

**Bon Accord Community School**  
**School Council Meeting Minutes**  
January 26, 2021

Attendance: Aaron Chute, Ashley St Hilaire, Jared Thompson, Jessica Rigney, Lacey Laing, Suzanne Bielert, Stefanie Dawson, Carly Rigler, Debbie McEachren, Kirsten Sorrell, Liz Kohle, Carmen Siemens, Michelle Martinell

1. Meeting called to order at 6:47 pm.
2. Stefanie moved to accept the agenda with addition; Suzanne seconded.
3. Suzanne moved to accept the previous meeting minutes as amended; Ashley seconded.

4. Reports

4.1 Administration

- The Christmas concert was a huge success, though lots of work, and many enjoyed the opportunity for all family members to watch.
- Outdoor dance party was enjoyed by school and community members.
- Covid update: BACS was at “outbreak” status just prior to the Christmas break. Follow up inspections with AHS were successful.
- The week of online learning for all students after the Christmas break had very high attendance and teachers were impressed with the level of student engagement.
- All Valentine’s will be accepted before Feb. 9th to be quarantined at the school.
- Teacher’s Convention will be Feb. 4-5, 2021.
- Registration for the 2021-22 school year will open Feb. 8th through the parent portal for continuing students.
- PreK/Kindergarten Open House will be Feb. 24th at 6:00/6:45 pm.
- Pillars of Success were presented. BACS maintained very high achievement in all areas.
- Teachers are participating in grade level Learning Sprints which are innovative strategies to promote active learning.
- Clarification was given to the Council regarding definitions of public education versus publicly funded education.

4.2 Teacher

- PreK: winter; BACS participating in pilot project offering PUF students an additional three afternoons/week programming.
- K: blending sounds; fairy tales
- 1: colours; numbers to 20; 3D and 2D shapes; seasonal changes; winter; dance
- 2: descriptive sentences; adding to 100; Iqaluit, Meteghan, Saskatoon, Bon Accord; temperature
- 3: creating a playground; fractions; paragraphs

- 4: non-fiction; multiplication and division facts; wheels, gears, drive systems, pulleys

#### 4.3 Trustee

- Federal funding of \$1,840,000 was given to the division in two installments (September and January). This was used for staff and substitute costs, learning space accommodations, PPE, air system filters, cleaning supplies, custodial staff, online PD and equipment, cleaning for transportation.
- AHS granted a clean bill of health to BACS after Covid outbreak.

#### 5.0 Old Business

5.1 Survey to Parents: There were 71 respondents. Council Chair and Administration to further review results.

5.2 Three Year Plan for Council: Council and Administration to continue developing.

#### 6.0 New Business

6.1 Supports for Online Learning: There are how-to tutorials for parents.

[bit.ly/sps-learntogether](https://bit.ly/sps-learntogether). They can also be found on the SPS website.

6.2 Parking Lot: Concern was expressed for safety in the school parking lot and drop off area. Administration will send out an email to families regarding reminders and a map of the area. Administration will also work with maintenance to come up with a longer term solution.

#### 7.0 Meeting adjourned at 8:22 pm.

7.1 Next meeting to be held online on February 23rd, 2021 following PSS meeting.