

Ecole Notre Dame Elementary
Parent Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

January 15, 2025

Minutes by Brittani McDonald

Attendees: Kelsey Hynes, Jill Charrois, Monica Langmaid, Lorne Pedersen, Michelle Baril, Stephanie Whitson, Sarah Petryshyn, Brittani McDonald

1.0 Call to Order

- Meeting called to order at 6:02pm

2.0 Opening Prayer and Land Acknowledgment

- Led by Kelsey Hynes

3.0 Approval of Previous Minutes

- Approval of November 2024 minutes by Sarah Petryshyn, seconded by Stephanie Whitson

4.0 Approval of Agenda

- No Trustee Report or Teacher Report today – remove from agenda
- Motion to approve agenda – approved by Monica Langmaid, seconded by Sarah Petryshyn

5.0 Reports

5.1 Administrator's Report – Michelle Baril

- Alberta Education Assurance Division Survey – results are very positive and encouraging
- Christmas Concerts were a great success
- Registration has opened for new students as well as for Rec Academy students. So far, there are 15 new students registered in kindergarten, one new student registered in grade 5, and 20 students registered in Rec Academy.
- Term 2 options will begin February 3rd. There is a new option: Cheer (as suggested in survey).
- Choir will be singing for Children's Mass on January 26th
- Decodable books have been ordered
- Discuss school fees at next meeting
- Important Dates:
 - Jan. 26 – Children's Mass (10am)
 - Jan. 30 – PD Day – no school

- Feb. 6 + 7 – Teachers' Convention – no school
- Feb. 12 – Next PAC + PFA meetings

5.2 Chair Report – Kelsey Hynes

- Attended the GSACRD Council of Councils on Dec. 4th
- Received \$1,000.00 in grant funding for decodable books
- ASCA Grant update:
 - St. Kateri and Georges H. Primeau councils are both interested in joining for mental health cause.
 - Still looking for someone to speak about mental health topic. One potential option is a retired RCMP officer who educates on raising resilience. He is available in March and May. We have reached out for key points and cost – waiting to hear back and will readdress in February.
- Grant application for xylophones submitted on Dec. 15th – for approximately \$1,000.00

6.0 PAC Bylaws

- Amended bylaws have been submitted.

7.0 New Business

- Agendas have been renewed for next year.
- Some feedback on School Start supplies is that they seemed a bit expensive. Lorne Pedersen will contact rep to enquire about the amount of use by parents in the past. He will also speak with the Staples rep regarding supplies. May have teachers revamp supply list to remove unnecessary items.

8.0 Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 6:29pm.

9.0 Next Meeting

- February 12, 2025 at 6:00pm.