

Virtual F.R Haythorne School Council Meeting
Meeting Minutes- Jan 27, 2021

Attendance:

Jessica Smith (principal)
Erin Clark (vice principal)
Aaron Tuckwood (vice principal)
Shelley B.Semple (vice chair)
Colleen Miller- Helwig
Stephanie Spilchak
Colleen Adamic
Jennifer Daly
Marlene Crippin
Michael Versteege
Pam Smith
Rita Lal
Kim Derewianka
Carrie Hohl
Reji K
Cecile Palm
Don Irwin

Regrets: Darcy Vane has stepped down as chair, Shelley B tabled it to see if anyone would be willing to step up. Nominations will take place tonight.

- 1.) Meeting called to order online at 6:01pm
- 2.) Approval of Agenda :
 - Motion to approve agenda: Colleen Miller Helwig, Marlen Crippin, Colleen Adamic
 - Motion passed
- 3.) Approval of Minutes from Jan 2020 mtg.Pam Smith, Colleen Miller- Helwig
 - Motion passed

Jessica Smith:

Looking for nominations for a new chair. Stephanie Spilchak nominated Shelley B to be president, seconded by Pam Smith and Colleen Miller-Helwig

Reji K would like to run for Vice position. Nominated by Marlene Crippin, seconded by Stephanie Spilchak and Colleen Miller Helwig

Trustee Don Irwin report:

First let me start by wishing you a happy new year and I hope you had a good Christmas New Year's break although much different without being able to gather together.

We are pleased that in school in person education has resumed as of January 11 and would ask that you tell us how the adjustment to online learning went and returned to in school learning. We value your input and will use it should we have to make these changes again.

We completed Results review with all schools in November and want to thank Parent Councils for participating in the process. We hope it was helpful to you and again please let us know how your experience was.

In December the board approved an operating budget for 2021 and 2022 of 2 01 million using 4.72 million of our operating reserve. The provincial budget is expected late in February and we will know more about our funding at that time.

We completed a Value scoping exercise planning for the replacement of Sherwood Heights Junior high period. This planning Activity Took place September through November and we are recommending the replacement of Sherwood Heights as well as combining Campbelltown and Pine Street in order to attempt to get funding. There will be a right sizing of Salisbury and removal of portables from some schools in Sherwood Park in order to reduce our capacity which has prevented us from getting funding from Sherwood Heights into past.

2021 is election year for school boards and municipal councils in Alberta. Nominations have opened on January 4 and will close by noon on September 20 for the election on Monday, October 18. For more information, see the website and obtain a copy of the candidate manual.

In December we approved an honours program for grades eight and nine at Ardrossan Junior Senior, Sherwood Heights, and FR Haythorne. We used the 1400 responses from parents to plan the program.

Due to Covid And school interruptions we will not be doing PAT testing at grade 6 and nine this year.

February is the month to re-register existing students for school in the fall. See details in your school newsletter or on the EIPS website. (www.eips.ca)

The next public school board meeting is on Thursday, January 21 at 10 AM and the agenda for that is online starting noon on Monday, January 18. If you have any input on the items there please call me before the meeting on third on the for that Thursday. Thank you

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to text phone or email me at anytime. My email is don.irwin@ [eips.ca](mailto:don.irwin@eips.ca) and my cell phone is 587-986-3900.

Working together with you for quality education.

Don Irwin

School Trustee

Sherwood Park

Please contact me with questions or comments.

Don Irwin

Sherwood Park Trustee

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5.) Administration Reports:

Jessica Smith:

- Fees: we are not going to be looking at adjusting fees in the next school year. There is one fee that will be added, E Sports for next year for those interested. Similar to sports teams where you would join to play. Looking for feedback on option fees such as art and noon supervision. Field Trips are associated with pay if you go. Student Union and Yearbooks are a cost recovery fee.
- Semester 2 options/startup Feb 1- only changes are the options that switched over.
- District Honors program for Grade 8 and 9- has been approved for the next school year. We will know more soon about what this looks like as it is a district program. Next year we will know more about what this looks like due to open boundaries. The average to get in may be higher than 80%.
- Enrolment and Open Boundaries- 638 students this year. 676 students are optimal for numbers

Mr.Tuckwood :

- encouraging kids to get involved through things such as E-Sports (playing video games against each other). Starting this coming Monday to see how much interest there is. There is no cost to play this season to see how it goes. Madden Football, FIFA soccer, League of Legends, etc.
- Parking lot and drop off is becoming an issue now that the weather is getting colder. There are zones where there shouldn't be any drop offs or parking. Visual was shared and it will be in the SMORE for parents.

Mrs.Clark:

- Mental Health initiatives and Bell Let's Talk Day
- in Bionic they are talking about citizenship and what students can do to support each other.
- www.bethere.org has been a tool used in class to help support one another.
- Having good conversations and check ins are encouraged
- Random Acts of Kindness and Pink Shirt day are tying this all together.
- Mr. Schmidt is coming from Fort Elementary to replace Mr.Maguire and Mr.Magee is being replaced by Mr.Parr

Mrs.Lal (teacher report):

- Leadership students wrote out 180 christmas cards to Silver Birch Lodge Haythorne kids typed them out and Davidson Creek Elementary kids cut and pasted and decorated the cards.
- January has a Food Bank challenge. To make a difference in our own community was the student's goals
- Black History month presentation for grades 7, 8, 9. This is on February 16th and is a Canadian production.

