



## Hillgrove School Council

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### Council Meeting

#### Minutes

February 28, 2023

7:00 p.m. Hill Library

School superintendent, Krimson Sumners came to the beginning of the meeting to gather information to aid with the new principal hiring. She was also at the school today to get feedback from staff. There was also a form sent out to council members via email. Those on the short list have experience with the many different streams offered at Hillgrove. Chris feels the new principal should have a familiarity with Hillgrove and Wildrose. Timothy would like to see enthusiasm for outdoor education. Amanda hopes they will have the same even-keeled, calm demeanor Randy possesses.

1. **Call to order at 7:20 p.m.**
2. **In attendance:** John Allen (trustee) Amanda Ansah (secretary), Christie Jensen (vice-principal), Randy Roszell (principal), Krimson Sumners, Tim Sutton (Chair) and Chris Tse.
3. Amanda motions acceptance of agenda as amended. Chris seconds.
4. Amanda motions acceptance of minutes of January 24, 2023, meeting. Chris seconds.

#### 5. **Reports:**

##### **Administration Report:**

Term 2 Starts! - Option changes for Grades 7 and 8 students!

Convention - Staff got to see and hear a variety of speakers, and to network and relax as well.

Basketball - Quarter finals finished tonight. (Results???)

Cheer - Second Competition this weekend! The team placed Second in Cheerific!!

Stakeholders - Earlier in February. Continuing our work around anti-racism and embracing differences!

Headstrong (Mental Health) Summit - Mme Ferrari took our leadership class to continue our work on building capacity and mental health in youth

Caretaker Ricardo Dorado retired after 16 years. Today is his last day.

Librarian Suzanne Weir retiring at the end of March.

Open House - March 15th at 7pm! For new JUNIOR HIGH Students. Different roll-out plan for next year's Grade 5s, with transitions including visits and being visited.

Winter Festival - today! So much fun, although the wind near the end of the event had us inside earlier than expected.

Badminton - season starts in a week or two! We have 8-10 coaches developing the little kiddos skills!

Interviews and Celebrations of Learning - March 21/22

Awards - looking at updating our awards. Name changes but keeping the essence of what we currently have. Also looking at incorporating the Elementary awards into our Junior High year-end awards. Your input would be appreciated.



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### Trustee Report:

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Exciting news for the division with the January 24 announcement from the Education and Infrastructure ministries that a \$46.3 million dollar expansion and modernization will be commencing at Bellerose Composite High School. Also important is that these ministries acknowledge the growing need in the division for additional high school space. However, despite extensive advocacy with the City of St. Albert, there is not an appropriate school site available to accommodate a high school in the city. Therefore it is unlikely that the division will be awarded a high school until the City makes one available.

Provincial and regional education organizations are preparing for advocacy initiatives ahead of the anticipated provincial election in the Spring 2023. Resources for families and community members expressing priorities for education will be available shortly.

The Board of Trustees and Senior Administration met with members of the official opposition, including St. Albert MLA Marie Renaud, on January 18 to discuss our priorities for public school education as well as with Alberta School Boards Association President and Vice President to discuss the two position statements submitted by St. Albert Public Schools and passed at the November 2022 Fall General Meeting that were cross-ministerial in nature. A meeting with Morinville-St. Albert MLA Dale Nally was held February 15, 2023. An additional meeting with St. Albert MLA Marie Renaud and official opposition education critic MLA Sarah Hoffman is planned for March. Invitations to meet with candidates in both the St. Albert and Morinville-St. Albert constituencies have been extended for April.

The division's annual Stakeholders Meeting was held Thursday, February 16, 2023 at North Pointe Church with a focus on anti-racism and equity.

The division will be closely watching implications to education with the release of today's provincial budget. A letter from the Minister of Education is included with my report.

The grand opening event for the new Paul Kane building will be March 7, 2023 (rather than March 9, 2023 as previously noted).

The board will be working with administration to nominate the division's Wisdom and Guidance Committee for the Public School Boards Association of Alberta's award "Promoting and Advancing One or More of the Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada in Relation to Education within Alberta."

The deadline to submit nomination forms for candidates to the Board of Directors of the Alberta School Councils Association is April 7, 2023 for the April 23, 2023 Annual General Meeting. This year's conference will be held April 21 and 22, with a focus on connection.

### **January 25, 2023 Public Board Meeting Highlights**

#### • The board **approved**:

- The Preliminary Deductions from the Instruction Block for 2023-2024.
- The Basis of Allocation for 2023-2024.
- A modification to the 2022-2023 Schedule of Public Board meetings by cancelling the February 8, 2023, Public Board meeting.

#### • The board **provided direction to circulate**:

- The draft Administration Regulations F-610-AR, Administration of Medication to Child/Student, and F-620-AR, Emergency Medical Treatment of Students.



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- The board **provided direction to administration for the preparation of the final draft of:**
  - Board Policy A-170, Whistle-Blower Protection and the accompanying regulations.
  - Board Policy D-110, Certificated Staff Placements and Transfers and the accompanying regulations.
- The board **received as information:**
  - A verbal report on the January 24, 2023 announcement of a \$46.3 million-dollar addition and modernization of Bellerose Composite High School.
  - The St. Albert RCMP Detachment School Resource Officer Program and Community Policing Program - Year End Report 2021-2022.
  - The quarterly financial report for the three months ended November 30, 2022.
  - The 2021-2022 Infrastructure Maintenance and Renewal (IMR) Funding Final Cost Report.
  - The division's 2023-2024 modular requests.
  - The status report for policies/regulations/procedures currently in development.

### **Chairperson Report:**

- With Michelle stepping down, Tim will “up” his game!

### **Fundraising Society Report:**

- Soup and Bannock and Bread new fundraiser for February.
- Casino April 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. Still need volunteers.

### **Questions:**

- Q: Does the school have the equipment to play pickle ball?  
A: Yes. It is not known if the classes use it on their own.

6. Adjournment: meeting adjourned by Tim at 8:11 p.m.
7. **Next meeting is April 18, 2023 Following the Fundraising meeting.**

Minutes recorded by Amanda Ansah

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Signature