



MEETING MINUTES

Lakeland Ridge Parent Council

Tuesday November 16, 2021, 6:30pm | Meeting called to order by April Childs, Chair

In Attendance

• Mr. Huculak, Principal	• April Childs, Chair
• Alexandra Candler, Assistant Principal (Grade Administrator for Grades 1, 3, 5, 7, 9)	• Teresa Bladon, Vice-Chair (subbing as Secretary tonight)
• Kerri Williams, Assistant Principal (Grade Administrator for Grades K, 2, 4, 6, 8)	• <i>Kerri Holmes, Secretary (absent)</i>
• Jim Seutter, EIPS Board Trustee	• Parents (0)

Welcome & Introductions

- The Board, Administration and parents were introduced.

Agenda & Approval of Minutes

- Motion to accept November Agenda as presented made by April Childs. Seconded by Teresa Bladon. Carried.
- Approval of October Minutes as presented made by April Childs. Seconded by Teresa Bladon. Carried.

Reports

a. EIPS Board Trustee

- Welcome Trustee Jim Seutter. Trustee presented his report. Refer to the full [Trustee Report on the school website](#). Board meetings are always available [online](#).
- Board meetings typically open to the public; with COVID-19 protocols, it is now accessible via [EIPS YouTube channel](#) to listen in.
- Jim Seutter re-elected and continues to be our school liaison (Trustee).
- First Board meeting Oct. 28 elected Trina Boymook as Chair, Colleen Holowaychuk as Vice Chair.
- Requested approval of modular classroom requests, including relocating three modular classrooms to SouthPointe from Fultonvale.
- AB Education allocated funding for learning gaps due to COVID disruptions. \$700,000 additional money allocated for grades 2 & 3 this year. Grade 1 funding to be determined after testing in January to identify learning gaps.
- Assurance Reviews being completed (formerly Results Reviews). Lakeland Ridge Review is Nov. 26/21.
- Alberta School Boards Association fall meeting was held.
- Board retreat is Dec 6-7 in Camrose; focus on long range planning.

- New draft calendar for 2022-23 will be prepared. Proposals are coming to Trustees. Would like feedback on the current calendar. Comments:
 - Fall break gives teachers time to recharge.
 - Positive feedback from parents about fall break and starting school on a short week.
 - Reducing instructional days can save a lot of money, for example with transportation costs.
 - Possibility of another survey for parents on the school calendar.
 - Possibility of more PD days because of new curriculum that is coming on board. Try to keep 181 instructional days and allow for additional PD days.

b. Administration Report

1. Welcome

2. School Trustee

- Congratulations to Trustee Jim Seutter on his being re-elected. Looking forward to having him attend our School Council Meetings.

3. COVID-19 Update

- Number of COVID-19 cases are dropping in the province
- EIPS Vaccine Mandate
 - All employees must be fully vaccinated and submit proof of vaccination by Dec. 1, 2021.
 - Effective immediately, new employees to the Division must be fully vaccinated and submit proof of vaccination as a condition of employment before their first scheduled workday.
 - Employees can provide me with a negative COVID-19 test result before coming to work. The negative COVID-19 test must be a privately paid COVID-19 PCR or rapid test—approved by Health Canada—and completed every 72 hours. The cost is the responsibility of the individual.

4. Alberta Education

- Schools to receive money to support literacy and numeracy in Division 1. Admin are looking at best way to support our students.

5. Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week

- There are several things going on all week. We are talking about it on morning announcements.
 - Monday, November 15 – Introduction to Bullying Awareness Week (Junior High – Discussed during ELA)
 - Tuesday, November 16 – Be an Upstander (Junior High – Discussed during Social Studies)
 - Wednesday, November 17 – One Kind Word (Junior High – Discussed during Math)

- Thursday, November 18 – Acts of Kindness (Junior High – Discussed during Science)
- Friday, November 19 – Staff and students wear their pink shirt

6. Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences

- Took place October 26, 27 and 28. This year, due to COVID19, parents had the choice to meet virtually with teachers via Microsoft Teams or by telephone. Comments /Feedback:
 - Both telephone and virtual options worked great.

