



**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL OF SCHOOL COUNCILS MEETING
HELD AT DUFFIELD SCHOOL IN DUFFIELD, ALBERTA ON
WEDNESDAY, May 3, 2017**

ATTENDANCE:

School Council Reps

Greystone Centennial
Spruce Grove Composite High School
Millgrove School
Prescott Learning Centre
Duffield School
Tomahawk School
Memorial Composite High School
Graminia School
Blueberry School
Muir Lake School

Board of Trustees

Dorcas Kilduff, Trustee
Administration
Scott Johnston, Associate Superintendent
Bryn Spence, Principal
Brian Sydora, Principal
Recording Secretary
Jenny Chen

1. CALL TO ORDER

Acting Chair, Shelley Grimoldby, called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

2. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Christy Sherwood that the Agenda of the May 3, 2017 meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Rich Haggarty that the Minutes of March 22, 2017 meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED

5. Board Report

- Highlights of the May 2, 2017 Regular Board Meeting were shared. A new fees and allowances schedule was passed in accordance with Bill 1. Transportation costs and fees were discussed.
- Information slips on a Literacy and Learning Day in Edmonton were shared, and school council representatives were encouraged to participate.
- Information sheets of liability insurance for school councils, societies and parent groups were circulated.
- A fashion for philanthropy rubber band with tags by CitizenRad was introduced. Every CitizenRad product purchased sends funds to support causes affecting youth across North America.
- There was discussion around the importance of parents' participation and input at the Education Planning Day and through ThoughtExchange and the positive impact of the Student Advisory Committee Meetings.

6. Community Compass

Felicia Ochs presented on the Community Compass project and shared resources available on its website. A calendar of community events is available on the website where community stakeholders can submit events and if approved, the events will become public resources online. A volunteer resource webpage will be designed, and events where volunteers are required can be posted.

Information of the Try-Me Try-Athlon multi-sport competition was brought forward for input. The Try-Athlon was held for promoting physical literacy and active lifestyles.

7. Discussion Items

7.1 Discipline and Violence Threat Risk Assessment (VTRA)

Bryn Spence, Principal of High Park School, presented on VTRA. A number of types of violence threats can activate the VTRA protocol. Partners of VTRA, including RCMP, Education, Children & Family Services and Children & Adolescent Mental Health, are brought together once the protocol is activated. The VTRA process includes 3 stages. VTRA statistics by grade level were shared. Discussion ensued.

7.2 Alberta School Councils' Association Conference (April 28-30, 2017) – Report

Shelley Grimoldby spoke to the school councils' participation at the ASCA conference and shared highlights from the conference. All motions were carried with some amendments. School councils are encouraged to participate in the 2018 ASCA conference.

7.3 Tentative Date for First Meeting Fall 2017

The first meeting is tentatively set on Wednesday, October 18, 2017 at Centre for Education.

8 Future Agenda Items

- Board Report
- Meeting Dates for 2017-18

9 ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Christy Sherwood that meeting adjourn at 9:18 p.m.

CARRIED

Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 18, 2017