

Meeting Minutes

Davidson Creek Elementary School Council

June 13, 2023 6:30 PM

360 Davenport Dr. Sherwood Park, AB

Board Members

Lynn Walker, Chair; Karli Butler, Vice Chair; Breanne Sweeney, Secretary

DCE Council Minutes

Chair welcomed attendees and gave a Treaty 6 Land acknowledgement

Attendance

Executive Committee: Lynn Walker, Breanne Sweeney. Karli Butler arrived as a late addition.

Wellness Committee: Candice Abraham

DCE Staff: Helene Hewitt, Kyla Harding, Dina Douzman, Christa Gawron

Public Trustee: Trina Boymook

Parent Representatives: 5 Parents attended the meeting in person

Approval of Agenda and Minutes

- Robyn moved to approve the last meetings minutes, seconded by Candice

Trina Boymook, Public Trustee

- Board approved a \$208M budget with minimal use of reserves. The Board will use reserves for to extend the Career Pathway work for an additional year and to cover our commitment for year 2 of the Student Mental Health Strategic Plan. It is a tight budget with \$6.5M of additional funding that are targeted grants with the remaining \$2.2 addressing inflationary pressures.

- The Board will be held information nights on May 31 and June 6 to share the designs for the Sherwood Heights/Ecole Campbelltown replacement school. The designs have been posted to our website.
- At the end of this week all families in Sherwood Park will be receiving an email to complete a survey. Two options have been developed based on feedback received through the French Immersion engagement sessions. Both options will have impact on other programs in Sherwood Park, as well as impact on Jr/Sr boundaries for the regular program. Survey opens June 16 and closes July 13.
- Thursday the Board will be making a decision that will increase Heritage Hills French Immersion boundaries to include the two subdivisions in Cambrian Crossing and to designated French Immersion boundaries to match Heritage Hills English boundaries. Over the summer there will be some grounds maintenance along with regular standard maintenance and inspections.

Candice Abraham, Wellness Committee

- Is meeting with past committee June 14
- Focus will include nutrition, movement and mental health, but it was then opened the floor about what would the group like to see.
 - o Suggestions include bringing back school yard clean up. If held during pitch in week supplies can be obtained through the county.
 - o Walk or wheel Wednesday was held on the first Wednesday of the month and was a popular event with the kids when statistics were reported on announcements.
 - o Family Services through the county offers a free summer camp for kids to learn about regulation. This is separate from the AHS run Caregiver series.

Lynn Walker, Chair

- Communication:
 - o Social media platform update:
 - Facebook DCE
 - November 4, 2022 - 516 member
 - November 14, 2022 – 519 members
 - January 16, 2023 – 527 members
 - February 7, 2023 – 526 members
 - May 16, 2023 – 553 members (increase of 27)
 - June 12, 2023 – 549 members
 - Twitter handle @DavidsonCreek
 - November 14, 2022- 125 followers
 - January 16, 2023 – 223 followers

- February 7, 2023 – 221 followers
 - May 16, 2023 – 220 followers
 - June 12, 2023 – 221 followers
 - Facebook DCE Fundraising Society
 - January 26, 2023 – 304 members
 - February 7, 2023 – 304 members
 - May 16, 2023 – 305 members
 - June 12, 2023 – 308 members
- COSC Update (Council of School Councils). There are no new updates as their last meeting was held on May 3, 2023. Follow up from the last meeting are as follow:
 - School Council Annual Reports are due on June 27, 2023. In accordance with Alberta Education, councils must complete and provide an annual report to the school summarizing their activities and detailing the receipt, handling and use of any money in the previous school year.
- Update coming dates:
 - June 21 National Indigenous Peoples Day
 - June 27 Last Day of Classes
- We have continued our membership with ASCA for the 2023/2024 school year.

Helene Hewitt, Principal

- EIPS Parent Engagement Survey Results
 - Survey slide show – contact Helene Hewitt if you would like to see this slide show
 - Results are up overall – we are happy that we are moving in the right direction as a community
- School Education Plan
 - We read the feedback from parents and staff
 - SEP Feedback Slide Show – contact Helene Hewitt if you would like to see this slide show
- Curriculum Update
 - Several math units for Grades 4-6 are now uploaded on the Sharepoint site
 - Teachers developed science kits for Kindergarten to Grade 3 students with hands on activities ready for the Fall
 - ELAL resources for Grade 4-6 are almost ready including oral traditions and land literacy. Teachers have already attended some professional learning in grade level cohorts to learn about morphology, vocabulary and new genres
 - Assessment plans prepared for first two math units for Grades 4-6 and demplates will be available for teachers to continue with the same style of planning

- Staffing Update
 - We have determined all of our classes to date
 - Kindergarten: Laurent/Santerre & Brophy/Battiston
 - Grade1: Breen/Clark/Siminick & Kennedy/Marshall
 - Grade 2: Drechsel/Gillis/Oslanski/Snaterse/Walker(Hanasyk) & Bray/Gabert/Hirschfeld/Robertson/Stovius
 - Grade 3: Lobe/Nicks-Tambasco/Parker/Versteegt & Veltri
 - Grade 4: Hansen/Kellough/Mikitka/Morrison & Nelson
 - Grade 5: Burke/Crockett/Miller
 - Grade 5/6: Coates
 - Grade 6: Brouwer/Temporary teacher & Sutherlandingham
 - Music: Allen & Falcon
 - Library Tech: Eng
 - Business Manager: Gawron
 - Registrar: Gibson
 - Counsellor: Bashaw/Mitchell
 - Assistant Principal: Robertson
 - Principal: Hewitt
 - Saying farewell to several of our temporary staff as well as our counsellor and assistant principal.
- Celebrations
 - Great Gr 3. assembly & the Gr 6. Math Museum
 - Track & Field was fun! Had a visit from Hunter the Oilers' mascot

Adjourned at 7:31 PM