



Bev Facey Community High School

School Council Meeting – Tuesday March 10, 2015 (School Office meeting room)

Attendees: 7 families represented – Sandy Stor (Chair), Susan Ballash (Vice Chair), Z'Anne Harvey-Jansen (Secretary), Louise Laforet, Lori Martin, Michelle Dugan (Members at Large), Cara Brandse;

3 school reps – Principal Bill Schlatt, Asst Principal Amit Mali, Teacher Gerald Chung;

0 Student Voice reps

Regrets: Barb McNeill (Elk Island Public School Trustee)

Call to Order: 7:02 pm

Additions to agenda: New Business 4: Informing of Fees

February 10, 2015 Minutes: Approved (Motion by Michelle Dugan Seconded by Susan Ballash CARRIED)

Ongoing Business for Next Meetings:

1. Review of Action Items (every meeting): No Actions outstanding at this time
2. Review and approve DRAFT Accountability Survey e-mail to be sent to Alberta Education (From Feb 2015)

BRING FORWARD

- review the criteria and advertising for the Student Recognition Award (March 2015)
- update parent info handout to send out at end of school year to new students for next year (May, 2015)

New Business:

1. **Review and approve DRAFT Accountability Survey e-mail to be sent to Alberta Education (From Feb 2015)**

Reviewed draft, and the parents in attendance accepted as drafted.

ACTION 8: Sandy Stor to send to Alberta Education.

2. **Review the criteria and advertising for the Student Recognition Award (March 2015)**

The criteria were not brought to the meeting by Administration.

ACTION 9: Bill Schlatt or Amit Mali provide the criteria for the award student council gives out to Parent Council Chair Sandy Stor.

ACTION 10: Sandy Stor distribute criteria with a request for feedback from parents on the criteria, when awards given, what is the award (money, certificate etc) and how many are awarded per year.

Ideas suggested during the discussion included maybe the Student Recognition Awards from Parent Council could be given to students during the June staff meeting with parent council representation present to ensure there is a connection between parent council and the award winners. If they continue to happen at the main awards night that is an option too. At the main Awards Night Bill Schlatt mentioned that the location will be

decorated more, all students names will be called and will walk up on stage, and based on feedback from families there will be less dignitary speeches.

3. Informing of Fees

Informal discussion about fees in sports, music, drama initiated by Z'Anne and others participated. Staff encouraged to give families as much informed consent about fees.

Reports:

1. **Chairperson Report:** Sandy Stor asked who was interested in attending the Alberta School Council Association conference. Also there is an ASCA Issue resolution that will be voted on at the conference and we need to determine who will vote on our behalf. As well there is another issue about the safety of Wifi in schools.

MOTION: Susan moved, Lori seconded that Sandy Stor attended the ASCA conference on behalf of Bev Facey School Council. (Carried)

MOTION: Lori moved, Cara seconded that Sandy Stor will vote on our behalf yes in favour of the dual credit strategy. (Carried)

MOTION: Michelle moved, Cara seconded that Sandy Stor vote to not support the Wifi issue as it stands now because it is too broad a set of recommendations. (Carried)

Sandy also asked if any parents present had any student transportation concerns to discuss. None provided by the parents present on behalf of themselves or others. The chairs of school councils of the EIPS high schools got together. We received compliments for our school's website as details are kept up to date. Even parents from some other schools have used it to find their answers to school questions. Thank you all! Sandy asked if the 2015 grad class wanted to do a Legacy project as other grad years have done.

ACTION 11: Mr Mali will talk to FLI students about the Grade 12 Legacy project idea and report back at the April meeting with a yes/no and if yes who are lead students and how will this move forward April to June 2015.

2. **Administration:** Bill Schlatt provided an update on the fitness centre test drive fundraiser. We may have earned close to the \$10,000 maximum. Ford is verifying the paperwork. It became a real school community event; great for getting to know of the parents. The gym floor has had to be redone. They are hoping to have the whole gym funded by the end of this school year.

In terms of the webpage, they are working on adding more content about CTS. Also a priority is making the Grad 2015 info more intuitively accessible on the website.

Preparations for the 2015-16 school year are underway. Students will register using Powerschool this year. In the 2015-16 school year, the grade 11's will be the largest cohort in the school. The next two cohorts in the Strathcona County population coming up are smaller. There will be a new Math Competency course being offered in conjunction with Math 10. Bill has been learning more about Google classrooms. Curtis Martin is using it as a pilot in his English classes. Assignments are submitted and marked on line. Discussion from shy students has increased as they can submit on line. 50% of the students in the pilot classroom are using their own devices.

ACTION 12: Sandy Stor to update the write up about School Council with a list of tentative dates for 2015-16 due to Jennie Camp by early April.

ACTION 13: Sandy Stor set up another Learning Clicks for April 2015 as it helps students think about their future education and career paths around the time they register for classes or prepare to graduate.

3. **Student:** No students present.
4. **Committees of School Councils:** See the Chair's report for discussion. See <https://www.eips.ca/cosc-meetings> for COSC agenda and minutes.
5. **Trustee:** The Board highlights are up for the February and March 2015 meeting. Go to <http://www.eips.ca/board-meeting-documents> . EIPS trustee for Facey (Barb) was not at tonight's meeting.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:47 pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday April 21st, 2015 (7:00 – 9:00 p.m.)

**** Lori Martin will be Secretary at this meeting.
(at Bev Facey Community High School)**