



Heritage Hills Elementary



School Council Meeting

September 12, 2024 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Agenda

Meeting to be held in the Learning Commons at HHE

In attendance: Shauna Samu, Jennifer Shiniman, Jodi Lakevold, Andrea Aleksic, Katie Castle, Tori Eskelson, Erin Wallish, Trisha Kercher, Veronica Jubinville, Richelle McLean, Lana Saunders, Brianne Mudryk, Allison Glubish, Erran Milligan, Shannon Robichaud, Vanessa Curle, Theresa Wells-Taylor, Stacey Carruthers, Kyla Harding, Garry Russell, Trina Boymook
Secretary: Jodi Lakevold

1. Welcome and Call to Order by Shauna Samu at 6:07
 - 1.1. Review and approval of agenda
 - ★ Motion by Erran Milligan
 - ★ Seconded by Richelle McLean
 - 1.2. Introductions
 - 1.3. Review and approve past meetings minutes (May 8, 2024 AGM)
 - ★ Delayed until 2025 AGM

2. Old Business:
 - N/A

3. Update for Parents:
 - 3.1. School Trustee Update
 - Trina Boymook, School Board Trustee
 - August 22 board meeting -EIPS received 1.6 million in one time funding from the Government of Alberta to address higher than expected enrollment growth. Allocated out to schools right away - targeting classroom complexity.
 - Broke ground on Sherwood Heights replacement school today. Expected completion date is spring 2026
 - Mid-October families are invited to suggest new names for the replacement school. School name to be selected at December Board meeting.
 - COSC - first meeting October 2, 2024
 - ★ Trustee Report attached at bottom of minutes
 - 3.2. School Update
 - Mr. Russell and Mme Harding
 - Meet the teacher BBQ - went great!

- 491 students registered. 112 students in the French program.
- Teacher lead/volunteer clubs
 - Games club grades 4-6
 - Intramurals at lunch
 - Jump rope for heart
 - Lego club grade 1-3
 - Ski Trip - march 6
 - Track and field
 - Basketball club
- Field trip fees - families will be asked to pay field trip fees before each trip.
- New French Kindergarten teacher - Mme Foster

4. New Business:

- Meeting etiquette and expectations (paragraph added to sign in sheet)
 - Meetings should be a comfortable and safe environment where people are able to feel heard. Parents can bring concerns in person to the meeting, email the school council chair and speak to school council chair in person.
- Parent engagement
 - Parent volunteers are important to ensure events are able to run successfully
- Halloween Dance (October 25) admission tickets
 - Will be \$2 admission. Admission will include a raffle ticket and glow sticks for families. The admission cost will allow the committee to spend more on decorations/music
- Discretionary fund for Teachers
 - Suggesting \$150/teacher to spend as they see fit
- Purchasing 35 new Chromebooks this year
 - Most of HHE chromebooks are due to be replaced. 35 will be replaced this year using funds from FAHHE
- Ski Trip (grades 4-6) March 6
 - Currently being planned and more info to come
- Lunch Clubs (subcommittee, parent volunteers)
 - Clubs are moving forward and currently in the planning phase. If you are interested in volunteering your time please contact School Council
- Intramurals
 - Currently being planned.
- Playground update (fund approval in November, planning call held on September 11)
 - Plan is currently to break ground in July 2025
- COSC meeting October 2, 2024

- Shauna Samu to attend

5. Updates from School Council:

5.1. Chair - Shauna Samu

★ Thank you to everyone who attended and volunteered for the meet the teacher BBQ

5.2. Vice Chair - Jennifer Shiniman

5.3. Secretary - Jodi Lakevold

6. Adjournment of meeting at 7:00 pm - motioned by Shauna Samu seconded by Jen Shiniman.

7. Upcoming Meeting Dates:

November 21, 2024

January 9, 2025

March 13, 2025

May 8, 2025

Trustee Report
Trina Boymook

Welcome to another school year. I'm excited that you have decided to attend the first school council meeting of the year. School Council meetings is a great way to hear directly from your school principal about what is taking place in the school and to share your thoughts on how we can improve as a school system and build a supportive school environment for all students.

The Board meet August 22 for our first meeting of the 2024-25 school year.

In July the Minister of Education announced one time funding to address higher than expected enrolment growth and unavoidable cost pressures, including inflation. It was anticipated that we would receive \$1.6M of the \$125M. At our August 22 meeting we approved the allocation of these new funds.

The \$1.6 will be targeted at classroom complexity with \$66K going to cover the cost of an EA Capacity Building Pilot (ensuring our educational assistants continue to be trained and up to date on the most effective practices to support complex students) with the remaining being allocated to schools using the newly developed classroom complexity algorithm

The algorithm includes the following factors:

- Provincial Achievement and Diploma Exam Test Results
- Socio-economic factors;
- First Nations, Métis and Inuit self-identified students;
- English as an Additional Language;
- Students in care; and
- Students with non-leveled special education codes and student population size

Today we held the groundbreaking ceremony for Sherwood Heights replacement school. Excavating of the new school site began early July. Construction is expected to be completed spring of 2026. As we prepare for the opening of the replacement school, a community survey will be made available mid-October gather thoughts on the name of the replacement school that will see Sherwood Heights and Ecole Campbelltown coming together under one roof.

COSC first meeting will be held on October 2. A Meet and Greet will be held ahead of the meeting starting at 5:30 where pizza and refreshments will be served.