

Annual Report
For the
2016-2017 School Year

Dear Parents and School Community,

The McCrosson-Tovell School Council had another productive 2016-2017 year. The school council held 4 meetings on:

- **September 28, 2016**
- **November 22, 2016**
- **February 28, 2017**
- **May 25, 2017**

These meetings were open to the public to encourage input from parents and other members of the school community.

The purpose of the school council is to help improve student achievement and to enhance the accountability of the education system to parents. School councils are advisory organizations. A school council's primary means of achieving its purpose is by making recommendations to the principal of the school and the school board. Boards and principals are responsible for considering the recommendations made by each school council and for advising the council(s) of the actions taken in response to the recommendations. Accordingly, included with this report as a summary of the advice that the school council provided our vice-principal, Anne Carradice and to the school board in 2016 - 2017.

2016 - 2107 Goals:

1. Well-being of our students and staff by organizing special events to increase student attendance.
2. Increase student achievement through parent engagement such as: being visible at the school and helping with a variety of events.
3. Reflect Aboriginal Culture in all our events

Additional achievements of the school council in 2016 - 2107 included the following:

- Family Math and Well Being Day – planned/organized and ran by School Council
- Events: Literacy Day, Valentine Card making with Community, Winter Festival, Mother's Day Tea, Father's Day Breakfast, National Aboriginal Day and Graduation – School Council members organized the food and helped with events
- Community, Culture and Caring – promoting an inclusive and safe school environment in conjunction with highly engaged parents and community members promoting culture awareness.

Fund-raising activities:

-Mom's Pantry

-Scentsy

-Penny Table @ Mother's Day Tea and Father's Day Breakfast

As a school council all proceeds went for extra events to promote Aboriginal Culture and a Positive School Climate.

We wish to acknowledge the hard work and dedication of the many individuals who volunteered their time to contribute to the success of the school council last year. Special thanks are due to the following members of the 2016 - 2107 school council:

Council Members

Deb Whetzel (Chair)

Loretta Copenace

(Vice-Chair)

(Secretary) – N/A

Parents Reps

Virginia Handorgan

Community Rep

Nancy Gate

Sharon Parsons

Teacher Rep

Hillary Nordberg

Student Rep

MacKenzie Whetzel

Finally, we would like to wish the best of luck to candidates in the September 2016-2017 school council elections. Issues that we foresee as being important matters for the consideration of the new school council following the September 2017 elections include:

- Continued reflection of Aboriginal Culture in all our events
- Fundraising (areas of need)