

School Council Meeting – October 17th, 2022

Meeting called to order at 5:33 pm

Attendees: Melissa Kerr, Colleen Holowaychuck, Jackie Yakubow, Rick Patrie, Maria Dytiuk, Ashley Rietveld, Leanna Richard, Linda Werter, Patricia Koch – others I missed (?)

Opening remarks and welcome were given by the Chair, Maria Dytiuk

Approval of the Agenda:

Leanne Richard motioned to adopt the agenda as presented, Maria Dytiuk seconded the motion.

Approval of the Minutes (September 17, 2022):

Leanne Richard motioned to adopt the Minutes as presented, Maria Dytiuk seconded the motion.

EIPS Board Trustee report presented by Colleen Holowaychuck

Reminder: Committee of School Councils (COSC) Meet and Greet

The next COSC meeting will be held Wednesday, November 2, 2022, at Central office from 7:00-9:00pm pm.

Diploma Exams (for those that may be interested)

Alberta Education has made the decision to temporarily change the weighting of diploma exams to 20% from 30% for the 2022-2023 school year. This will ensure provincial standards are maintained while also consider the impact that learning disruptions have had on high school students.

Assurance Reviews

Central department assurance reviews will be held during the first week of November and school assurance reviews will be held in early December. A School Council rep is encouraged to attend their school review. More info will follow.

Next Board meeting will be held on October 20, 2022.

Administration Report presented by Melissa Kerr:

1. Welcome
2. [School Education Plan](#)
 - a. Focus on Numeracy
 - b. Focus on Literacy
 - c. Focus on Safe and Caring Schools

Looking Back

3. September Assessments - Screeners
 - a. STAR Literacy
 - b. STAR Math
 - c. Alberta Education Literacy and Math Screeners
 - i. Grades 2-4 September
 - ii. Grade 1 January
4. October 7 PL Day
 - a. Review STAR Dat
 - b. Small Group Instruction Planning
5. Budget & Fees
 - a. Mundare School fall budget has been submitted
 - i. Approximately \$1 million operating budget
 - ii. 92.98% staffing
 - b. Fees have been posted. Approved 2022-23 fees can be found on our website
 - i. Lunch supervision
 - ii. Field Trips
 - iii. Junior high options
6. Permission Click for School Forms
 - a. Be sure to check emails from school. This is the new Division method of completing forms.
7. Fire Safety Week
 - a. Lamont County and Junior's Firefighter Challenge, fully sponsored by the Ag Society

Looking Ahead:

8. Parent Teacher Conferences and Book Fair
 - a. October 26 and 27, from 4:30 - 7:30pm each night
 - b. Booking currently open through the school website (Bookings Tab)
9. Harvest Lunch sponsored by Credit Servus Union - parents welcome
 - a. October 28
10. Halloween activities
 - a. Jr. High Leadership students will be hosting Halloween activities, including cookie decorating and a haunted house
11. Christmas Concert
 - a. More information to follow
12. Assurance Review
 - a. Will take place near the beginning of December. This is an opportunity for school trustees to hear what is happening in schools. School Council Chairs are invited and it's a good opportunity for them to be a part of the conversation.
 - b. Preparations for the assurance review - review data from last year such as the EIPS parent and staff surveys, the Alberta Education Assurance Review –awaiting the PAT data, and our school data.
 - c. Alberta Education Assurance Survey Overall Summary – see Appendix A
 - d. [EIPS Parent Survey 2021-22](#) results from the spring
13. First Nations, Metis and Inuit Work

- a. Day for National Truth and Reconciliation Mural
 - b. Metis Week November 15-17
14. Upcoming events and important dates:
- October 17: School Council Meeting at 5:30
 - October 26: Parent/Teacher Conferences
 - October 27: Parent/Teacher Conferences
 - October 28: Harvest Lunch at Servus Credit Union
 - October 31: Halloween Activities
 - November 2: Early Dismissal
 - November 4: Remembrance Day Ceremony - parents are welcome to attend
 - November 7-11: School Closure - November Break
 - November 25: K-8 Reports are published

***Include Appendices (from PDF sent by Melissa)**

Committee of School Councils (COSC) Report

Maria Dytiuk was unfortunately missed in the invitation and did not attend the meeting.

Melissa Kerr will ensure she is added to the distribution going forward.

Old Business

There were no items to bring back from the last meeting

New Business

Winter School Dance

Council discussed having a Winter School Dance this year, most likely after the Christmas Season. This would also provide some fundraising opportunities.

It was agreed to form a committee to take on this event with the following members:

Ashley Rietveld, Leanna Richard, Linda Werter, Patricia Koch (please add if I missed anyone)

Melissa Kerr will reach out to parents to see if there is interest for others to get involved as well.

This item and other fundraising events will be brought forward at the Mundare School Society meetings for further discussion.

Parent Involvement through shared activities

Council discussed various activities to increase parent involvement and connection. Some of the ideas shared were an Aerobics Class, Dance Class, Movie Nights. These events will be free of charge and could be held in the school gym.

At the Parent/Teacher interviews (October 26/27), Ashely Rietveld volunteered to have a table in the school to gauge interest from parents. She will report back at the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm