

Ecole Agnes Davidson School Council Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, November 9, 2021

1. Welcome/Gratitude
  - i) Attendance: Kelly Sparks, Brie Schindel, Terra Leggat, Tiff Mills, Cheryl Gilmore, Megan Cummins, Alison Alma-North, Patti Bryant, Tyler Demers, Ryan Wiggers, Carrie Boschman, Pam Decicco, Danielle Fletcher
2. Approval of Agenda
  - i) Approved by Brie Schindel, seconded by Tiff Mills
3. Approval of October 19, 2021 Minutes
  - i) Approved by Tiff Mills, seconded by Pam Decicco
4. Reports
  - i) Principal's Report (Terra)
    - a) Welcome to Cheryl Gilmore, superintendent and Tyler Demers, board representative
    - b) Terra shared Assurance Plan Highlights which looked at goals and focus for the school for the next couple of years. Focus is on student growth and achievement (achievement and innovation), learning supports (inclusion) and teaching and leading (achievement and innovation). School specific goals: Building a milieu francais. Results survey is now done separately from this plan and will be shared next month.
    - c) Three more incentives that were earned by Dragon Days will be scheduled in November.
    - d) Bussing continues to be a challenge because of the limited number of bus drivers. Division is supporting school by providing supervisors for students waiting for busses, so teachers are not burdened with this task.
    - e) Tyler Demers reported Southland will have 5 new drivers starting soon and Southland will also offer \$3000 signing bonuses for recruited bus drivers.
    - f) Boost program – The division is in the process of hiring teachers who will support multiple schools for students in grade 2-3 with lagging skills due to Covid. The testing done was a provincial requirement for the division to apply for funding. Unsure how much support will be designated to Agnes Davidson. There will be 16 week cycles for children requiring support to be pulled out for extra literacy and numeracy support. More information to come. In January, grade 1 students will do testing similar to grade 2-3's and additional funding will likely be made available to support.
  - ii) Vice-Principal's Report (Megan)
    - a) Bussing – Bus drivers are giving extra care to students arriving late, to ensure they are unloaded safely.

- b) Madame Crombez, Learning Commons Librarian, shared this link for parents to see what is going on in the Learning Commons  
<https://ad.lethsd.ab.ca/programs/learning-commons>
  - c) Lockdown practice on November 23rd facilitated by School Liaison Officer. Fire drill held today.
  - d) School is collaborating with University of Lethbridge and Lethbridge Public Library for storytellers program for virtual story telling. Oral story telling is also being accommodated in the Learning Commons.
  - e) Indigenous morning announcements facilitated by Melanie Morrow, Indigenous Education Teacher
  - f) Gaga ball Pit has arrived and will be installed
- iii) Staff Rep Report (Patti)
- a) Remembrance Day ceremony via teams tomorrow, November 10<sup>th</sup>.
  - b) Picture Retakes will also happen tomorrow, but can be booked by appointment at Lifetouch studios
  - c) November 15<sup>th</sup> – Rock your Mocs – wear moccasins and/or turquoise ribbon
  - d) November 16<sup>th</sup> Kindergarten Parent-teacher interviews
  - e) November 18<sup>th</sup> – 1<sup>st</sup> Lunch on the Go - Edo
  - f) November 19<sup>th</sup> – sash day for Metis week. Do not send your child with a sash unless they are metis.
  - g) November 26<sup>th</sup> – digital report cards released at noon
- iv) District Council Report (Alison)
- a) Karen Rancier presented on the literacy selection process for educators. Next month will be about supporting your child at home.
  - b) ASCA education session – more information still to come.
  - c) All parents are welcome
  - d) Education sessions run from 6:00 – 6:30 prior to each District Council meeting and are selected based on interest from parents.  
<https://ad.lethsd.ab.ca/parents/school-council>
  - e) Upcoming topics: Digital citizenship, sleep and brain development
- v) Alberta School Council Association (ASCA) Report (Donna)
- a) No report
- vi) Trustee Report
- a) New board has been installed, Allison Purcell is Chair and Christine Light is Vice Chair. The website now lists which trustees are responsible for which schools.
- vii) Superintendent's report
- a) New funding available (\$500) to enhance parent participation in school council.

- 5. Old Business
- 6. New Business

Next Meeting: Tuesday, December 14, 2021 at 7pm  
Adjournment Time: 7:57