

Mundare School Advisory Council Virtual Meeting Minutes

January 19, 2021

ATTENDANCE: Allison Palsitt, Ashley Reitveld, Trish Koch, Mandy Dumanski, Christy Luimes, William Korec, Melissa Hausser, Colleen Holowaychuk, Cheryl Calinoiu

1. **Welcome**
2. **Introductions of attendees**
3. **Reports**

President's Report

Discussion regarding correspondence

Principal's Report

1. Virtual Christmas Concert was a success!
2. Three day virtual start went very well
3. Upcoming PD Day
4. Jr High students going to Vegreville Comp beginning in February.
5. Fun Fridays: School culture and mental health campaign is continuing.
6. Focus on academics and testing.
7. New logo and swag wear – sharing of ideas.
8. Fees process
9. Virtual interviews in March 2021
10. No Valentine cards or treats.

Trustees Report

1. Reminder that Diploma exams will be optional for the remainder of this school year.
2. Board approved the superintendent's recommendation for students in grade 6 and 9 not write PAT's.
3. Approved the fall budget: November board meeting.
 - *\$201.53 million includes \$4.72 million of reserves.
 - *Accumulated surplus is estimated to be \$13.55million on August 31, 2021.
 - *Student enrolments down by 501, many of these students are unable to be tracked of where there are now.
 - *Boards across the province are reporting similar declines in student population.
 - *many students unaccounted for across the province, but if they have gone out of province or country, we cannot track them.
3. Administration is constantly reviewing COVID cost and adjusts as required. We will have motion coming forward to the January board meeting regarding potentially re-allocating dollars.
4. Approved the Annual Education Results Report for EIPS. Can be found on the website.

5. Board approved a Junior High Honors division program in December. Grade 8/9. Schools are in Sherwood Park, but students in the rural area or Fort Saskatchewan can have access to some of the program pieces.
6. Returning registration for students February 1-28, 2021.
7. Municipal Election October 18, 2021:
Nominations open from January 1-September 20,2021 at noon. You must have papers prior to doing any fundraising or spending. I will be seeking re-election.
8. 2021 EIPS Annual Parent Survey (February) -There will be some additional questions as we are now following the new Assurance Model. (School authorities will continue to develop education plans identifying priorities and areas to improve. The framework includes new accountability measures to keep school boards accountable for student outcomes, community engagement and continuous improvement.)
9. Next COSC meetings are February 3, 2021 and March 3, 2021 at 6:30pm.

4. New Business

5. Upcoming dates for meeting

Tuesday March 16, 2021 - 6PM
Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/98139947822?pwd=YXVvbm1TK2k0R0ZuUFc3ekpUWmZqZz09>

Meeting ID: 981 3994 7822
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6. Adjournment 6:45 PM