

Minutes of High Prairie Local #62
January 30th, 2013
E.W. Pratt

- 1) Meeting was called to order by Debbie at 7:05pm.
- 2) Motion to accept the agenda
 - Charly Doyle moves
 - Victor Fines seconds
 - Motion carried
- 3) Motion to accept the minutes from the last meeting held November 14th, 2013
 - moved by Charly Doyle
 - Susan Badger seconds
 - Motion carried
- 4) Budget Report 2011/12- Maria Doroshenko
 - Convention bill has been paid. We may get some money back if teacher numbers have changed.
 - GIC's- two of them have been cashed and deposited into our account.
 - We received Grant in Aid for the Webmasters meeting.
 - Bill for the sub costs for the last negotiations meeting has been added.
 - Motion to accept the budget
 - i. Moved by Sue Giesbrecht
 - ii. Second by Michelle Keshen
 - iii. Motion carried
- 5) District Representative report- Patrick Duffy
 - Pat discussed some of the items of his report that was distributed to local council. Some items included the ending of tripartite, the Minister believes teachers were asking for too much, the Minister is trying to cause upset between teachers and the Association, local bargaining is now underway, increase in annual fees, upcoming

Provincial Executive election. Important that we encourage our teachers to vote.

- 6) President's report- Debbie Reid
 - Upcoming elections. We have received messages from some of the candidates.
 - Local Diversity, Equity and Human Rights Committee Development Conference will be held April 12th and 13th.
 - Substitute Teacher's Appreciation Week will be March 11th -15th.

- 7) EPC/NSC- Jennifer Taylor
 - EPC does not have much to report since the last meeting. They had low numbers at their last meeting due to poor road conditions.
 - Field service coming up in March- Grant in aid available for every member.

 - NSC met with the board the end of November. There was no discussion on anything financial. They only talked teaching conditions and workload. It seemed as though the board did not receive all information regarding issues concerning teacher workload. Hoping to meet again on the 26th and 28th of February.
 - Jenn has given all reps information sheets for teachers to give their personal e-mail. It is fine if a teacher refuses.
 - Minister was supposed to meet with our Board on Tuesday, January 29th. Topic was supposed to be negotiations and provincial budget. Minister expected to meet with teachers to drive a wedge between ATA and its members. If you are approached by him, please direct him to speak with the local President, Debbie Reid.

- 8) PD- Michelle Keshen
 - Potential workshop in August for Professional Growth Plans
 - Free money available to teachers in the Educational Trust fund. You need to apply.

- 9) Political Engagement- Sue Giesbrecht
- Met in late November and will meet again March 15th. There was a member from the Doctor's Association at their last meeting, asking that teachers and doctors support each other.
- 10) Induction- Jenn Taylor
- Will be held May 23rd, in High Prairie.
 - Inductees and retirees.
 - Send names to Jenn whenever you have them.
- 11) Convention- Chantel Arsenault
- Strict with lanyards this year
 - No booklets
 - Signs will be big and clear for Keynote speakers
 - Any canceled sessions have been updated on the website.
- 12) Website- Brian Zack
- Brain has set up a local website, will be published next month, name of exec will be on there (no personal info), names of reps, will include things pertaining to teachers (collective agreement, etc.), post pictures, continue to update regularly.
 - Committee chairs to send Brian their Frame of Reference
- 13) New business
- Compensation is given to teachers who run Diploma Prep courses on the weekends.

14) Round Table

- Routhier- good, G.P. Vanier- issue with a teacher needing to give name of family member for family medical. Advice is to call Member Services.
- Tech Center- good
- High Prairie Elementary- good
- Outreach schools- good
- Prairie River- form to sign regarding technology use at school- call Members Services. Are teachers required to fill out the Accountability Survey- yes they are, they are anonymous and not to be led to respond in a certain way.
- Pratt- workload, medical information, not enough subs to cover when teachers are sick- asked to come to work regardless.
- Jousard- new teachers are overwhelmed
- Kinuso- teachers feel over worked
- C.J. Schurter- good
- Roland Michener- some teachers were upset that sessions were full for Convention, saying they did not know registration had been available.
- E.G. Walhstrom- teachers feel over worked

15) Next meeting to be held March 20th, 2013

16) Debbie adjourned the meeting at 8:40pm.