

# École Campbelltown School Council

## Minutes

February 21, 2024, 6:30 pm – 7:15 pm

In attendance: Christina Swabey, Rosie Chew, Anne Corser, Shaheen Alarakhia, Kelly Eves, Melissa Manolescu, Andrea Brown, Greg Probert, Taylor Cullum, Rachel Bruce, Don Irwin, Samantha Skelton

### **1. Call to Order 6:37 pm**

#### **a. Welcome**

#### **b. Introductions: Executive, Administration, Staff, and Parents**

#### **c. Quorum, Minutes, and Agenda**

- Quorum achieved
- Minutes and Agenda accepted as presented

### **2. Reports**

#### **a. Trustee**

- See below
- Inquiry regarding organics collection at EIPS schools - will be a budget ask again this year for EIPS to support organics collection at their schools, but Trustee Irwin will follow up for us to find out if we can organize and fund our own organics collection for Campbelltown

#### **b. Principal**

- **Mme Skelton** - looking to revamp week of inspirational math (Week of March 14); new ideas include: possibility for pledges based on minutes of math done, math games, BINGO challenge (separated for K-2, 3-4 and 5-6), math scavenger hunt, school-wide math Jeopardy game
  - Daily math homework, much like our home reading program
  - School week of math will be March 14-21
  - Volunteers to help: Shaheen, Rachel and Christina
- **Taylor** - looking to set up a makerspace in the school and will be asking for donations (ie recyclables)
  - Will ask for specific items for donations; more info to come
- **Greg**
  - Colleen Kulhavey is artist in residence this week
  - Carnaval Feb 26-29
  - Saffron 6:30 - 8:30 Feb 27
  - Feb 28 Pink Shirt Day
  - Fee Schedule update for 2024/25: as discussed previously, cultural appreciation and field trips will remain unchanged, lunch supervision increase to \$125 (\$62.50 for kindergarten), ski/snowboard trip increase to \$50 and swimming increase to \$50
  - Letter from Education Minister LaGrange - allocation of up to \$250,000 for the new

playground at the new school; additional funds will need to be fundraised, suggest to set up a committee - will be undertaken by ECPLA

**c. Committee of School Councils (COSC): next meeting Mar 6 at 6:30 pm**

- ASCA conference from April 26-28; EIPS School Board has allocated \$5000 to support conference fees for School Council participants (one per interested school while funds last)
  - Andrea Brown will attend and represent our School Council
  - Anyone else who might be interested, please email School Council

**d. Parent Liaison Association (PLA)**

- Nothing to report

**3. Old Business**

**a. School Council Engagement Grant: update**

- \$500 to promote parent engagement - grant was accepted and will sponsor:
  - Saffron Presentation on internet safety on Feb 27th, 6:30 - 8:30 pm
  - Yoga and movement sessions for parent/child pairs in April; more details to come

**b. French Movie Night: feedback**

- Overall, it went okay
  - Positive feedback shared as many enjoyed the fun opportunity to be with friends at school
  - Concerns shared over kids in the hallways, streaming difficulty, lack of interest in movie choice, French dialogue and comprehension
- Movie with a G rating is difficult: challenged by comprehension for younger kids and interest for older kids
  - Consider movies rated PG for next year as long as the movie has been previewed and content is appropriate
- Plan for next year: two separate movie nights in January with one focused on a Div 1 audience and the other on a Div 2 audience

**C. Assurance Review: website info**

- To be posted on the Campbelltown website soon

**4. New Business**

**a. Alberta Education Assurance survey reminder for Grade 4 families – deadline: March 1**

**b. Committee revisit: have we achieved our goals this year as a School Council?**

**- Literacy Committee**

- Book club is going well and the read-a-thon and used book sale were both successful events
- The mini library at the front is empty; a call out will go out in an upcoming email

**- STEAM Committee**

- Inspirational week of math coming soon!

**- Physical Literacy Committee**

- Recess bins getting refilled now that spring weather is upon us!

- Badminton team (Grade 5 & 6) will be formed once basketball is finished
- **French Culture Committee**
- Movie night
- Carnaval - parent volunteers for syrup still needed
- **Leadership Committee**
- Plant towers set up again this year
- Grade 6 helped with lunch intramurals (as referees)

Agenda addition: parent inquiry - suggestion to host a Food Bank Drive for the period of March 10 - April 10 to coincide with the period of Ramadan and align with a focus on charitable giving; School Council will support donations to the Food Bank by setting up a collection at the school - more details to come

**5. Meeting Dates (6:30 pm)**

**a. March 20, 2024**

**b. April 17, 2024**

**c. May 15, 2024**

**D. June – TBD (AGM only)**

**6. Adjourn - 8:06 pm**

## Don Irwin Report

Warm Winter Greetings to All

Firstly i want to report the French Immersion plan to:

- relocate EIPS' senior high French Immersion program, grades 10-12, to Salisbury Composite High—effective when the new Sherwood Park replacement school opens, expected in the 2026-27 school year;
  - adjust Strathcona County's senior high attendance boundaries for Lakeland Ridge to be redesignated to Bev Facey Community High—effective when the new Sherwood Park replacement school opens, expected in the 2026-27 school year; and
  - adjust the French Immersion junior high attendance boundaries for Cambrian Crossing, to be redesignated to Sherwood Heights Junior High—effective in the 2024-25 school year.
- there will be no changes to Elementary or Junior High French Immersion locations

Re-registration is now open for all students.

Budget preparation is underway for the 2024/5 budget expected by the end of February.

School fee parameters have been set on a cost recovery basis but not to exceed 5% if needed.

The Board has again approved a total of \$5000 so each School Council can attend the Alberta School Council Association and AGM for information on school Council operations.

The Leveraging School Achievement Grant has been assigned to two extra staff to assist Junior High students most in need.

Next Committee of School Councils (COSC) meeting will be held Wednesday March 6 630-830pm at the Board office. It is also offered On Line to save you traveling winter roads in the dark.

Questions / Suggestions

Please contact me by phone / text at 587 986 3900 or my email is [Don.irwin@eips.ca](mailto:Don.irwin@eips.ca).

Don Irwin

Trustee - Sherwood Park