7. Report Cards

- Will be published on Friday, November 26 (CSL for Elementary and PowerSchool for junior high). Parents of junior high students can go onto PowerSchool and select “Progress Report – R1” at the very top left of the navigation bar on the left.

8. Christmas Concert

- Lakeland Ridge School will not be hosting a Christmas concert this year due to the pandemic. We will be sending something out virtually (most likely through Brightspace). More information to follow.

9. Junior High Athletics Update

- Volleyball has wrapped up.
- Basketball tryouts began yesterday.
- EIPS Jr. High Schools will be participating in tournaments
- No spectators allowed as per Edmonton Metro. Schools continue to stream games.

10. Linking Generations Update

- Students will continue to meet virtually with seniors for the time being.

11. Your Future: Post-secondary and Career Fair

- EIPS is taking Your Future virtual to continue sharing this important information with students and families on November 23. EIPS has planned a series of short Microsoft Teams meets with presenters from a variety of organizations and institutions. Students in grades 9-12 are welcome to join! Check the EIPS website or see our counselor, Mrs. McNutt, for more information.

12. School Resource Officers (SROs)

- Will be assigned to schools once again. We have not yet met ours, but I imagine this will happen shortly.
- SRO will meet with students, have some engagement with classes, is there to build relationships so kids feel comfortable around the police. If there is something that happens in the school, the Resource Officer may talk with students, but only with parent’s permission.

13. School Education Plan and Assurance Review (Formerly Results Review)

LLR School Education Plan and Assurance Review 2020-21 Document

- Today, we would like to spend a bit of time reviewing our Assurance Review Document. This document has been submitted to Central Office for distribution to trustees.
- Alberta Education Assurance Review – We will be having our annual Assurance Review on Friday, November 26 at 1:00pm via Zoom. Superintendent Liguori, Associate Superintendent Stoddard, and many of the trustees will also be participating in the Assurance Review. School administration from the following schools will be in attendance:
 - Fort Saskatchewan Christian
 - Fultonvale
 - Mundare
 - SouthPointe
 - Lakeland Ridge
- Teresa Bladon, our School Council Vice-Chair, will also be in attendance. Thank you, Teresa.
- Comments /Feedback: None provided

14. Other

- DARE program is running (Constable Barbara Hoffman). Moved to grade 5 this year (previously was grade 6).

c. COSC Report

- Meeting was two weeks ago.
- Presentation about School Resource Officer program.
- Alberta School Council Engagement Grant: \$500 for every School Council to use for professional development (e.g., mental health), engagement activities (e.g., math night, book swap), etc. Guidelines for what grant can and cannot be used for. Timing and distribution of grant TBD. [Alberta School Council Engagement \(ASCE\) Grant: Alberta School Councils' Association.](#)
- Ideas discussed at meeting:
 - Numeracy or literacy night to try and engage parents and kids
 - Using food (i.e. family pizza orders) as part of event to boost interest in event
 - Marketing, prizes, etc. help to get kids and parents engaged
- Jacquie Surgenor: Staff website where parents can contribute (anonymously or not) to boost a teacher or school administration. Comments are compiled and sent to school. Potential idea to get parents involved and support staff. April to look into this; will bring up again at a later meeting.

Old Business

- a. N/A

New Business

1. Accountability Pillar

- Now the **Assurance Survey**, included in Assurance Review
- Assurance Survey likely to go out in February this year

- Note: Grade 6 and 9 are writing PATs this year. Unsure about Grade 3. Diploma exams (Grade 12) will be worth 10%.

Adjournment

- Next meeting is Tuesday, January 11, 2022 @ 6:30pm

Meeting adjourned at 7:21 pm

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