



**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL OF SCHOOL COUNCILS MEETING
HELD AT THE CENTRE FOR EDUCATION IN STONY PLAIN,
ALBERTA ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6, 2016**

ATTENDANCE:

School Council Reps

Greystone Centennial Middle School
École Broxton Park School
Seba Beach School
Parkland Village School
Millgrove School
Blueberry School
Brookwood School
Graminia School
Memorial Composite High School
Ecole Meridian Heights
Woodhaven School

Board of Trustees

Richard Gilchrist, Trustee

Administration

Scott Johnston, Associate Superintendent

Presentation

Travis McNaughton, Principal

Recording Secretary

Jenny Chen

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair, Rhonda Schumm, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

Participants introduced themselves.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Shelley Grimololby that the Agenda of the April 6, 2016 meeting be approved as presented.

Seconded by Trisha Wolfater.

CARRIED

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Lisa Warner that the Minutes of the March 16, 2016 meeting be approved as amended. Seconded by Shelley Grimololby.

CARRIED

5. Micro Society _ Travis McNaughton

Travis McNaughton, Principal of Parkland Village School, shared a presentation regarding the Micro Society project at Parkland Village School. Micro Society mirrors Canadian society and is comprised of young students, playing various roles. It is designed to engage young students in mock society, so that they learn more about elements and operations of the real society (government and citizenship affirmation, constitution, job fair and interviews, currency, media, police, business, bank, university, etc.) and learn more about their own strengths in the process.

Travis answered questions regarding timeline and expansion of the project and support received. Online resource of the project was shared.

6. Board Report – Trustee Gilchrist

- The Board of Trustees approved the three year capital plan (2017-2020) at the Regular Meeting of April 5, 2016. Priority of Year One is the new K-9 replacement school for Stony Plain Central. Priority of Year Two is modernization of Woodhaven School and Spruce Grove Composite High School. Priority of Year Three is a new high school in the Parkland School Division.

- The Board of Trustees approved transportation fees for 2016-17 and the name change of Transportation Surcharge to Transportation Rider Fee. The proposed increase to transportation fees is the result of the need to manage funding gap. Transportation Rider Fee, formerly Transportation Surcharge, increases \$0.50 per month. The increase in transportation fees for urban ineligible student riders is 14%. Cross attendance fees increase 23% for individual student riders. Fee for private school student riders will increase to actual operational cost which is \$4.35 per day.
- An ad hoc committee will be established to review all school fees and bring forward a recommendation to the Board. It is a requirement under the Education Act that school boards consult school councils if there will be significant changes in school fees.

7. Alberta School Councils' Association (ASCA)

- **ASCA Panel Discussion** – Rhonda and Dorcas will be engaged in ASCA Panel discussion to help inform school councils' presentation at the AGM.
- **AGM Update:** There was discussion around registration, proxy form arrangements and proposed resolutions. School council representatives are encouraged to contact Rhonda regarding their participation in the AGM.

8. Grade 12 Diploma Examination Results _ Divisional Education Planning

Mr. Johnston provided information on January Grade 12 Diploma Examination results. Achievement surpassed last year's results at the jurisdictional level in all subjects at the acceptable standard. A discussion on Provincial Achievement Tests and Diploma Exams was held. The January Diploma Exams are only a snapshot of the full year.

9. Announcements

- **Alberta School Councils Association Wednesday Webinars**

April 13: Masterful Minutes

April 27: How Can I Support My Child's Development and Use of Competencies?

May 11: School Council Purpose

May 18: Fundraising Association Partnership Purpose

May 25: Chair Basics

June 1: Meeting Management

June 8: Masterful Minutes

- **April 8-9, 2016: Inclusion Alberta Family Conference**

10. Future Agenda Items

None was brought up.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Meeting Schedule:

- Wednesday, May 4, 2016