



F.R. Haythorne School Council Meeting

DRAFT MINUTES

Wednesday, May 17^h, 2017 @ 6:15 pm

Members Present:

Lonnie	Erin	Sherri	Tammy
Cindy	Cathy	Cole	Lance
Jen	Christine	Ted	Dane
Cecile	Cyndy	Brooke	Barb
Laura	Brian	Dorothy	
Amanda	Adam	Mary	
Debbie	Patty	Stuart	

1. **Call to Order:** Laura called meeting to order at 6.12pm and introductions were done.

2. **Special Presentation:** EPS Const.Jerebie presented information on fentanyl and its effects, it was very informative and unfortunately something we all need to be aware of. Cst. Lisson spoke on vaping and sexting.

3. **Approval of Aprils agenda minutes:** Motioned by Cecile.... Everyone approved.

4. **School Highlights – Lonnie Hicks**

- Wake a thon was a huge success, \$6700.00 raised to this point and still counting.
- Track meet May 8th went great
- Grade 9 farewell June 2nd
- Grade 9" s first PAT has been written

5. Principals Report- Lonnie Hicks

- Explained the email re back slapping
- Choke challenge a new thing.... syna voice to go out to parents
- 1 position advertised for a balanced budget

6. COSC review

OVERVIEW:

Key topics included:

- Update: *AP 164, Nutrition*
- ASCA Conference Overview
- [Budget Presentation for 2017-18](#)
- [Bill 1: An Act to Reduce School Fees](#)

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE 164, NUTRITION

[AP 164, Nutrition](#) is now updated. Over the last year, Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) has collected input from its schools, students, families and stakeholders. The updated AP incorporates the feedback gathered.

ASCA 2017 AGM ISSUE RESOLUTIONS

The [outcome of the resolutions](#) debated at this year's Alberta School Councils' Association AGM are now available online.

HEALTHY HOT LUNCH INFORMATION EVENT

Hot Lunch co-ordinators are invited to attend an upcoming information session entitled, "Healthy Hot Lunch Info Event," hosted by Alberta Health Services. Attendees will learn about *AP 164*, gain tips on how to include healthier hot lunch options and be introduced to local businesses that can prepare healthy hot lunches. The session takes place at the Trinity Baptist Church in Sherwood Park on May 31, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. [Learn more](#)

PURPOSE OF SCHOOL COUNCILS

For those of you interested, ASCA has a free webinar posted on its website regarding the purpose of school councils. The webinar walks participants through what school councils do, how to frame a personal issue from a school council perspective and how to broach sensitive topics. [Purpose of School Council Webinar](#)

IMPORTANT DATES

May 18-19	Schools closure day
May 22	Victoria Day: Schools are closed
May 24	Board Meeting
May 29	Board Meeting
June 15	Board Meeting
June 21	National Aboriginal Day
June 29	Last day of school

Additional information from the May 3, 2017 meeting is available at www.eips.ca. The next meeting takes place on Oct. 4, 2017.

7. School Highlights – Barb McNeill

EVENTS/MEETINGS/WORKSHOPS:

May 2nd – Long Service and Retirement Event

Hosted by EIPS and the Board of Trustees, the event was well attended and appreciation shown to our long service and retiree recipients

May 3rd – COSC Meeting – EIPS Boardroom

Brief synopsis of the 2017/2018 proposed division budget was presented along with a review and discussion related to the AP 164 Nutrition and how it relates to promoting healthier foods within our schools.

May 25th – EIPS Board Meeting - Draft Budget Presentation

May 29th – EIPS Board Meeting (commencing at 3:30 pm)

- approval of the Division 2017-2018 budget to be determined
- Davidson Creek boundary options to be approved
- Naming of new school in Davidson Creek to be approved
- all Board meetings are open to the Public

June 7th – Ground Breaking Ceremony – Davidson Creek New School

June 12th: - Fultonvale Elementary Junior High – Official Opening of newly modernized facility.

June 15th – EIPS Board Meeting

June 29th – Last day of school



ALBERTA EDUCATION INFORMATION ITEMS AND DIRECTIVES:
items can be accessed on the Alberta Education website for review of complete documents and directives.

Alberta Education – New Provincial Curriculum Development – Provincial Survey

May 15th, as part of our continued focus on new provincial curriculum development, today I launched the second provincial curriculum survey as part of our strategy to gather feedback from Albertans. The survey can be accessed at curriculumsurvey.alberta.ca and will be available until June 2, 2017.

The survey provides an opportunity for Albertans to provide feedback, in English and in French, on the draft subject introductions and draft scope and sequences to be included in future Kindergarten to Grade 12 provincial curriculum.

Alberta Education is also conducting face-to-face sessions with the Alberta Regional Professional Development Consortia to support Albertans in responding to the survey. These sessions will run until the closing of the survey on June 2, 2017.

Boards are encouraged to share information about the survey and our face-to-face sessions with teachers, parents/guardians, students and community members.

More information on curriculum development and support materials for engagement can be accessed on the [Alberta Education website](#). By working together on future curriculum, we can prepare Albertans for success.

