

Parent Council Minutes

February 28, 2022 3:52 pm

Video Conference

In Attendance: Shelly Wiebe, Candace Craddock, Justin Seely, Kyla Tuttle, Amy Urie.

1. Call to Order and Introductions – Candace Craddock      Time: 3:52 pm
2. Additions to the Agenda – N/A
3. Approval of the Agenda – Shelly approved, Kyla 2nd
4. Review of Previous Minutes – Shelly approved, Kyla 2<sup>nd</sup>
5. Trustee Report – Shared by Shelly

Due to the dates and the way calendar schedules rolled out, we have had two Board meetings since the last School Council meeting, and a little extra information which might interest you - I've added this to the top for quick reference.

1. The Department of Elementary Education's public information session, "Crash Course" on the Draft Curriculum.

<https://alberta-curriculum-analysis.ca/crash-course-on-the-draft-curriculum/>

2. Parkland School Division is seeking parents or community members who are passionate about inclusive education to help us continue to build the inclusive system we envision for our students.

<https://www.psd.ca/division/news/post/inclusive-education-parent-and-community-advisory-panel-call-for-members>

Jan 18, 2022 Board Meeting

- The Board received as information the Parkland School Division Attendance Area Review. (<https://www.psd.ca/download/378346> ) On January 12, 2021, the Board of Trustees directed administration to conduct an attendance area review of all schools in Parkland School Division (PSD) in order to facilitate long-term planning and the effective use of our school facilities. Administration engaged external consultants from Edmonton Public Schools, Infrastructure Planning to conduct the attendance review and to produce a report with

recommendations. The report will be the first phase in the attendance review. The second phase will consist of public engagement on the recommendations and the third phase will be a final decision by the Board and implementation. It is anticipated that implementation of any changes in attendance areas approved by the Board would take place September, 2023.

- The Board welcomed a virtual delegation from the Remuda Horsemanship Program. Remuda Horsemanship is an equine assisted social skill development program in which students are encouraged to develop prosocial skills through interaction with horses. Schools involved in Equestrian Outdoor learning include: Connections for Learning, Spruce Grove Composite High School, Blueberry School and Wabamun Schools.
- The Board directed administration to establish a submission deadline for schools to nominate a first-year teacher for the Alberta School Boards Association Edwin Parr Award as March 4, 2022; and subsequently named Trustees Cameron, Hennig and Wagner, as members of the Edwin Parr Selection Committee.
- The Board received as information the Quarterly Financial Report (<https://www.psd.ca/download/378347> ) for the period ending November 30, 2021. As of November 30, 2021, revenues year to date were \$34.1M and expenditures year to date were \$32.3M resulting in a surplus of \$1.8M. A deficit of \$1.5M is currently forecast for the year ended August 31, 2022 compared to the budget of a deficit of \$2.0M. The change in the forecasted deficit is primarily the result of \$1.6M of COVID-19 Mitigation funding and additional weighted moving average funding offset by additional staffing and expenses due to 327 additional students over budget.
- The Board received as information the Literacy Report, ( <https://www.psd.ca/download/378351> ) as presented by Division Principal, Sheryl Bridgeman.

Feb 8, 2022 Board Meeting

- The Board took in a virtual demonstration from a Copperhaven School

delegation. Teacher Linda Trippel demonstrated an example of a small group numeracy intervention session involving Grade 3 students. (10:50 mark of video)

- The Board approved the recommendation directing administration to further explore the following recommendations outlined in a previously received Attendance Area Review ( <https://www.psd.ca/download/378346>) prepared by consultants from Edmonton Public Schools Infrastructure planning: related to a Division-wide Attendance Area Review:

- Recommendation A, Option 1 - Converting Parkland Village School to a K-6 school

- Recommendation A, Option 3 - Redirecting Parkland Village students to Woodhaven School

- Recommendation B - Address space challenges at Copperhaven School by monitoring future growth and pre-designating growth areas to Brookwood and Woodhaven while adding 2 - 3 modular classrooms at Copperhaven.

- Recommendation F - Address High Park School space constraints by adjusting rural boundaries.

- Recommendation G - Address Forest Green School's future capacity by monitoring enrolment and adding 1-2 modular units if warranted.

- Recommendation J - Move senior high French Immersion from Spruce Grove Composite High School to Memorial Composite High School in Stony Plain addressing both over capacity at SGCHS and transportation challenges busing students from PSD's west end for high school French Immersion.

- Recommendation K - Address future growth areas in East Spruce Grove.

- Recommendation L - Address future growth challenges in developing areas of West Spruce Grove.

- Recommendation M - Address future growth challenges in developing areas of Stony Plain.

o Recommendation N - Prioritizes plans for future capital projects to address projected future growth challenges. (Eventual new school requests for Spruce Grove East, Spruce Grove West and Stony Plain.)

- The Board received as information the Health and Safety Report (<https://www.psd.ca/download/380265>) as presented by Deputy Superintendent, Mark Francis.

- The Board received as information the Student Services Report (<https://www.psd.ca/download/380266>) as presented by Associate Superintendent, Dr. Meg Miskolzie and Division Principal, Leah Andrews.

- The Board received as information the Transportation Services Department Report for the 2021- 2022 school year as presented by Director, Transportation Services, John Blood

#### 6. Principal Report –

Current enrolment: 123

##### 1) Covid: Still navigating the waters

- Another wave of colds/covid going through the school. Today we had approximately 18 students out with cold symptoms, 3 with gastrointestinal symptoms, and 3 close contacts who are opting to isolate

- Currently: 3 staff isolating (one returning tomorrow); 1 staff member is not well. We are experiencing difficulty obtaining subs at this time, so we are really trying to keep staff healthy.

- Planning to hold parent teacher interviews in person with a virtual option. Too many families do not have stable internet access or devices other than phones. PTIs have been frustrating for most and there has been low turnout.

##### 2) Entwistle School has a separate Facebook page

- Recommended we do so to avoid fundraising confusion

##### 3) Badminton will be starting soon.

4) As per Thought Exchange, we are working on getting our student recognition, assemblies, parent volunteerism, etc. planned again.

7. Old Business: N/A

8. New Business:

a) Candace brought up meeting for FOELS in person.

b) Entwistle will be using Koda Photography for the 2022/2023 school year. The offer online and paper ordering, Smart did not.

9. Other: There are 3 skating days left, the students are loving the opportunity.

School fees are due.

Registration is open for 2022/2023.

10. Adjournment – Candace Cradock

Time: 4:10pm