
Virtual F.R Haythorne Parent Council Meeting
Meeting Minutes- May 19, 2021

Attendance:

Aaron Tuckwood (assistant principal)
Ania Korzeniewski (teacher)
Erin Clark (assistant principal)
Shelly Brewer Semple (chair)
Don Irwin (Trustee)
Marlene Crippin

Rita Lal (teacher)
Colleen Helwig
Stephanie Spilchak (secretary)
Jennifer Daly
Colleen Adamic
Rejeita Kumar (vice chair)

1.) Meeting called to order online at 6:01pm

2.) Approval of Agenda :

- Motion to approve:
- Motion passed

3.) Approval of Minutes

- Minutes from April meeting were presented
- Motion to approve: Marlene Crippin
- Motion passed

4.) Nominations for 2021-2022 Council

- Chair
 - Call for nominations
 - No nominations were given
- Vice-Chair
 - Call for nominations
 - Rejeita Kumar was nominated by Shelley Brewer-Semple
 - Seconded
 - Rejeita was elected
- Secretary
 - Call for nominations
 - No nominations were given

5.) Trustee Don Irwin report:

The board continues to be very busy with preparing the 2021/2022 budget for the district. A combination of provincial allocation and a two-year reserve plan form the basis of the proposed budget which must be submitted by May 30, 2021.

Large ticket items include to Covid cleaning and protocols, \$500,000 to address learning gaps of 3000 students approximately. A two year plan to assist students with social and emotional needs, career path consultant, CTF junior and senior high consultant, consultants for learning literacy and early learning assessment and curriculum preparation. Funding for the junior high honours district program and evergreen (keeping our computers working well). Also we budgeted to complete the air conditioning in all modular units and budget for one year of homeschooling support (not on-line learning).

School fees have been approved and transportation rates for next year(no change from this years rates).

Suggestions, Questions - Feel free to ask at school council meetings or text,phone or email. My contact information is don.irwin@eips.ca or my cellphone is 587 986 3900.

Don Irwin
Trustee - Sherwood Park

6.) Administration Reports:

Mr.Tuckwood:

- Jessica has been seconded to HR until the end of the year
- We would like to congratulate Mrs. Lal on her new position as Assistant Principal at A.L. Horton in Vegreville.
- we have enjoyed meeting with our incoming students
- Survey Results have come in, we are looking at them and determining our School Education Plan
- Online Learning Update - Learning has been going well, this has been a fairly seamless transition. Everyone knows what is expected, and are able to pick up quickly.

Mrs.Clark:

- Final exams will be the week of June 22 to 26. We will be piloting the common district finals for Grades 7 and 8. Emphasis will be on preparing students and discussing mental health strategies with exams.
- We have used some of the fundraising funds to purchase tall tables in the hallways, and relocated the picnic tables outside. These have been placed together to make an outdoor classroom.
- We have also found a contractor who will be installing rocks for our outdoor FNMI Learning Circle

- We have started getting the room upstairs ready to transition to our FNMI room. This will be a safe space, painting has been completed and furniture arrived.
- Hot Lunch on hold for now

7.) Teacher Report (Rita Lal)

- Grade 9 has been working on how they can welcome the incoming students, and creating letters for them of things they would like to know
- Students have been continuing with their positive messaging in the halls going up all over the glass in the school
- We are looking at ways to celebrate Pride month as well as Indigenous history month in June.

8.) COSC Review

Below is followup information from the COSC meeting on May 5, 2021.

MAIN AGENDA ITEMS:

- ASCA Update
- COVID-19 update
- Draft Budget Highlights
- School Council Annual Reports
- COSC Sharing:
 - ASCA AGM Resolutions
 - SCA Secondary's presentation: How to support students during challenging times

2021 ASCA AGM ISSUE RESOLUTIONS

The [outcome of the resolutions](#) debated at this year's Alberta School Councils' Association annual general meeting are now available online.

ATA LAWN SIGNS: Supporting public education

The ATA Local's selling lawn signs to families and community members who want to show support for public education. To order a sign, simply contact Kern Topma, the Local's Administrative Assistant, at 587-988-3663. The cost: \$4 per sign.

CAREGIVER EDUCATION SERIES: May

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](#)

SAFFRON CYBER SECOND: May issue

The latest issue of the *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 May 2021](#)

SHERWOOD HEIGHTS JUNIOR HIGH REPLACEMENT SCHOOL: New website launching

Jacque Surgenor and Lesley Bowman are launching a new website to help support the EIPS Board of Trustee's advocacy efforts around a replacement school for Sherwood Heights Junior High. The pair expect to launch the website in the next few weeks. Once live, make sure to visit the site on an ongoing basis: replacesherwoodheights.ca.

REVENUE AND RESERVES: 2021-22

During the May COSC meeting, Superintendent Mark Liguori discussed the Division's projected revenue and reserves for the 2021-22 school year. The [Revenue and Reserves Summary](#) is available online. On May 20, trustees will review the Division's Spring 2021-22 budget during the regularly scheduled Board meeting.

SUPPORTING STUDENTS DURING CHALLENGING TIME

In April, Strathcona Christian Academy (SCA) Secondary's hosted a virtual presentation entitled, Keeping Them Safe While Helping Them Grow. Presented by Alex Russell, a nationally renowned psychologist and public speaker, the session offered helpful tips and strategies to support children and their emotional growth during challenging times. The presentation is still available to view on the SCA Secondary website. [Watch the presentation](#)

SCHOOL COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORTS

Every year, school councils are responsible for submitting an annual report to the Division. The report includes two parts. One is a summary of the school council's activities during the school year. The second is a financial statement listing the money the school council handled and used during the year. **All School Council Annual Reports are due June 25, 2021.** Once complete, submit the report to your school principal, who will then submit it to the Division. [Learn more](#) | [School Council Annual Report Sample](#) | [School Council Financial Statement Sample](#)

IMPORTANT DATES

May 20	Board Meeting
May 21	Schools closure day

May 24	Victoria Day: Schools are closed
May 26	Board Meeting
June 2	Early dismissal
June 17	Board Meeting
June 21	National Aboriginal Day
June 25	Last day of school

Additional information from the May COSC meeting is available at www.eips.ca. The next meeting takes place on Oct. 6, 2021—location to be determined.

9.) Questions for Admin:

-Teacher Appreciation - Has anyone stepped forward to volunteer - not at this time

-Can you give us an overview of the high school presentations - High Schools talked about streams, and programs. Briefly 10-1 is considered to be the high academic courses, 10-2, 10-3, 14 are lower academic courses.

-What is the plan for Grade 9 Farewell - We are waiting for our meeting on Friday to discuss, currently we are considering a virtual ceremony by cohort.

10.) Meeting adjourned at 6:36pm

- No formal motion was called.