

Minutes for the Meeting of Ecole Broxton Park School Council

March 16, 2022

Call to Order: 6:32 pm

1. Welcome, Land Acknowledgment, and Introductions

In Attendance: Nadia Geschke, Marc Dickner, Ashley Harms, Amber Ruben, Carrie Trueman, Cheri Day, Jessie Bossert, Joey-Leigh Fulton, Karen Hamm, Kim Harapchuck, Trudy Eyre, Mark Francis, Kalena Feist

2. Approval of the Agenda – moved by Carrie, second Joey
Approval of the Minutes – moved by Carrie, second Kalena

3. Board News: Anne Montgomery sends regrets - see attached for information

4. Administration's Report: see attached

5. Action/Discussion Items:

a. Deputy Superintendent Mark Francis boundary review—

- Spruce Grove is in one of the top 2 growing jurisdictions in AB. The original school footprint stops working with growth. In the east area there is active development, and they predict attendance based on houses built and projected number of children per household. In the next decade, it is estimated that there will be another 1000 children in the East end. The school division plans a decade out and has requested another school in the east end. Even if approval is granted within the next two years, it will take a few years to build. In terms of space, Prescott is at 100% capacity and Copperhaven capacity is in the 90%+ area. It is estimated that that Spruce Grove Composite High School (SGCHS) will run out of space in 4 years. No new high school was approved in this budget and the division is hoping for approval next year. Over 1 year ago, the division hired an outside consultant to look at boundaries. This is done to decrease bias. They come back with recommendations and the division may disregard some proposals immediately. Approximately 30 recommendations were made. The division is not looking to move K-9 French Immersion to Woodhaven and Brookwood.
- The division is reviewing the idea of moving FI high school to Memorial. Memorial can hold 1600 children and has the capacity to absorb students. SGCHS can hold 1400 students. They are collecting information on the different proposals. There is a larger FI population in Spruce Grove in comparison to Stony Plain (55/45 or 60/40 split approximately). There are higher retention rates with students from Broxton Park compared to Meridian. Approximately

91% of students from Broxton complete FI high school compared to 78% from Meridian. The problem with a full FI program in high school is due to economy of scale and they can only offer social studies and FLA. In FI this year, there are 58 grade 10 students, 36 grade 11 students and 45 grade 12 students. They will not consider a separate FI school for Stony Plain and Spruce Grove due to numbers.

- The proposed move of FI to Memorial is a short-term solution. Once a new high school is built in Spruce Grove, the FI students will be moved back here.
- Spruce Grove is expanding and should have a FI program here.
- A move to Memorial would still allow FI PSAA as there are students from both schools attending PSAA sports.
- If they get to the point of seriously considering FI movement to Memorial for grade 10-12 students, then they will engage parents further.

6. ASCA resolutions: See attached for ASCA resolutions

- a. P22-02: Diploma Exam Weighting -would not vote in favour as it currently reads; would vote yes if it reads "for the duration that COVID is impacting children's learning"
- b. P22-02: Policy Review for Operations and Maintenance Funding -vote "yes"
- c. P22-03: Restoration of Funding for Alberta School Councils Association -vote "yes"
- d. P22-04: Revise Advocacy Policy -vote "yes"

7. CPF

- French Family Weekend was in Jasper March 3-5
- There will be a virtual bingo in April
- Next meeting in April, please check the CPF Facebook page for details
- CPF is always looking for more voices from Broxton, please consider attending a meeting

8. FIMESPAF

- A cheque was submitted to Gramina School for the parent that helped at our casino
- Purdy's cheque was finally received
- Potential proposal for casino fund allocation
- New members needed, please consider joining as it's free and open to any parent of Broxton
- Still in need of another person for audit
- Looking into cost of new basketball hoops
- Staff will provide input for student needs

9. Next meeting: April 20 at 6:30 pm

Adjourned: 8:09 pm



**Administration Report for School Council
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- PSD Next Year Calendar has been approved [2022/2023 Calendar](#)
- Seven Teachings (character building) focus on “love” for the month of February. Theme for March is humility and the two remaining themes are: wisdom and truth
- Report Cards are accessible on Powerschool on March 18th, PTIs take place March 30, 31st.
- Francofête is currently happening and will continue until this Friday. An adjustment was made to the schedule as this time fit better with the national French festivities.
 - Pancake breakfast
 - la tire
 - Métis beadwork workshop called the Flower Beadwork People by the Heritage Center of St. Albert
 - 3 performances of CircoVoyageur circus, balancing act.
 - French Film Festival,
 - Family Social Media Challenges
 - Bonhomme masqué - mystery readers
 - Door decorating contest
- Literacy and Numeracy work Update
 - Nicole Saulnier (supporting Allison Visser) and Britney Allen are our Lead Teachers (Grades 2 and 3)
 - Rachael Smillie will be our Lead Teacher for the Grade 1 Literacy and Numeracy Initiative
 - They meet with small groups of students on a daily basis to target specific lagging skills
- Ecole Broxton Park School Survey will come out to all parents early April
 - Survey will help Administration facilitate Education planning for the next school year
- Registration information has been going out in our communications, as the deadline is this Friday, March 18th.

Edwin Parr Nominee Selected: This is an award given through the Alberta School Boards Association. Each School Division in our Zone 2/3 will nominate one first-year teacher for exceptional service. We have three candidates put forth from our schools and the committee recommended, from the three candidates submitted, Taylor Pocock from SGCHS as the nominee from our division.

Increase in Transportation Fees: 2022-2023 Fees and Allowances Schedule has been approved. There are increases to all bus fees. <https://www.psd.ca/download/383964>

Request to the Government for a new High School: Three year report Capital Plan was approved by the board. Each year, divisions across Alberta submit requests for new capital investments to the Province. A new highschool in Spruce Grove continues to be our number one priority. There has been a shuffle in the 2nd priority to now request a new school in the East end of Spruce Grove (Tonewood, Fenwyck). <https://www.psd.ca/download/383963>

Changes in Area Attendance Boundaries: We continue stakeholder engagements to discuss the impact of the Attendance Area Review. All possibilities are being thoroughly considered and there has been no option approved for implementation. <https://www.psd.ca/download/378346>

Registration is Open: Registration for the 2022-2023 is now open. If you know what your plans are next year, please register your children to the appropriate school and for transportation (if applicable). [Online Registration for 2022-2023 | Parkland School Division](#)