

École Broxton Park: School Council AGM Minutes

Sept 24 at 6:00 PM, ÉBPS Learning Commons & Online

1. **Call to Order:** by at 6:00pm.
 - a. **Land Acknowledgement & Introductions:** Linnaea Anderson (Principal), Mara Poltaruk (Assistant Principal), Amber Ruben (outgoing Chair), Joanne Zervakis, Nicole Beliveau, Kate Rompf, Karen Hamm, Taylor Rousseau, Ashley Harms, Maggie Lamigo, Heather Robertson-Gagne, Nicole Maxfield, Caleigh Pagnucco.
2. **Agenda**
 - a. **Approval of the agenda:** Approved by: Kate Rompf
 - b. **Adoption of previous minutes:** Approved by: Joanne
3. **Introduction of new School Council representatives:**
 - a. Chair: Joanne Zervakis
 - b. Vice Chair: Call for nomination. Second call. **The position remains open. Admin and SC to fan out to families**
 - c. Secretary: Nicole Beliveau
 - d. Social Conveyor: Kate Rompf, Caleigh Pagnucco
4. **ÉBPS administrators report:**
 - a. **Facilities and Renovations**
 - i. Summer Renovations Complete: The back pavement was entirely redone.
 - ii. Outdoor Space: Planters were installed with space allocated for an indigenous garden. Fencing and the gate are complete.
 - iii. Next Steps (Pending Funds): The basketball court project requires securing additional funding.
 - iv. Outdoor Classroom: Seating is currently on order and on its way.
 - b. **School Events and Clubs**
 - i. Cross Country Running: 120 runners participated.
 - ii. Volleyball: The season is currently in full swing.
 - iii. Clubs: A Dungeons and Dragons club is already operating.
 - iv. Orange Shirt Day/National Day for Truth and Reconciliation:
 1. Recognition will be held on September 26th (no classes on the 30th).
 2. Resources and activities have been shared with staff for use in classrooms.
 3. Breakfast Club is featuring bannock all week, made by a different staff member each day.
 - c. **Feedback and Operational Adjustments**

- i. Meet the Teacher: A scavenger hunt helped ensure important parent information was shared.
- ii. Recess Changes: Office referrals related to recess and conflicts during eating time have seen a big reduction.
- iii. Junior High Schedule Adjustment:
 - 1. Issue: Previous schedule had too many unstructured blocks (Flex, library, FLA+), leading to chatting, tech use, or students leaving.
 - 2. Change: Extra work blocks for Math and Science were added for supported practice/work completion.
 - 3. Other Changes: Double blocks for Science labs were added, DLR was integrated into the schedule, and FLA+ was reduced to one block.

d. New Off Grounds Policy (Grades 7 & 8):

- i. Current Status: No off-grounds privileges for Grades 7 and 8 students.
- ii. Reasoning: Concerns related to student safety (wandering, exposure to drugs, fights) in areas like "hamburger hill" and the arena.
- iii. Review: The policy will be re-evaluated in January.
- iv. Exception: Students who live within walking distance and whose parents request they walk home for lunch will continue to be handled case-by-case.

e. Curriculum and Legislative Updates

- i. Curriculum Implementation:
 - 1. New curriculum has been implemented across K-6 for various subjects.
 - 2. Piloting of some subjects has begun for Grades 7-9. (Example: Grade 8 Math is impacted).
- ii. New Ministerial Orders/Acts:
 - 1. Literary materials (September 8th).
 - 2. Education Amendment Act - requires parent opt-in (September 1st).
 - 3. Fairness and Safety in Sport Act (September 1st).

f. Parent Teacher Interviews (PTI) and Engagement

- i. PTI Change: Moving to flexible scheduling with the teacher within a time span (to be more responsive, given the single June report card).
- ii. Action for Council: Would the School Council like to schedule a PTI event for November 19th or 20th to align with the book fair evenings?

g. Parent Engagement Sessions coinciding with School Council/FIMESPAFF meetings (proposed schedule):

- i. October: Online Safety
- ii. November: Literacy
- iii. December: Numeracy

- iv. January: Comprehensive School Health
- v. February: Indigenous & Allies Presentation
- vi. March: Resilience/Peer Relations
- vii. April: ASCA Resolutions
- viii. May: (Topic To Be Determined)

5. Action Discussion Items:

- a. Parent notification: Karen H. illuminates some negative comments posted to a public parent Facebook page. Linnaea acknowledges the existence of a parent driven Facebook page. This page is not monitored by PSD, or Administrators of Broxton. School council and parent community members are encouraged to redirect inquiries/questions to Broxton's official Facebook page for the most accurate information. <https://www.facebook.com/broxtonpark/>
- b. In response to Admin request: Family Engagement night to coincide with the Book Fair.
 - i. Dance Nov 19, 2025
 - ii. Linnaea will ask her contact to DJ once again
 - iii. Karen will reach out to the Quebec Trip parent group to inquire about interest in participating.
- c. FIMESPAFF members will discuss and arrange monthly meeting dates/times following this SC meeting.

6. Adjournment at 6:57pm.