



**Minutes**  
**T A Norris Parent Council**  
**October 16, 2019**

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Attendees: Wade Johnson, Beckie Rudneski, Grace Nylund, Kim Gagnon, Andrea Milligan, Jaclyn Hepburn, Dunstan Wood, Kim Clark, Crystal Owens, Brian Wincherank, Susan Rumleski.

The meeting was called to order by Beckie Rudneski - Committee Chair at 7:07 p.m.

1. Previous minutes & agenda reviewed
  - Change the Financial report to August 2019 from September 2019.
  - Minutes were approved as amended.
  - Agenda additions:
    - Power School added by Beckie
  
2. Executive Council Positions:
  - Chair – Becky Rudneski
  - Vice Chair – Grace Nylund
  - Secretary / Treasurer – Susan Rumleski
  
3. Agenda Additions:
  - Dress Code: Beckie gave a bit off background about how the review of the dress code came about. Some discussion about the procedure for teachers. Grace indicated that there needs to be some accountability for teacher and students to make sure that both know what to do. Wade provided the group with a copy of the dress code as it stands and each point was reviewed at length by the group. Andrea felt that the school has no right to tell her child how to dress. Beckie also commented that appropriate means differ things to different people. Crystal indicated that the High School Students petitioned to be allowed to wear hats and was decided that they can wear hats unless the teacher requests not to. Wade indicated that it can be a safety issues as they have had students from other schools walking around and it's important for the teachers to see faces. Andrea also mentioned that the volleyball shorts have always been short in her opinion and there are student that do not play the sport because of the dress. Wade indicate that the requirement is only black shorts, they can wear whatever type they feel comfortable in. The group decided to recommend the following points be removed and summed up in a safety paragraph at the beginning of the dress code.
    - Point 1 – Good
    - Point 2 – Not good – remove due to gender bias
    - Point 3 – Not good – remove as unrealistic and out dated
    - Point 4 - Good
    - Point 5 – Not good – remove due to gender bias
    - Point 6 – Good
    - Point 7 – Good
    - Point 8 – Remove – not necessary – if kids are cold, wear their jacket



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- Point 9 - Good
  - Point 10 – Good
  - Point 11 – Good
  - Beckie also asked about what is the process for the teachers? Wade indicated that they are to bring dress codes back to the office in a discreet way. Crystal added that the teacher need to be protected as well. Susan indicated that we really need to be protecting the kids, not the teachers. Andrea noted that conversations need to happen with the parents at all times when a student is dress coded. Wade indicated that he will take this back to the staff and will return to the council in January with a response.
4. Principal's Report – Wade Johnson
- Budget – 282 Students
    - We are in a holding pattern for the budget. Overall we are up in numbers and some of the classes are higher numbers and some are lower.
  - Newsletter – Weekly Emails, FB, Dojo & Web page:
    - Weekly emails program is not yet working. We are trying to get the Power School up as well. All 7 & 8 get % based grades and still needing the soft wear to tie it all together and this may not happen till next year. It will be easier to put %'s into power school. Andrea inquired as to if this was a cost or implementation issue? Wade answered that there are 2 separate systems trying to work together. All the data needs to be added in manually. Andrea said that there needs to be better communications. Wade indicated that Jen Todoschuk is our communications officer now and the communication should improve as this has been identified as an issue.
  - Class Dojo – Reds / Green for 5 & 6, Communication Tool for 7 & 8.
    - Wade – will use the reds and greens for grade 5 & 6 and then the 7 & 8 will only be for communication tool between parents & teachers.
  - Upcoming Events:
    - November 22 – Report Card 1
    - November 26 – PTI's 5 pm - 8 pm by appointment
    - November 28 – PTI's 5 pm - 8 pm by appointment
    - November 25 to 29 – Parents Matter Week

Beckie mentioned that Peace High is having a Tabaco awareness talk from AHS. Kim C indicated that she has heard of this and they are planning on having them come to TA as well. Beckie also wanted to thank everyone for their hard work on the basketball courts. Wade indicated that lots of support from the Community, Town of PR, Volunteers, etc. 80% complete just need to raise the nets 10 inches and seed the grass around.

5. Trustee Report – Crystal Owens



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- Crystal indicated that they have had 2 meeting to date. No budget as of yet. The 3 Year Education Plan will be completed once we know the budget. New Trustee for ward 4 – Richard Walliser. They have moved into the new central office now in Grimshaw. The School Board is also looking into wraparound services in the community for thins such like speech, mental health, addictions - making sure that all students are aware of these services.
6. Project PEACE: Kim Clark
- Kim has been in the classrooms now for 4 weeks, she has sent in applications for 4 small groups so far. Girls 7/8, Boys 7/8, Boys 6 & Girls 5. Beckie asked about if a student needs 1 on 1 support? Kim C. indicated that if a student comes to her for support of course she is going to listen but if they need more time, she will refer to Katrina Randel who is also on staff. Wade indicated that they have team meetings every few weeks where the teachers can direct Kim where she may be needed.
7. Round Table – Questions & Issues (All)
- Andrea asked if there are kids in the school that don't have what they need? Wade indicated that there are some for sure that need shoes and winter coats. They have already given out 6 -7 pairs of shoes. Andrea said if there is anything more needed to contact her.
8. 2018-19 Council Meeting Dates @ 7:00 pm
- Meeting closed at 8:15 p.m.



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TANPAC Attendees: Wade Johnson, Beckie Rudneski, Grace Nylund, Kim Gagnon, Andrea Milligan, Jaclyn Hepburn, Kim Clark, Brian Wincherank, Susan Rumleski

The meeting was called to order by Beckie Rudneski - Committee Chair at 8:16 p.m.

1. Previous minutes & agenda reviewed
  - 1.1. Minutes were approved as written
2. Treasurer's Report – Susan Rumleski
  - 2.1. Society Annual Return – Paperwork has been completed and Susan handed off to Beckie for a review and signature.
  - 2.2. Presented September financial Statement to the Board.
3. Fundraising – No fundraising plans as of this meeting.
4. Correspondence – No correspondence

**Adjournment at 8:19 p.m.**



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T.A. NORRIS PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

Treasurers Report

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September 15, 2019

|              |                                       |                    |
|--------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------|
|              | Bank Balance as of August 15, 2019    | <b>\$ 22131.26</b> |
| INCOME       | Interest Payment August 31, 2019      | <b>\$ 0.52</b>     |
| TOTAL        | Closing Balance on September 15, 2019 | <b>\$ 22131.78</b> |
| DISBURSMENTS |                                       | \$ 0.00            |
| TOTAL        |                                       | \$ 0.00            |
| ASSETS       |                                       | \$ 0.00            |
| TOTAL        |                                       | \$ 0.00            |
| LIABILITIES  |                                       | \$ 0.00            |
| TOTAL        |                                       | \$ 0.00            |

Susan Rumleski

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NAME

Secretary / Treasurer

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POSITION

September 15, 2019

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DATE