

**Minutes for the Meeting of Ecole Broxton Park School Council (Hybrid)
May17th, 2023**

Call to Order: 6:30pm

1. Welcome, Land Acknowledgment, and Introductions

In Attendance: Cheri Day, Marc Dickner, Anil Padayas, Ashley Harms, Trudy Eyre, Karen Hamm, Lori Cote, Nadia Geschke, Amber Ruben, Anne Montgomery (PSD Trustee), Carrie Trueman

2. Approval of the Agenda

Approval of the Agenda – moved by
Approval of the Minutes – moved by

3. Board Updates - Anne

- PSD Board of Trustees created an “Election 2023 Let’s talk education” pamphlet to be distributed. It addresses important educational issues, including questions to ask candidates. There is a focus on SGCHS at maximum capacity, provincial funding for long term planning, cross-ministry partnerships, curriculum development, and stability in learning.
- Question about high school planning numbers. Do the estimated numbers submitted for planning match the current growth and projections and is there the possibility to alter the numbers? Answer: Do not have the numbers on hand. The size of SGCHS has been pre-established and can not be changed. It currently houses about 1000 students and the new school will house 1905 students. It is expected to meet the community needs until 2033-2035.
- Question: What will happen with the Horizon Stage? Unsure at the moment what will happen. They will try to destroy the current school while maintaining the Horizon Stage. There are no funds built into the plans to incorporate a new theatre into the new high school that will be government funded. PSD is communicating with the City of Spruce Grove.

4. EBPS Admin Report: Anil

- See attached

5. Action/Discussion Items:

- a. ASCA Resolutions:
 - a. Section 1 Vote:
 - i. P23-01—Amended and carried
 - ii. P23-02—Carried

- iii. P23-03—Amended and not carried
- iv. P23-04—Carried
- v. P23-05—Carried
- vi. P23-06—Carried
- b. Section 2 Vote: All carried

- b. COSC meeting May 1—Anil report
 - a. ASCA resolutions discussed
 - b. 3 PSD received \$2500 for post-secondary educations from the Alberta School Board Association
 - c. Ft. Chipewyan in a state of emergency
 - d. Candidates for election not allowed to be on school grounds to talk to kids; however one parent mentioned that candidates were presenting platforms at SGCHS at a forum
 - e. PSD has 5 key priorities for election: neutral but advocate for public education
 - f. Transportation 2024 changes: 1.9-2.39 km transportation optional but you pay
 - K-6: less than 1 km paid transportation
 - 7-9 less than 2 km paid transportation
 - 7-10 PSD will get funding this year if can accommodate these riders
 - Also covering private schools and programs of choice
 - For 2023/4, students greater than 2.4 km will be on a bus and as fill in routes will add in other children as can accommodate
 - g. Superintendent report:
 - i. Concern over fires; trauma response for kids who have had to leave school
 - ii. Annual merits and milestones
 - iii. Bus rodeo—to show off skills
 - iv. Metro athletic jamboree—special education children

6. Reports:

- a. FIMESPAF:

Question about funds requested for specialized rocking chairs. From Anil and Cheri, chairs to be used in addition to existing chairs that are being used in other classrooms, particularly good for older students with regulatory difficulties. The chairs are good quality and sturdy, therefore more expensive. To go to a vote via email. It may be appropriate to organize regular fundraisers for the purpose of regulatory aids.

Question about recognition of FIMESPAF. This would be a good opportunity to draw parent's attention to the support that FIMESPAF provides throughout the school. This may promote participation and membership. Ideas included putting photos in the school newsletter and on the FB page about different projects that FIMESPAF has supported.

Adjourned: 1932

Next meeting: September or October AGM