**Vermilion Elementary School Parent Council**

**Meeting Minutes**

**October 26, 2021**

* Call to order
  + 7:00pm meeting called to order by Rochelle Horne on a virtual platform
* Introductions
  + In attendance: Rochelle Horne, Darcie Maier, Sheila Doherty, Jerri-Lyn Visser, Jim King, Darla Yonkman
  + Regrets: Danielle Erickson, Kirsten Burns, Susan McCulley
* VES Bouquets
  + A BIG thank you to our hot lunch team. It is a great program and deeply appreciated.
  + An appreciation sent to Mr. B for his organizational skills, thank you.
* Review of last meeting minutes
  + No additions or deletions. Accepted as is.
* Additions/Changes to the Agenda
  + None
* Board Report
  + Congratulations to Jim King on his re-election and to Darla Yonkman on her position as Vermilion’s new town trustee.
  + There are six new board members for BTPS out of 9 positions.
  + The new members have begun training and getting to know one another.
* Administrator’s Report
  + Congratulations to Sheila Doherty on her role as acting principal for the remainder of this year.
  + There should be an individual assigned to acting vice principal role by the middle of November.
  + The school will be welcoming Lakeland College educational assistants for practicum, you may be hearing about them from students in their classes!
  + The school is participating in Halloween on Friday. Keeping students in their cohorts and remaining safe.
  + Parents are able to send in prepackaged treats for Halloween but are asked to not send anything homemade at this time.
  + Mr. Beecroft will give us a tour of the new website at our next parent council meeting in November.
  + The school welcomed a professional learning day on October 22 and greatly appreciated the opportunity to connect and say goodbye to Mr. Calvin Anhorn who had his last day at the school on this day as well.
  + Educators appreciated time spent discussing standardized testing. It is valuable time to collaborate on how to maximize student learning.
  + School is currently in masks across the school from kindergarten to grade 6 and all staff until November 1 (at time of writing minutes).
  + Jeff Fall is in the school helping to cover some of Mr. Anhorn’s and Mrs. Doherty’s classes so Mrs. Doherty can fulfill her new duties as acting Principal.
* Hot Lunch
  + No update
* Correspondence/notes
  + November 3rd is Jersey or sports day.
  + Thank you to the team that updates the school website and social media accounts. It is appreciated by many!
  + Danielle Erickson with stand as chair
  + Rochelle Horne will stand as co-chair
  + Jerri-Lyn Visser will stand as secretary
  + Darcie Maier will stand as Treasurer. We are looking for a volunteer to assume this position.
  + Would really like more parents and guardians to connect with parent council. We want to stay connected with families, staff and community.
* Adjournment and set next meeting date
  + Meeting is adjourned at 7:58pm and the next meeting is Tuesday November 23, 2021.