



PARENT ADVISORY MEETING AGM

September 17th, 6:00 pm.
Room 118

(1.) Introductions

a) Administrative Team: Rob Bell (Principal), Barb Engel (Vice

Principal)

b) In attendance: Sherrie McClelland, Amanda McLaren, Brittany Liebenberg, Shonna Shaw, Ryan Eccles, Marni Bennett, chris Bennett, Jenna Fraser.

(2.) Administrative Report (RB)

New/returning staff:

Teaching staff

- Barb Engel introduced herself
- Cole Henniger (full time)
- Ion Cherniak (part time)
- Edina Masic and Michelly Doerksen are back from leave

Support Staff

- *We will be hiring new EAs*

Office Administration

- Shawna Williamson
- Marlee Dobson

a) Opening Day Enrolment

- i. Grade 6 (5 sections) Total:124
- ii. Grade 7 (6 sections) Total:151
- iii. Grade 8 (5 sections) Total:181
- iv. Total school enrolment: 393

b) Staffing

- i. 28 teachers and 2 administrators
- ii. 2 office staff
- iii. 3 custodial staff
- iv. 18 support staff (EA)
- v. Librarian Technician
- vi. 9 Teacher Candidates from UofM and UofW

c) Opening Day Conferences – These conferences went really well. All teachers had bookings, but especially our grade six teachers were totally booked. It was wonderful to see the people of the community in the building.

d) Overview of Parent Council and Advisory

- i.** Explanation was given to how parent involvement historically changes as students journey through their school year.
- ii.** The Hedges community follows the trend, as most parents become less involved the the life of school. Quorum was not met at this meeting, so Hedges will have a Parent Advisory Group.
- iii.** There are many ways other than the advisory group for parents to become involved: coaching and band mentioning just two. Administration encourages parents to reach out to admin if they had wishes, ideas or concerns throughout the year and to not wait for a special meeting called.

(3.) For information

- a)** Please watch the weekly Hawks Talk.
- b)** Bus Passes will be available – please watch for more information via email.

(4.) Discussion-

- a)** Grade 7 Camp – Why is this not happening? Mr. Bell explained that the feedback was that we were not getting the same participation from students and that kids go there individually, so that it is not as exciting.
- b)** Staff are looking at providing an experience that will captivate and excite the students. There will be something in place of the camp idea. Specifics to come in the next few months.

(5.) Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, January 19, 2027 at 6:00 pm in Library