



Heritage Hills Elementary
School Council Meeting

April 17, 2024

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Minutes

Meeting to be held in the Learning Commons at HHE

1. Welcome and Call to Order 6:31 pm - 6:35 pm
 - 1.1. Review and approval of agenda for April 17, 2024
 - 1.2. Review and approve past meeting minutes from March 13, 2024
[March 13, 2024 Meeting Minutes](#)

2. Old Business: 6:35 pm - 6:45 pm
 - Currently no outstanding business.

3. Update for Parents:
 - 3.1. School Trustee Update 6:45 pm - 7:00 pm

Trina Boymook, School Board Trustee
Ryan Marshall attended in Trina's place.

 - EIPS budget
 - The difficult part is that the budget remains status quo with small increases based on enrollment in growth numbers; HHE won't see any of these increases.
 - Looking at how to fund for inflation but this year's budget will be pushed back by a week, the principals will get it by early May. 10 day turnaround for school's to make decisions on staff.
 - Reserve spending budget is being talked about at 10 am, April 18th, in person at the board office for anyone who wants to attend

 - 3.2. School Update 7:00 pm - 7:15 pm

Mr. Schlacht and School Team

 - Ward Milligan - May 3rd is his last day
 - 2 French positions posted - 1 temp and 1 term
 - Mme Harris is moving to southern Alberta.
 - Fees: Noon hour supervision for larger families will not be reduced based on number of children. Each child will be charged the same amount as each child requires supervision. If parents are concerned, they can appeal to the school

- Playground: With the school being new, and inside the first 4 years, things are starting to settle, mud is becoming an issue. Grass doesn't continue to grow, creating mud holes. IMR funding - HHE qualifies for this to add blacktop to some of the muddy areas. This should be coordinated with facilities to ensure that paving doesn't interfere with the basketball court.
- FR Hawthorne came out to do a presentation and it went over really well with the students.
- Yearbooks: Sold 38 to date. ACTION: Stacey to send out notice for yearbook purchases to be posted to facebook.
- Scheduling of the school gym is beginning for next year. School council and FAHHE should send in any date requests for dances, events etc to Stacey Carruthers by April 30
- Sports Day: Will be Friday, May 31st. Division 2 am, Division 1 afternoon. Backup date: Tuesday June 25th. Hotdog lunch to be provided in a staggered approach.
- Spring ukulele concert: Went over really well.
- Overview of the budget for staffing. Of the overall budget, staff salaries shouldn't be more than 96% of the schools budget. Once the school knows the budget, they then start looking at how many FTEs they can afford based on the enrollments. Current school make up is ¼ French immersion and ¾ English.
- Outdoor Recess: Parents asked about how decisions are made in terms of keeping kids inside vs. outside. Since our weather has been a bit all over the place, Stacey Carruthers will add a note to the Parent Weekly stating that kids will go outside regardless of weather and to please provide appropriate clothing.
- Skating - how is it decided they go? Teachers get to decide. A suggestion was made to set metrics of set amounts of time to go out a year. Colder weather for the upper grades, warmer weather for the younger kids.
- Teacher comfort on the trip supervisor form and they may not feel comfortable with some of the skating and other activities.
- Suggestion: Put out a standby volunteer list to call out to see if they can come out and help volunteer for classes where volunteer numbers might be low.

4. New Business:

7:15 pm - 7:30 pm

- Alberta School Councils' Association (ASCA) Resolutions
[ASCA Resolution Package 2024](#)

ASCA resolutions:

1. Integrate Climate and Bioersivity Education - Not Approved

2. Funding for More Assessment of Learning Disabilities - Schools test 2-9 times a year on their own - Approved
3. Improving Indoor Air Quality in Alberta Classrooms & Shared Environments - Not Approved
4. Equity in Playground Funding - Approved
5. Preserving Safe and Inclusive Spaces for 2SLGBTQI+ students - Not Approved
6. Resource Support for French Immersion Teachers (Available Before Implementation of Curriculum Changes) - Approved
7. Enhanced Reporting of and Support for Class Size and Complexity - Approved

Re-Approvals

1. Funding of evening and summer schools - Approved
2. Textbook fees and workbooks - Approved
3. Field Trip Safety for Alberta Students - Approved
4. Recognition of School Completion / Opportunities for Post-Secondary Opportunities - Approved
5. Accountability - parental right to quality of service - Approved

Amendments:

1. Input on selection of school staff - Approved
2. Input on selection of principal - Approved
3. School nutrition programs - Approved
4. Appropriate use for standardized testing - Approved
5. Capital project approved criteria - Approved

COSC - Educational Composting was discussed. If interested in learning more, reach out to other schools who are doing it.

All positions in School Council will be available at the upcoming May 8th AGM.

5. Updates from School Council:
 - 5.1. Chair - Kelly Annelly 7:30 pm - 7:40 pm
 - 5.2. Vice Chair - Position vacant
 - 5.3. Secretary - Dani Till
 - 5.4. COSC Representative - Sarah

6. Adjournment of meeting 7:53 pm

7. Upcoming Meeting Dates:
 - May 8, 2024 - AGM