

MEETING MINUTES

Lakeland Ridge Parent Council

Tuesday, October 8th, 2024, 6:37pm | Meeting called to order by Andy Cunningham, Principal

In Attendance

Mr. Cunningham, Principal	
Mrs. Sparrow, Assistant Principal	Don Irwin, EIPS Board Trustee
Ms. Ortigosa, Assistant Principal	• Parents: in person (4), Online (0)

Welcome, Agenda & Introductions

- The Board, Administration and parents were introduced.
- Agenda Amendments- None. Motion to approve, Teresa. 2Nd April
- Last Meeting Minutes- Motion to approve, Teresa, 2nd April.

Reports

a. EIPS Board Trustee

- Collaboration and professional learning.
- The board and administration have been spending a great deal of time investigating the relationship between staff collaboration and professional learning and student results.
- We the research has found that there is a definite positive influence on student learning with staff collaboration and professional learning. We are investigating ways to include more collaboration and professional learning in the timetable yet maintaining all of the instructional minutes.
- A survey will be coming out to all parents staff in the next month to investigate how we can create more time yet maintain all the instructional minutes.
- Chiller machine at Salisbury composite
- This unit provides air conditioning to all of the upper level at Sal. We have approved 1 million
 dollars from reserve to begin the process of planning ordering tendering etc to replace the unit
 next summer.
- The board reviewed over 200 projects which were completed by our maintenance and facilities department over the summer to provide maintenance and upgrades to each School.

- New accessible playground at Wes Hosford Elementary
- In September the opening of this project took place which provides all students access to a playground that meets all students needs. Congratulations to the school council School administration, and the county for cooperation and joint funding.
- In September I also attended the official groundbreaking ceremony for the Sherwood Park replacement school which replaces Sherwood Heights Junior high and Campbelltown schools. The project is expected to be completed for opening in September of 2025. A survey for naming the new school will be coming out this fall.
- Ideas suggestions and questions. Please contact me by phone text or email at dawn Irwin@eips.ca or my cell phone is 587-986-3900.

b. Teacher's Report

- See Attached report.
- Important Dates and Events
 - Oct. 9 Jersey Day
 - Oct. 10 Elder Bert Auger coming to LLR
 - Oct. 14 Thanksgiving Day (No School)
 - Oct. 15 Linking Generations Visit
 - Oct. 16-17 Parent/Teacher Interviews
 - Oct. 23-24 Picture Retakes
 - Oct. 29 Linking Generations Visit

c. Administration Report

Andy Cunningham provided the following update; Also refer to School report at end of Minutes.

Celebrations

- Terry Fox raised over \$12,000!!!!
- Orange Shirt Day Assembly
- Volleyball
- Cross Country
- Read-In Week
- Linking Generations

Important Dates and Events

October

- Oct. 7 11 Read in Week
- Oct. 9 Jersey Day!
- Oct. 9 Grade 5 D.A.R.E.
- Oct. 9 Zone 5 Cross Country Championships
- Oct. 14 Thanksgiving Monday No School
- Oct. 15 Linking Generations Visit #1
- Oct. 15-18 Book Fair
- Oct. 16 & 17 Parent Teacher Interviews

- Oct. 18 & 19 Sr Volleyball Tournament
- Oct. 21-31 Annual Food Drive for the Food Bank
- Oct. 23 Picture Retakes
- Oct. 24 Picture Retakes (KB)
- Oct. 29 Linking Generations Visit #2 November
- Nov. 5 Linking Generations Visit #3
- Nov. 6 Early Out/Everything but a Backpack Day
- Nov. 8 Remembrance Day Assembly
- Nov.11-15 Fall Break
- Nov. 26 Linking Generations Visit #4
- Nov. 29 Report Cards go live!

Staffing

- Welcome back to Robyn Atwood (Complex Needs funding)
- Enabled us to open up the library for junior high students over lunch (student feedback)

Budget, Staffing, Projects

- Mental Health in Schools Project (Junior High)
- Courtney Bullerkist (8 blocks)
- Focus: Collaborating with teachers to integrate regulation and focused attention practices in their classrooms
- Mental Health Flagship Project (Elementary)
- Playshops: SFS Consultant, Tammy, Lynnette
- Focus: Teaching students about how their brain works and integrating regulation strategies into their classrooms
- Add visual
- PL Day Division-led Professional Learning Communities
- Teacher collaboration = professional learning that will positively effect teaching practice
- Parent Session: No Such Thing as a Bad Kid by Strathcona County Family Resource Network
- Date: Nov.19
- Time: 5:00-6:30pm
- Location: Ardrossan Elementary
- Family Resource Network potential future sessions?
- Fall Program Guide
- Den Dining Rules coming to elementary classrooms soon

Feedback Items:

- School Photos
- How did it go compared to last year?
- EIPS Personal Device Policy
- LLR Personal Device Policy
- Likely very few changes
- Parental Engagement and Representation

d. COSC Report

- First COSC meeting of the year was held Oct. 2/24.
- Elections took place.
- ASCA (Alberta School Councils' Association) shared a presentation on the Work of School Council
 - All school councils have an ASCA membership. This means they can access the <u>Members Only</u> <u>section</u> of the ASCA website to find resources

- ATA Report: This year, the ATA's focus is on advocating for the provincial government's support in funding public education. If COSC members are interested in supporting this effort, they can contact <u>Deneen Zielke</u>.
- Caregiver Education Series: Recovery Alberta 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. <u>Learn more</u>
- School Council Engagement Grant: Alberta Education is providing school councils with a \$500 School Council Engagement Grant. For more information about the grant process and FAQs, see the EIPS website.
- All School Council members are welcome to attend COSC meetings. Meeting dates for 2024-25:
 - O Nov. 6, 2024
 - O Jan. 8, 2025
 - o Feb. 5, 2025
 - o March 5, 2025
 - o April 2, 2025
 - O May 7, 2025

New Business

- Feedback Items:
 - School Photos
 - o Great turn out, the quality and pricing were appreciated.
 - EIPS Personal Mobile Device Policy
 - O What FAQs would you and your children want to see?
 - What are the consequences?
 - Clarifications about where the devices should be kept and times they are allowed.
 - Clarify what has changed this year vs last.
 - Parental Engagement and Representation
 - School Council meetings- How to get more involvement?
 - Virtual Meetings- will begin again next month
 - Alternating meeting dates
 - What does parent engagement mean, examples and time commitment charts
 - To be distributed through multiple channels
 - More family friendly events
 - APEGA Science night-<u>APEGA SCIENCE NIGHT</u>
 - Women in STEM night
 - Math night- Sponsors?

Adjournment

- Next meeting is Wednesday, November 20th @ 6:30pm
- Meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm

Contact Parent Council

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