

Woodbridge Farms School Council

Minutes

Monday, Nov. 27, 2023, 18:30 Woodbridge Farms Elementary School / Virtual

Principal:	Kari Huk
Assistant Principal:	Teri Pearn
School Board Trustee:	Cathy Allen
Chair:	Leanne Weiss
Vice Chair:	Marco Candia
Secretary:	Mel Fawcett

Agenda Item	Notes	Actions
1.0 Welcome	6:37 Land acknowledgment and Welcome introductions by Leanne Weiss. We acknowledge that we are on Treaty 6 territory and the traditional homeland of the Métis Nation. These are the meeting grounds, gathering place, and travelling route to the Cree, Nakota Sioux, Dene, Saulteaux, Blackfoot, and Métis. We acknowledge all the many First Nations, Métis, and Inuit whose footsteps have marked these lands for centuries. At Woodbridge Farms, we recognize our responsibility as Treaty members and honour the heritage and gifts of the First Peoples.	
2.0 Review and Approval of Previous Minutes	6:40 p.m. Nana motions to approve September minutes. 2 nd by Leanne. All in favour.	Approved as circulated
	6:42 p.m. Julie motions to approve September AGM meeting minutes. 2 nd by Alexia. All in favour.	Approved as circulated
3.0 Approval of Agenda	6:43 p.m. Mel motions to approve the current agenda. 2 nd by Taryn. All in favour.	Approved as circulated

4.0 Trustee Report	6:44 p.m.	
	School Board Trustee Cathy Allen	
	TRUSTEES' SCHOOL TOURS	
	On October 17, trustees visited École Parc Élémentaire, Fort Saskatchewan Christian, Fort Saskatchewan Elementary, Fort Saskatchewan High and Next Step Fort Saskatchewan as part of its 2023-24 Trustees' School Tours. The Board thanked all the school staff and students for hosting the tours. Trustees enjoyed learning and hearing about each school and the programs offered. There will be two more days of school tours in Spring 2024.	
	THREE-YEAR STRATHCONA COUNTY ENGAGEMENT: FRENCH IMMERSION PROGRAMMING	
	This item was removed from the Board meeting agenda. The Superintendent received new information that needs to be reviewed. Once this information has been reviewed a motion will be brought to the Board at a future meeting.	
	MODULAR CLASSROOM REQUEST: 2023-24	
	The Board directed EIPS administration to request funding from Alberta Education to address needed changes to several modular classroom units in the 2024-25 school year. If approved, the Division will: • add two new modular classrooms to Ardrossan Elementary; • add two new modular classrooms to South Pointe School; and • demolish two ageing modular classrooms at Westboro Elementary, followed by a site reclamation. EIPS hopes a decision from the province comes before the end of the 2023-24 school year.	
	EIPS ENROLMENT: 2023-24 The Board received for information the Division's Enrolment Report for the 2023-24 school year. Enrolment numbers were collected from the PowerSchool database on Sept. 29, 2023. In total 17,760 students are registered within EIPS—an increase of 300 students from fall 2022.	
	ASSURANCE REVIEWS	
	Assurance Reviews are held annually (October and November) with EIPS Central Departments and Schools. These meetings and discussions around department plans and school education plans provides the Board of Trustees with a wealth of information to fulfil our fiduciary responsibilities to ensure our division is spending its resources appropriately and has plans in	

	place to support the achievement of the goals and outcomes identified in EIPS Four Year Strategic Plan. The Board of Trustees is responsible and accountable to the public and to the Provincial Government for the expenditure of the EIPS \$200 million annual budget. As part of the accountability process, Trustees have the opportunity to participate in the review of the results of Central Departments and Schools for the 2022-23 year, while also learning how the results have impacted the plans for the current school year. These meeting allow trustees to hear about: Department/school successes and achievements Department/School opportunities for growth Common challenges that were encountered	
	This helps trustees, at a governance level, to determine how we can best support the work of the Division.	
	ADVOCACY The Board of Trustees met with the Mayor Hauch, from Bruderheim, to discuss partnerships between the town and EIPS. The Board of Trustees met with Education Critic MLA Rakhi Pancholi and MLA Kyle Kasawski to discuss Advocacy priorities. The Board of Trustees had conversation with Minister of Technology and Innovation Nate Glubish. The Board of Trustees attended the Alberta School Board Association Fall General Meeting. Several Position Statements were accepted. These position statements will inform the advocacy work of ASBA and the Provincial Government.	
	Questions asked: None	
5.0 COSC (Committee of School Councils)	 7:00 p.m. COSC Meeting Report Attended virtually by Marco Candia Meeting focused on assurance reports. \$500 education grant to be submitted by end of year. – Parent engagement focused workshops or seminars. Questions asked: None 	

6.0 School Report	7:10 p.m.	
	Principal Kari Huk and Vice Principal Teri Pearn	
	Bullying Awareness Week	
	 "Be kind to yourself, then let your kindness fill the world." 	
	 A variety of books were shared with students 	
	 Students participated in activities that begin with showing kindness to themselves and leading 	
	 to how we show kindness to other. Constable Chantelle Kelly presented to students on Friday November 17. 	
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	Read-a-Thon – November 24, 2023	
	 Raised \$5,500 	
	 A big thankyou to Jess and Taryn for organizing pledges, volunteers for preparing and leading literary stations. 	
	 Division 1 and 2 students were split up. Each group participated in 4 literacy stations. 	
	 Literacy activities will be shared on our website for parents to access. 	
	Christmas Plans:	
	December 12, 6:30 p.m. @ Agora	
	Doors open at 6:00 Squart maximum por student	
	2 guest maximum per student. Theme Days in December	
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	 Dec. 1 Red/Green Day Dec. 8 Holiday Headwear Day 	
	 Dec. 5 Holiday headwear Day Dec 15 Ugly Christmas Sweater Day 	
	 Dec.22 Holiday PJ Day 	
	School Initiatives	
	Strathcona Christmas Bureau	
	 We will be accepting donations from Nov.29 - Dec. 8 	
	 New, unwrapped food items 	
	 Gift Cards (for groceries and toys) 	
	 Food and gift donations can be dropped off in the bins in the front display case. Cift eards can be dropped off at the office. 	
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	Collaborative Response Model at WB	
	Every 6 to 8 weeks collaborative team meetings occur.	
	 Using data and evidence staff work together focusing on educational goals and supporting 	
	student needs.	
	 Different consultants (Math, literacy, etc.) are brought into support staff as needed. 	

	Important Dates:	
	December	
	 Dec 1 Report Cards available online Dec 6 Early Dismissal – School Spirit Day Dec 22 Last Day of School 	
	January	
	 Classes Resume Jan 10 Early Dismissal – School Spirit Day Jan 15 School Council Meeting Jan 31 No School - PLD 	
	Contact information	
	 Website <u>https://www.woodbridgefarms.ca/</u> Facebook <u>https://www.facebook.com/wbfschool</u> X @wbfschool 	
	Questions asked:	
	None	
7.0 New Business	7:32	
	Cookies and hot chocolate for students on Dec. 19	Move to parent council for approval.
8.0 Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at: 7:32 p.m.	
	Next Meeting Dates:	
	 January 15, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. March 11, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. 	
	• May 13, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.	
	Location: Woodbridge Farms Elementary / Virtual	