

Ecole Notre Dame Elementary
Parent Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

November 20, 2024

Minutes by Brittani McDonald

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

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 October 2024 minutes by Sarah Petryshyn, seconded by Monica Langmaid

4.0 Approval of Agenda

- Additions: none
- Motion to approve agenda – approved by Monica Langmaid, seconded by Brittani McDonald

5.0 Reports

5.1 Trustee Report – Mrs. Noreen Radford

- Noreen not in attendance today – will send her report following trustee meeting next week

5.2 Administrator's Report – Mrs. Michelle Baril

- Educational Assistant Adrianna Tailleux replaced Joanne Pelletier
- Additional support – Kaylee Hewitt in French Immersion, Alison Macadam in classrooms 2/3B and 3M
- New GSACRD Voice Mental Health Therapist – Madilyn Orchard
- Alberta Education Assurance surveys:
 - Division survey will be coming out in a few weeks.
 - Alberta Ed. Survey comes out in February.
 - Encourage parents to complete the surveys.
- Calendar draft reviewed and feedback given.
- Leadership Group (lunch monitors, playground pals, student council) – starting soon

- Important Dates:
 - Nov. 29 – PD Day
 - Dec. 17 – English Christmas Concert*
 - Dec. 18 – French Christmas Concert*
 - Dec. 23-Jan. 3 – Christmas Break
 - Jan. 6 – registration for 2025-2026 school year starts
 - Jan. 8 – next school council meeting (no meeting in December)
- *Letter regarding Christmas concerts will go home this week.

5.3 Teacher Report – Mrs. Angelle Peacock

- Focusing on French oral competency and the French alphabet within French immersion classes
 - Students' names are entered into a prize draw in the office when they are spotted speaking French as well as there being individual classroom rewards
 - Encouraging younger grades with fun activities, songs, and classroom rewards

5.4 Chair Report – Kelsey Hynes

- Update on last month's Trustee Determination Engagement:
 - St. Albert ward now has five trustees and the Morinville and Legal wards have been combined and will be represented by two trustees.
- ASCA Grant
 - Results from the poll posted on Facebook showed that most respondents are interested in grant funding going toward children's mental health. There is the possibility that St. Kateri and Georges H. Primeau may also be interested in putting funding toward this topic, and if so, we could potentially pool finances.
 - Motion to approve reaching out to St. Kateri and Georges H. Primeau councils – approved by Jill Charrois, seconded by Marissa Wegren
- School wish list
 - Some items on the wish list include shovels for recess and community services as well as French and English decodable readers.
 - Will look into cost of decodables as well as available grants or fundraising options.
 - Motion to approve seeking out grant funding for wish list items – approved by Jill Charrois, seconded by Sarah Petryshyn
 - Motion to approve purchase of items selected from school wish list – approved by Marissa Wegren, seconded by Monica Langmaid

6.0 PAC Bylaws

- Bylaws reviewed and amendments made.
- Motion to approve updated bylaws – approved by Jill Charrois, seconded by Sarah Petryshyn

7.0 New Business

- None

8.0 Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 7:25pm.

9.0 Next Meeting

- January 8, 2025 at 6:00pm.