Assurance in the K-12 Education System - Regional Sessions for Public, Separate and Francophone School Boards

Part A:

Several years ago, the Ministry of Education began work to update the accountability framework in anticipation of changes to strategic direction and in response to lessons

learned from implementing the existing framework. This work has resulted in development of a draft assurance model.

This draft model was intended to enhance the accountability framework for school authorities to provide increased flexibility and a strong focus on stakeholder engagement to inform planning, while also ensuring alignment with system direction and transparency in reporting. The model is currently being piloted in six jurisdictions, and the experiences of and input from those jurisdictions will help inform further development and implementation of the model.

Part B:

On May 5, 2017, Minister Eggen and Deputy Minister Clarke announced a review of assurance in the K-12 education system. As a part of that review, Alberta Education is inviting representatives from Public, Separate and Francophone school boards to attend an all-day session to provide input on the future direction of assurance and accountability in the K-12 education system.

Each participating school board is encouraged to attend one session in teams (up to 4 participants) consisting of trustees and central administration.

Overview of Session:

Participants will have an opportunity to engage in discussion focused on what evidence needs to be provided in order for Albertans to trust and have confidence in Alberta's K-12 education system.

New funding for Alberta's Dual Credit program.

Alberta Education will be committing \$16.4 million over the next four years to help expand the program by up to 40 new start-up programs annually and to increase enrolment in dual credit opportunities across the province.

The new funding model offers predictable, sustainable funding that will help school authorities provide learning opportunities that reflect the needs and interests of their students, school and community.

School authorities may offer Dual Credit opportunities through a variety of environments, such as distributed learning, blended learning and e-learning.

Distribution of funding over the next four years:

- 2017/18 - \$1.1 million
- 2018/19 - \$4.0 million

- 2019/20 - \$5.0 million

2020/21 - \$6.3 million

An application process for start-up funding is anticipated to be available during the 2017/18 school year. Dual Credit implementation resources will be available in English and French in fall 2017. Information regarding dual credit will also be shared through the [Alberta Education website](#) and through updates to Alberta Education guidelines documents.

Alberta Education will continue to work with education stakeholders to develop a long-term framework that further outlines funding and streamlines governance under Alberta Education.

In order to ensure a system-wide collaborative approach, plans are currently being developed to engage more broadly with stakeholders in a review of assurance in the Kindergarten to Grade 12 education system. This work will include establishment of a provincial advisory committee and working group, as well as discussions with stakeholder organizations, school board trustees and administration. The insights emerging from the assurance model pilot will also be considered as part of this process.

More information regarding these engagement opportunities will be shared in the coming weeks. I look forward to discussions with you regarding the future direction of assurance in Alberta's education system.

Bill 8, An Act to Strengthen Municipal Government

On April 10, 2017, Bill 8, An Act to Strengthen Municipal Government, was introduced by the Honourable Shaye Anderson, Minister of Municipal Affairs, to amend the *Municipal Government Act* (MGA). **There are four proposed changes to the MGA that are relevant to Education in Alberta:**

- mandatory joint use agreements for school boards and municipalities;
- an off-site levy exemption for public school building projects;
- a new planning tool to assemble land and fund servicing for large school sites; and
- mandatory municipal notification to school boards about annexations and amalgamations.

The intent of these proposed amendments to the MGA is to enhance collaboration between municipalities and other local authorities, including school boards, to better enhance services and facilities within our communities.

Bill 1: An Act to Reduce School Fees (Message from Minister Eggen)

The Bill has been passed in the legislature and has received royal assent. Upon proclamation, the Bill will be in effect for the beginning of the 2017/2018 school year.

Minister Eggen thanked all stakeholders for their active participation and collaboration over the past month. Ministerial and department staff have had excellent and thoughtful discussions and contributions from your organizations to help achieve the spirit and intent of Bill 1 – to reduce the burden of fees on parents accessing public education.

Much of your feedback has suggested that government consider a phased approach to the implementation of a new regulation in the coming 2017/2018 school year, and to allow school boards as much time as possible for implementation. To that end, Minister Eggen by ministerial order, an extension to the deadline for school boards to submit their 2017/2018 school year budgets to Education. The new deadline is June 30, 2017. This extension is for the 2017/2018 budget submissions only. Government expects the new School Fees Regulation to be in place in early June and this extension will allow boards to submit their 2017/2018 budgets with full consideration of the new regulation. The June 30, 2017 deadline will also align with the requirement for boards to submit, for my review and approval, their updated school fee policy and fee schedule envisioned in Bill 1.

The development of this subsequent version of the regulation will include a more thorough consultation with impacted stakeholders and will align with the government's direction of further reducing or eliminating certain fee types.

Finally, with respect to fees for the 2017/2018 school year, The Minister has noted that, during the July 2017 review of school fee policy and schedule, no significant school or transportation fee increases will be proposed for the next school year. Government has provided \$54 million in support of Bill 1 and, recognizes that boards have made previous decisions regarding fees and service levels, and do not expect that there should be significant fee increases in 2017/2018.

8. KEYS Highlights – Erin Dawson

- **Last year for KEYS at Haythorne**
- **High School Jitters coming up Aug 14th and 16th**
- **Sweet success Aug 2nd and 9th**

Next meeting