

# Grad Meeting Minutes

## Wednesday March 4, 2020

### GRAD LEAD REPORTS

1. Event Planner Jesse Congdon presented her Grad 2020 "Starry Night" design plan, which will include the following.
  - DJ for Dance
  - Photo booth
  - The main lobby of the multiplex will include 3 designated area photo op areas for grads and families. These areas will be done in a navy, gold and white colors using balloons, drapery, and twinkle lights. There will be memory birch trees with picture and lights.
  - The fieldhouse entrance will have an arch, balloons and fairy lights. There will also be a photo op set up in the fieldhouse with drapery, pillars etc.
  - The arena entrance will have an arch, drapery with lights and balloons to help create a hallway effect when entering. The tables will be done in navy, gold and white with table runners, charger plates napkins and various table centerpieces. All chairs will have chair covers. The entire venue will have fairy light, gobo lights with stars and more. The arena boards will be wrapped in white and dressed with lights.
  - These are the main highlights as there will be other touches throughout the venue.

The cost of this is \$9857.00 which is on par for prior year costs. Those in attendance voted unanimously to hire Jessie Congdon.

2. Reserved seating for parents was brought up and discussed. It was decided that it will be tabled until the April 1<sup>st</sup> meeting.
3. The committee will set up a Facebook page for all Grad 2020 parents. Once you have been added please add other Grad parents/guardians/grads. Please watch this page for updated information.

### SCHOOL REPORT

1. As of March 4<sup>th</sup> there are a potential of 112 students who may attend graduation ceremonies, however this number could change after finals. The students are on a color coded chart with Mr. Morrison so if your student is in yellow you should have been contacted.
2. **Due to the large number of expected grad the ticket number has changed from 7 to 6.** Tickets will go on sale March 30<sup>th</sup> from Angie Speers. Cash or cheque only. If you require extra tickets your name will go on a list and you will be contacted by Angie when and if extra tickets will be available for purchase. **You will NOT be able to purchase extra tickets after May 21.** If you have anyone with dietary restrictions please let Angie know when you pick up tickets as well as if there is a particular family you like to sit close to.

**PLEASE NOTE ALL TICKET PURCHASE ARE TO BE MADE BY CASH OR CHEQUE IN PERSON TO ANGIE SPEERS.**

3. Grad photos are currently taking place from March 2 to 5<sup>th</sup>. All Grads must get a photo taken even if you are not ordering any prints. ( Yearbook and Grad class photo for the school) \* **Re-take grad photos date is unknown at this time.\***
4. Any outstanding second semester fees will be collected with Grad fees. (Art, foods, mechanics, industrial etc.)
5. The last day for Jostens Rings to be in Athabasca is March 5<sup>th</sup>, you can order on line if you wish.
6. Scholarships available, please see Ms. Holdis, Mr. Morrison or Admin staff for a list of all that are available. Not all scholarships are academic/athletic so please have a look.
7. All yearbooks must be ordered no later than May 1<sup>st</sup> cost is \$40.00 each.
8. Grad bio forms are in the office and on the website. All pictures for the slide show must be in digital format.

### **FUNDRAISING: Nadine Tomuschat**

1. Online Auction are slowly coming in. This is our big fundraiser so it is imperative that we receive donations. If possible we would like every grad family to try and provide an item. All baked goods will have stock photos and Nadine will arrange delivery details with seller/buyer of baked goods.  
Bidding will be 3 days. March 25<sup>th</sup> to March 27<sup>th</sup> highest bid closest to cut off wins.  
All items are to be dropped off at the school and winning bidders will pick up items from school (unless of course it is a service or baking)
2. Hot dog letters have to go out to Independent and Buylow requesting hot dog sales with an end date of April 30.
3. Elaine has offered her popcorn machine and supplies for the grads to use as a fundraiser at school. Jose will need to talk to Mr. Nolan about what day this will be planned for.

### **BUDGET**

1. We need to do well in the auction as we are very tight on budget and we need to leave something in the coffers for next year.

### **TICKETS/PROGRAMS/POSTERS**

1. Teri Kusch priced out tickets, posters. Athabasca Home Town Printing is .30 each = \$240.00 in total however will give us a 10% discount if they can put there logo on the back so it would be \$189.00. Tickets will be printed and ready for March 13th and posters should be up in the school by March 16<sup>th</sup>.

### **STUDENT REP**

1. Issues raised on who the grads will walk in. After hearing some concerns it was decided that Mr. Nolan will discuss with Grads.
2. Having trouble finding a guest speaker.

**Next meeting Wednesday April 1 @ 6:30**

## Tentative\* schedule for Grad 2020, Saturday, May 30th 2020 at the Multiplex \*

This schedule is based off what happened with Grad 2019 and can be changed depending on what the Grad Committee decides it wants to do for Grad 2020.

Friday, May 29th at approximately 6:00pm: Grad Rehearsal.

\* All Grads must be there as a lot of information regarding how things will run on that Saturday in terms of seating, walk-in, and so on will be covered. Depending on the group and if everyone is reasonably on time this should take an hour to complete. \*

### **FRIDAY IS MANDATORY FOR ALL GRADS, IF YOU ARE NOT IN ATTENDANCE FOR REHERSAL YOU CAN NOT PARTICIPATE ON SATURDAY**

Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup>

- 1:00pm: All Grads need to be at the Multiplex in order to take the Grad Group Photo. Grads will be let into the Field house and the photo will be taken around 1:10pm or so. If you are late, the group will NOT wait for you.
- 2:00pm: The doors to the Field House will open to the public to settle in to their seats.
- 2:40pm: All Grads will assemble in the Curling Rink portion of the Multiplex to get in line for the walk-in for the ceremony.
- 3:00pm: The Grad ceremony will start, with the walk-in of the Grads
- 4:40pm – 4:50pm: The Grad ceremony will be concluded
- 6:00pm: The dinner will start. Over the past few years, the dinner is typically wrapped up by 7:15-7:25pm so perhaps the dance should be moved up to earlier in the evening...
- 7:45pm: The dance will start with the walk-in of the Grads to the Dance