



Heritage Hills Elementary  
School Council Meeting

November 15, 2023

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Meeting Minutes

Meeting to be held in the Learning Commons at HHE

1. Welcome and Call to Order at 6:34 pm.
  - 1.1. Review and approval of agenda for November 15, 2023 M/S/C
  - 1.2. Review and approve past meeting minutes from May 10, 2023 and September 13, 2023. M/S/C
2. Old Business:
  - No old business to be discussed.
3. Update for Parents:
  - 3.1. School Trustee Update

Trina Boymook, School Board Trustee

In regards to the French Immersion decision the superintendent is currently reviewing the information. There was new information that came forward and is taking that information into consideration as well. Next meeting is on December 14th, not sure if there will be a decision made at that time or not. Trina will email Kelly with any updated information as soon as it is known when it will be on the School Board agenda.

School Assurance reviews starting next week. Heritage Hills is going to be held on Monday November 27th at 9am at Davidson Creek School. Representatives from the school council will be attending and also participate in the discussions.

School Board trustees, along with the education critic, Rakhi Pancholi, did a few classroom visits at Davidson Creek school and the purpose was to highlight class size and complexities. It does not always come down to the number of students in each class as the student needs are also considered when discussing class sizes. Some teachers would rather teach larger class sizes than having students with more complex needs in their classes.

They do not want to drag the decision out longer than possible but only as long as required to gather the proper amount of information for the recommendation.

Currently EIPS is spending over 5 million dollars in addition to the special education funding. This allows those students to receive quality education.

EIPS School Board meetings do have a livestream and this livestream stays on the EIPS you tube channel for 24 hours after the meeting and is open for all to watch.

### 3.2. School Update

Mr. Schlacht, Mme. Johnston and School Team

Since the last school council meeting there was the second annual Halloween dance. It was a hit and all in attendance had fun. This year went super smooth. There were lots of families dressed up as well as school staff.

On October 31, the school hosted a costume parade and there were quite a few parents in attendance.

The school hosted their first Remembrance Day ceremony just prior to the Fall Break and this was well attended. At the end of the ceremony many of the kids took off their poppies and left them on the table and it was nice to see all the poppies together. Families were also asked to send in pictures of any family members who currently are in the military or who have served in the military and Ms. Carruthers had them displayed on the school pictures. This is something that the school would like to continue to add photos to.

Mme. Lundrum, the new Grade 3 French Immersion teacher, had started and hosted a zoom meeting with the Grade 3 parents in order to meet them.

December 7th will be the Christmas concert and will be held at the school. There will be Div 1 and Div 2 divided. Kindergarten will be done in the afternoon. Dr Boyer was asking about recording it and would like to have a livestream as well for the concert.

Blanket exercise will be done November 16, 2023, in the school gym. It is open to other schools as well and for parents only. From 6:30pm - 8pm. There will be tea and bannock.

Book fair that was held on meet the teacher night raised \$4000 profit.

New Business:

7:15 pm - 7:30 pm

- School Photos - Lifetouch

School photos for the 2023-2024 school year were done by Lifetouch and there were many issues and concerns with the company. Lifetouch purchased Icon a

few years ago which is why the school used Lifetouch. There have been issues with the school receiving their proofs and some schools did not get any proofs at all. Stacey met with Edge Photography and saw examples of their work and will be going with Edge Photography for the 2024-2025 school year. Edge has much crisper backgrounds and when the children are getting their photos done they will receive a QR Code from the company which is how parents will receive the proofs. From date of order until receiving photos is approximately 8 days. They will do class photos in the spring as well. If you order the photos then you get gifted a class photo.

- School Council Engagement Grant Application 2023-2024  
List of options of sessions that can be done was discussed. These can be workshops or conferences. The School Council has until December 30, 2023 to decide what they would like to do.

4. Updates from School Council:

4.1. Chair - Kelly Annesty 7:30 pm - 7:40 pm

I was not able to attend the Halloween dance due to being at a conference. Appeared that all who attended had a great time. I will be attending the Quality Assurance Review meeting on November 27, 2023, as the School Council representative. Tomorrow evening (November 16) is the Blanket Exercise for Parents taking place in the school gym.

4.2. Vice Chair - Jodi Lakevold

Talked about possibly having online meetings again. Can be done if needed.

4.3. Secretary - Dani Till

Not present at meeting

5. Adjournment of meeting at 7:30 pm.

6. Upcoming Meeting Dates:

December 2023 - No Meeting	January 17, 2024	February 2024 - No Meeting
March 13, 2024	April 10, 2024	May 8 - 2024 - AGM