

ÉCOLE ELBOW VALLEY SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

June 1st, 2016
1:00 PM

ATTENDANCE

KARIN HUNTER
BRANDI SHCROEDER
CELIA BARRINGTON
JUDI POOLE
LYNETTE LEPAN-SMITH
DARRELL LONSBERRY
DAN HOCH
LINDSAY ADAMS
TANNIS BO
MELANIE SPAGRUD
FRANKIE-LOU NELLIGAN
TRISH CULL
KIM BOSWELL
KIRSTEN HUNTER
JANICE HEPFNER
SALLY LOCKHART
NIKI FERBY
KATIE MAYER
MICHELLE HORNUNG
SALLY LOCKHART
KRISTEN HUNTER
NATALIE PENTNEY

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AGENDA

A. Welcome

Karin Hunter

B. Approval of Agenda

** Frankie-Lou Nelligan makes the motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by Melanie Spagrud*

C. Approval of October 2015 Meeting Minutes

**Tanis Bo makes the motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by Melanie Spagrud*

D. Middle School Transition

Dan Hoch

- Middle School tours have taken place
- Students met teachers, learned the layout of the school, and were interested in their lockers
- Students were given the opportunity to ask questions
- Transition conversations between teachers have been happening for students moving to the middle school
- Currently have 3 English classes French classes are not solidified just yet. At this point they are looking at one full French class and then one split class but this could change next fall. They do have a very qualified teacher who would like to teach the split class
- Rocky View's funding allows schools to allocate funding for teachers based on need and numbers
- Large influx of in area students who are new registrants
- Currently building an outdoor classroom at the Middle School
- Introduction to the new principal at Springbank Middle School, Darryll Lonsberry

E. Council Reports

1. Chair's Report

Karin Hunter /
Brandi Schroeder

Karin Hunter

- Volunteer Tea was a very nice event, thank you to the staff who helped organize and facilitate it
 - Swimming continues this month, thank you to the parents who have been volunteering for this activity
 - Michelle Pelligran is the new Grade one lunch supervisor. She will be putting a sign up on the website
 - Contact list for next years council has been sent out please let Karin know if any changes need to be made
 - Bylaws will be reviewed at the end of the meeting today
- Parent Council Thanks You!

Thank you to Melanie Spagrud for all of your hard work and dedication to parent council as treasurer. Your input and work has been amazing and we are so grateful for it.

Thank you to Cindy Perala-Ralph for all of her hard work and dedication to council over the years. You will be missed!

Thank you to Michelle Hornung for all of the work over the years and especially for all of the effort and hard work you put into making special lunches so great!

In the event Brenda Renowden is not back as the yearbook coordinator, thank you for all of your hard work on the yearbooks. We truly appreciate all of the work you have put into them.

Thank you to Celia and we wish you all the best in your future endeavors!

2. Principal's Report

Celia Barrington

- May has been a great month of celebration. Musicfest was a great show with our students singing and dancing like pros. And our Volunteer Tea had a nice turn out.
- School Education Plan and Budget has been submitted and we should see them on the website by the fall.
- Homeroom teachers are allocated from a central Allocation formula and we have been 6 Kindergarten classes of about 20 students each and 20 Gr. 1-4 homeroom classes. The largest classes are in Gr.4 with 30 students per class. These numbers may change in the fall, but additional teachers will not be allocated until then.
- We are able to maintain the support we presently have in terms of assistant time.
- Class lists have been finalized and this information will be sent out by mid June.
- June also brings the final Fire Drill (we hold 6 per year), Gr. 4 Talent Show, Calaway Park and Tug o War. K graduation and new K orientation. Several field trips, including rewarding our Friendly Helpers with a trip to the Wave Pool.
- August 31 Open House - meet the teacher 1-3pm
- Alberta Ed had removed mandatory FSL from the curriculum for grades 4 to 9 however, Rocky View will continue the programs
- And finally, thank you to our School Council Exec. And to all the parents who come to council. You are a terrific group to work with and our students and staff benefit greatly from your work.

3. Treasurer's Report

Melanie Spagrud

*Elbow Valley Elementary Parent Advisory Council
Statement of Revenue and Expenditures
As of May 31, 2016*

2015/16

2015/16

2014/15

	Actuals	Budget	Actuals
REVENUE			
Special Lunch Program	-	-	29,078.35
Special Lunch Program - rebate	15,923.77	10,000.00	7,666.80
Mathathon	23,844.25	20,000.00	27,627.55
Family Fun'raiser	14,140.00	10,000.00	12,300.90
CPF Springbank	-	-	900.00
Yearbook	1,719.68	-	125.00
FEEVESS	10,000.00	10,000.00	27,283.99
Interest Income	23.41	-	146.58
Total Revenue	65,651.11	50,000.00	105,129.17
EXPENDITURES			
Special Lunch Program	1,341.98	-	20,070.95
School Programs			
Grade Teams	3,406.69	8,000.00	6,211.51
Committees			
Volunteer Coordinator	775.26	1,000.00	657.78
Spirit of Caring	146.50	250.00	85.58
Bussing			
Field Trips	3,062.22	9,000.00	7,854.70
Skating	1,097.28	2,000.00	1,097.28
Swimming	1,397.00	14,600.00	10,647.68
Special Programs/Events			
Special Programs	9,208.35	8,800.00	12,654.96
Special Day - Literacy Week	1,720.03	2,000.00	-
Sports Day	-	500.00	415.10
In-Line Skating	9,026.96	10,520.00	9,985.96
Sound Kreations Residency	4,777.74	5,000.00	-
Vulnerable Readers Conference	6,887.20	8,500.00	-
First Aid	4,358.64	4,500.00	-
Reading Bags	4,069.97	4,300.00	-
Photocopier and Tack Board	1,410.88	1,200.00	18,140.00
Yearbook	-	500.00	136.90
School Council Expenses	756.98	1,250.00	-
ASCA AGM	-	2,000.00	741.50
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	53,443.68	83,920.00	88,699.90
NET INCOME	12,207.43	(33,920.00)	16,429.27
Opening Book Balance	33,422.76	33,422.76	16,993.49
Net Income	12,207.43	(33,920.00)	16,429.27
Closing Book Balance	45,630.19	(497.24)	33,422.76