8.) COSC Review- Jeff Hanrahan

COSC

Good morning COSC members,

Below is a brief overview of what took place at the last COSC meeting on Jan. 6, 2021.

AGENDA ITEMS:

- ASCA Update
- EIPS Public Engagement
- *Annual Education Results Report 2019-20*
- EIPS First Nations, Métis and Inuit programming
- COVID-19 Update

ANNUAL EDUCATION RESULTS REPORT 2019-20

EIPS' *Annual Education Results Report 2019-20* and Annual Education Result Report Overview 2019-20 are now available online. The report outlines detailed information about how EIPS is doing relative to Alberta Education's performance measures; how it's supporting students to achieve the best possible outcomes; and its successes, challenges and priority strategies moving forward. Overall, the report demonstrates the Division is meeting the priorities and goals set out in the EIPS Four-Year Education Plan, which centres on enhancing the growth and success of all students. [Full Report](#) | [Overview](#)

ASCA UPDATE

Recently, the province reduced the grant it provides to the Alberta School Councils' Association (ASCA)—by close to 70 per cent. The impact affects both the association's operations and services offered. Currently, the ASCA Board's reviewing ways to restructure and find efficiencies. [Learn more](#) | [ASCA Funding News Release](#) | [Letter from the Minister of Education](#) | [ASCA Funding Clarification](#).

CAREGIVER EDUCATION SERIES

Alberta Health Services is hosting a series of virtual caregiver information sessions focused on ways to support students' mental health. The sessions are free and geared toward parents, caregivers, teachers and community members who want to learn more about challenges impacting children and adolescents. Session topics include anxiety, ADHD, depression, self-harm, technology, teens and teaching leadership skills, communication, resiliency, and more. [Learn more](#)

FIRST NATION, MÉTIS AND INUIT EDUCATION: INFORMATION SESSIONS

EIPS' First Nation, Métis and Inuit Education Centre is hosting a series of online information sessions for school families. [Learn more](#)

SESSION 1 – Developing Foundational Knowledge of First Nations, Métis and Inuit cultures, histories and contemporary contexts: A three-part series designed for families who want to learn more about Indigenous cultures, perspectives and histories

Dates: February 2, February 23 and March 16

Time: 7 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Where: [Hosted on Microsoft Teams](#)

SESSION 2 – Virtual gathering of First Nations, Métis and Inuit parents and families: An opportunity for First Nations, Métis and Inuit families to gather and engage in conversation with EIPS' First Nations, Métis and Inuit education team.

Date: January 26

Time: 7 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Where: [Hosted on Microsoft Teams](#)

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT SPECTRUM

Board Chair Trina Boymook presented COSC members with the public engagement spectrum EIPS uses to determine the level of engagement required to consult with school communities and stakeholders on a

specific topic. The spectrum identifies five levels of public participation—inform, consult, involve, collaborate and delegate. All are appropriate and depend on the context. The further to the right on the spectrum, the more influence the community has over decisions. [EIPS Public Engagement Spectrum](#)

RETURNING STUDENT REGISTRATION

The EIPS Returning Student Registration Process opens on February 1. All EIPS families will receive an email from the Division asking them to confirm their child's enrolment in a school for the upcoming year by completing the online Returning Student Registration Form—available by logging in to the PowerSchool Parent Portal. Using the form, families can indicate the school their child plans to attend and apply to attend a non-designated school, if applicable. Requests to attend a non-designated school must be completed during the returning student registration process to be considered for the next school year. All returning EIPS students are required to complete the form by Feb. 28, 2021.

SAFFRON CYBER SECOND: January issue

The latest issue of the new *Saffron Cyber Second* is now available. Read it to learn tips, tools and strategies aimed at helping children develop skills for healthy and safe online experiences. [Saffron Cyber Second January 2021](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS AND IMPORTANT DATES

January 20: [Secondary French Immersion Information Night](#)

January 26: [International Baccalaureate Programme Information Night](#)

January 27: Family Literacy Day

January 28: [Advanced Placement Program Information Night](#)

January 29: Professional Learning Day (schools closed to students)

February 3: Early Dismissal

Additional information from the Jan. 6, 2021 meeting is available at www.eips.ca. The next meeting takes place on Feb. 3, 2021.

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9.) Questions for Admin:

-Shelley B was looking at things that might help support the grade 9's going into high school. Is there any support such as a staggered entry? Admin is looking at how they can do this for students due to Covid restrictions.

-Colleen Miller-Helwig was wondering if vending machines would be stocked more regularly, yes as long as admin is made aware.

-Staff are looking at some hot lunch food items but due to Covid this is proving to be difficult.

-Bathrooms are now clean with new tile and used to smell bad. Renos were done to the floors and stalls in all bathrooms and Shelley B. was commending the staff on the cleanliness:)

10.) Motion to adjourn meeting at 6:45pm

- Motion to approve: Marlene Crippin, Kim Derewianka seconded
- Motion passed and meeting adjourned

Next meeting on March 17th, 2021