetings
- Room Representative Roles
 - It would be beneficial to have some roles defined for Room Reps (share the work)
 - Calling parents for School Council, School activities, etc.
 - Jen to contact Classroom Reps; School Reps contact parents in classroom
 - Will look at other ways to get permission to have information shared, events that need

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> volunteers, etc <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Jen will contact Room Reps and share information that needs to be sent out ● Cougars – sighting about a month ago <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Looking at the policy and ways of dealing with the issue in the future (i.e. phone call to parents for students walking home); protocol: if it is unsafe, school will contact parents if the RCMP says there is still reason for concern, RCMP will give the all clear; a phone list has been developed to contact parents of ‘walkers’ |
| 8. | Date of next meeting: Wednesday, November 16 th @ 5:00 pm |
| 9. | Adjournment – 6:20 pm |
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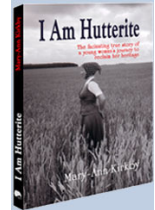


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Schools Cannot Do It Alone by Jamie Vollmer

Dancing on Live Embers: Challenging Racism in Organizations...by Tina Lopes and Barb Thomas

I am Hutterite..... by Mary-Ann Kirkby



13 Ways to Kill your community..... by Doug Griffiths & Kelly Clemmer

Courageous Conversations About Raceby Glenn E. Singleton and Curtis Linton

Building Engaged Schools..... by Gary Gordon
(recommended by Greater Saint Albert Catholic Regional Division)

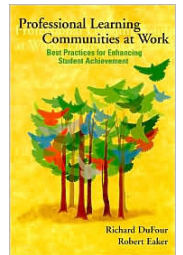
Trauma Stewardship: an everyday guide for caring for self while caring for others..... by Laura van Dernoot Lipsky

Betterby Atul Gwande
(recommended by Tom Thompson)

Governance as Leadersh.....by Richard Chait
(recommended by Tom Thompson)

The 5 Secrets You Must Discover Before you Die & Awakening Corporate So..... by Dr. John B. Izzo

Professional Learning Communities at Wor....by Richard DuFour & Robert Eaker



Outliers: Why Some People Succeed and Some Don't Malcolm Gladwell

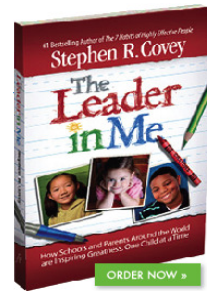
Smart Mobs: The Next Social Revolution.. by Howard Rheingold

Verbal Judo: The Gentle Art of Persuasion..... by George J. Thompson & Jerry B. Jenkins

The Big Picture: Education is Everyone's Business..... by Dennis Littky

The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People.....by Stephen R. Covey

The Leader in meby Stephen R. Covey



Books by John Wooden (recommended by John Izzo)

- *The Essential Wooden: A lifetime of Lessons on Leaders and Leadership;*
- *Coach Wooden's Leadership Game Plan for Success;*
- *12 Lessons for Extraordinary Performance and Personal Excellence;*
- *Coach Wooden's Pyramid of Success: Building Blocks For a Better Life;*
- *Wooden on Leadership: How to Create a Winning Organization;*
- *Coach Wooden One on One: Inspiring Conversations on Purpose, Passion and the Pursuit of Success;*
- *A Game Plan for Life: The Power of Mentoring*

The Goose Story

*by Dr. Harry Clarke Noyes
ARCS NEWS, Vol. 7, No. 1, January 1992*

Next
fall, when
you see Geese
heading South for
the Winter, flying along
in V formation, you might
consider what science has dis-
covered as to why they fly that way:
as each bird flaps its wings, it creates an
uplift for the bird immediately following. By
flying in V formation the whole flock adds at least
71% greater flying range than if each bird flew on its own.

***People who share a common direction and sense of community
can get where they are going more quickly and easily
because they are traveling on the thrust of one another.***

When
a goose falls
out of formation,
it suddenly feels the drag
and resistance of trying to go it alone
and quickly gets back into formation to take
advantage of the lifting power of the bird in front.

***If we have as much sense as a goose,
we will stay in formation
with those who are headed the same way we are.***

When
the Head Goose
gets tired, it rotates back
in the wing and another goose flies point.

***It is sensible to take turns doing demanding jobs
with people or with geese flying South.***

Geese
honk from behind to
encourage those up front to keep up their speed.

What do we say when we honk from behind?

Finally,
and this is important,
when a goose gets sick, or is
wounded by gunshots and falls out
of formation, two other geese fall out with that
goose and follow it down to lend help and protection.
They stay with the fallen goose until it is able to fly, or until
it dies. Only then do they launch out on their own, or with another formation
to catch up with their group.

**IF WE HAVE THE SENSE OF A GOOSE,
WE WILL STAND BY EACH OTHER
LIKE THAT.**