**Melanie Spagrud makes the motion to file the May 2016 budget. Seconded by Sally Lockhart*

4. Teachers' Report Trish Cull

- The last 2 character focuses for the year were empathy in May and cooperation in June. Slowing down to think about others and consider a walk

in their shoes as well as the value of working together as a team are great reminders for all of us and fit nicely with the performance themes at MusicFest.

- Music Fest was a huge success as always. Thank you to everyone for coming out to the Jubilee to celebrate art and music. What a fantastic opportunity for our kids to perform in a world-class venue for their friends and family.
- The last of the groups are swimming this week and next.
- This is field trip season. Although we thank school council through the year for supporting these exciting opportunities to experience curriculum in real life context, please know that at this time of year we are especially thankful. When we reflect on the year and consider all that school council and Friends of Elbow Valley have made happen for our students, we are especially grateful. The Kindergarten classes will be going to the Science Center. The grade ones are heading to Harmony to learn about building a community and to Bow Valley Provincial Park to culminate their science unit on birds and nature. The grade two classes have several in school field trips planned this month. These activities enhance a variety of curriculum connections related to science. The grade threes are going to the zoo and the grade four students have lots to look forward to. The annual talent show is set for June 17. Students are busy practicing for auditions for this popular showcase. The friendly helpers are rewarded for their leadership efforts with a trip to the wave pool. They will also go to Calaway Park for a well-deserved day of fun and are preparing for the much anticipated tug-of-war where they will attempt to take on Mrs. Barrington's team for her final tug-of-war.
- The May 20th Professional Learning day was a busy one. There are several exciting initiatives are taking shape and moving forward. We spent some time working on the transformation of our Library to a Learning Commons. This included some hands on tinkering with Lego as we consider the possibilities of a MakerSpace. The Kindergarten teachers shared their student blogs, which we hope to build on each year creating fabulous digital portfolios to document student learning throughout their elementary years and we continued our work on literacy, reflecting on student progress through classroom and Learning Support interventions. This work is never done as we constantly look to improve our practice based on our own experiences and current research with the support of the Rocky View Literacy and Numeracy initiative.

5. Volunteer Coordinators Sally Lockhart
Niki Ferby

- Volunteer orientation for next year will be Sept the 14th, 2016
- Kindergarten orientation is June 27th we need 4 volunteers in the am and pm
- Thank you to all the volunteers who help support our events

6. Special Lunch Coordinator Tannis Bo
Alex Martin

- Pizza lunch for next year currently we are being charged an extra dollar for gluten free crusts. Next year we would like to have the student to cover that cost by raising the prices to \$6 per slice and \$4 for the second slice

** Tannis Bo makes a motion to increase the gluten free crusts by \$1. Seconded by Frankie-Lou*

Hot Dog Lunch Friday June 24th

Kristen Hunter

- 600 hot dogs
- Calgary Italian Bakery will provide the buns
- Sally will help send an email out to class coordinators requesting condiments for each classroom. Will also need volunteers for cooking and distributing the hot dogs on that day.
- Popsicles will also be given out
- Kindergartens will not be participating due to their graduation

7. Library Coordinator Monica Webster

- I will be sending out an email to all the previous library volunteers in the coming weeks. I will be looking for people to start up the year in the library until I can get all the contact information from the forms that go home with the kids on the first few days. Thanks for a great year in the library!

8. Yearbook Committee Brenda Renowden

- All is going on schedule. Just wrapping up, completing last phases of yearbook. Yearbooks distributed in September.

9. French Immersion/CPF Lori Champagne

- Last two events is CPF Wine and Cheese on June 7th at 495 Rodeo Ridge Everyone is welcome. They are looking for more members as many are moving on to the Middle School
CPF will be at the kindergarten orientation to recruit new members

10. Long-Term Planning Committee Frankie-Lou Nelligan

- Currently waiting for the \$5000 from the Lions Club, which we anticipate, will arrive this summer. This money has been earmarked for the Learning Commons. We will be spending approximately \$2500 on various Legos for the Learning Commons with the objective to support literacy and building school. \$1500 on Magformers for the Learning Commons. Some money will be allocated for storage of the new equipment. Hoping this will be set up by the end of next September.
- Indoor garden are flourishing. They are currently in two of the grade three classrooms.

11. Vice Chair Sander Steer/

Cindy Peralá-Ralph

- No report however, transitioning is happening from Cindy to Amanda

11. FEEVESS

- Nothing to report

F. School Trustee Report

Helen Clease

- Helen participated in the interview process for the new principals hired for the Springbank schools and is very pleased with the results

G. Other Business

2. Review of Bylaws

- Karin Hunter reviewed the proposed changes to the EEVE Bylaw and Policies booklet.

**Sally Lockhart makes the motion to approve the bylaws seconded by Melanie Spagrud.*

Meeting Adjourned

Next Meeting Date:

September 7th 2016, 7:00PM

