

April 18, 2023

BGS School Council email address is: bgsCouncil@gmail.com

[Google Meet Link](#)

Present: Alahna, Jeff, Dawn, Linda, Ashley W., Karen H, Deb, Lisa D, Linda W.

Agenda Additions: None

Old Business:

**New
Business:**

Please remember that if you have individual questions or concerns please bring these directly to Jeff and Dawn at the school. This is a general forum for information sharing and idea creation.

BGS Admin:

BGS Upcoming Events

April 25-Volunteer luncheon
April 27-K-6 Talent Show-pm
April 27-RDP Career Expo
May 1-Joe Social-media presentation grades 4-12 during the day, parent session pm
May 5-BGS Collaborative Day
May 12 Family Dance?
May 15-Grade 9 ELA Part A PAT
May 23-28 Alien Inline (grades 1-8)

Admin report

1. Parent Student Teacher Interviews went well in March
2. Cake walk-was so much fun! Thank you to everyone involved for organizing and supporting it.
3. HS Career Connections
 - a. RDP and Olds College "Boots on the Ground"
4. Budget
 - a. Explanation of the RAWG process
 - b. Student numbers are seemingly consistent
 - c. Extra provincial money versus reality
5. Staffing
 - a. Jacquie Hamilton
 - b. Amanda Knock
 - c. Val Frank
 - d. Katelyn Barkshire
6. Volunteer Luncheon - April 25
7. May is Kindness Month
 - a. Thank you to Prospeedo - Dwayne Bitz
8. Joe Social Media presentation on May 1-Parent session 6:00 at the hall. Please spread the word. It is open to parents of children all ages from the community and surrounding area. Thank you again to FCSS and the FRN for their support of the parent session.
9. YES program update-A new person Ireland Black has been hired. Ireland is just completing her BA in Psychology. Ireland has experience reffing and coaching basketball, is a head lifeguard at the Collicutt Center and a background in youth work through an RCMP Mentorship program. Ireland will be able to start with us on the week of May 15th and share the position with Spruce View School.
10. Grade 10 HS Orientation Parent and Student Meeting - May 10 @ 5:30
11. Alien In-line skating will be here from May 23-28 for grades 1-8 students. A huge

	<p>thank you to FOG for supporting this event.</p> <p>12. Amy Severtson - CESD Edwin Parr Nominee. This huge honor has been bestowed upon Amy by Chinook's Edge. This award recognizes excellence in a first year teacher.</p>
Parent Questions	<p>1.Question around adding cameras to the high school parking area. The current cameras do not show a clear view of the student parking lot due to distance and obstruction. If student's vehicles are being vandalized please let admin know.</p> <p>2.Question regarding bringing Subway or Sunshine wraps back into lunch rotation. Consider GF options for Hot lunch. Alahna/Carla/Paige to look into this.</p>
Town of Bowden:	Nothing to report.
FOG:	<p>Plant fundraiser is going on right now. We might do a meat fundraiser in May and then we will be done with fundraisers.</p> <p>I got the date wrong for Casino it is Sept 6 and 7.</p> <p>Things we are financially supporting this month. We bought the library their beans bags \$1124.12. Renaissance invoice for the accelerated reader program. \$3188.05. In line skating program \$2835.00</p> <p>Breakfast program going well. We might have to be a little more conservative. I bought 25 boxes of yogurt last month and they didn't last hardly a week.</p> <p>Cake walk huge success, every kid that participated got something. I think the kids really liked it.</p> <p>Now to plan the dance in May</p>
Parents	Next Parents Matter meeting is scheduled for April 25, 2023, 7:00pm - 8:30pm and additional parents are encouraged to join! Please let Brianne Lattery know to send you an

Matters group	invitation. blattery@cesd73.ca
CESD Trustee Report	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The school calendar for 2024-25 has been approved and is up on the website. From the majority of surveys wishing for school to not start until after the Labor Day weekend, students will be returning to school on Sept 3, 2024. There is still a 4-day long weekend in Oct. (Thanksgiving); a 4-day long weekend in Nov. (Remembrance Day/Fall Break); Winter Break in Feb (Family Day/Teachers' Convention week); and Easter/Spring Break in April. 2. Our new Communications Officer, Laurette Woodward, is working on further improving communications to the public. She is always posting on Facebook and Twitter about new and exciting things going on in the Division as well as keeping everyone aware of any important changes and information within the schools/division. Bowden Grandview School also has its own Facebook page as well, check both out! 3. Transportation - the government has made changes to the ridership eligibility. It has changed the distance from home to school and because of this, CESD sees the need for additional buses to accommodate this increase. It has been determined currently, that about 2/3rds of these eligible students actually ride the bus. Just a reminder: All eligible fees reduce from \$200 to \$175 if registered by June 1, 2023. Any eligible registration after June 1, 2023 remains \$200 4. The new middle school for Penhold will hopefully begin construction in the Fall of 2023 and will be named Penhold Waskasoo Middle School. 5. ASCA (Alberta School Councils' Assoc) Conference this weekend. Two parents from BGS are going. 6. Good luck Amy Severtson, our Edwin Parr nominee!
FCSS Report	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. TONIGHT – Is the “Celebrate Volunteers” Appreciation Supper. Doors open at 5:30, opening remarks at 6, supper to follow. Free to attend, everyone welcome. Some

	<p>great food and prizes to celebrate our volunteers!</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Community Garden – still a few spots left, getting excited to dig in. 3. Innisfail FRN started its Bowden Youth program at the Bowden Event Centre Yesterday (April 17). 4. The cake walk was AWESOME! Thanks for Alahna & Carla and all the work that they put into organizing – it was so much fun to join in! 😊 5. CVITP (Community Volunteer Income Tax Program) last date is this Saturday, April 22. There are still a few openings available, ideal for students. 6. Bowden Town Theatre – are busy rehearsing for its Dinner Theatre “Virgil Wins the Lottery” for May 5 & 6. Tickets available at the ATB or Reddi Mart. Includes Prime Rib Dinner. 7. Planning with Kendra from YES for Summer Fun Program – this year we are doing “Summer Nights & Summer Daze” with a mix of daytime and evening activities for the youth. Week of July 10-14 leading up to Bowden Daze. More information to come. 8. The Youth Spring Break trip to West Ed Mall was fantastic, Bowden, Elnora, Delburne, Spruce View & Sylvan Lake (FCSS, Youth Hq & Flipside Youth Centre) partnered to bring 80 youth to West ed this past Thursday, April 13. Approximately 12 youth from Bowden attended. The kids were great!
	<p>2022/23 Meeting Dates: September 20, October 18, November 15, January 24, February 28, March 22, April 18, May 16, June 20 (meetings will be at noon online through Google Meet)</p>
	<p>Meeting adjourned at 12:56 pm</p>
