

École Morinville Public School Council

Minutes

École Morinville Public School *March 3, 2025*

Morinville Public School Council acknowledges that we are on Treaty 6 territory, a traditional meeting ground, gathering place, and travelling route to the Cree, Saulteaux, Blackfoot, Metis, Dene and Nakota Sioux. We acknowledge all of the many First Nations, Metis, and Inuit whose footsteps have marked these lands for centuries.

Attendees: Kendra Thompson, Megan Knahs, Kristen Moltzan, Caelie Landry, Margryt Rispens, Tasha Collins, Nicole Wilson, Aimee Blanchette, Courtney Derouin

1. Meeting called to order: by Courtney Derouin at 6:01pm

2. Adoption of Agenda as presented:

MOTION TO APPROVE BY: Nicole Wilson *Carried unanimously*

3. Approval of Minutes as presented:

MOTION TO APPROVE BY: Megan Knahs *Carried unanimously*

4. Principal Report

- Not able to comment on the CUPE strike
- Looking for feedback regarding school assemblies
 - Feedback that has been received so far: assemblies feel hectic
 - Parents are coming in for just a short time for assemblies
 - Considering transitioning to admin visiting the classroom and giving awards to students there
 - Moving towards school assemblies being events like Spencer Speaks that families can still come in for
- Every spring grade 4s complete Alberta Education Assurance Measure
 - Closes March 21
 - Asks questions related to our school
 - Reporting on our school (MPS) and not on Alberta government
 - Need to reflect on what's happening in the school
 - Students, Teachers and Parents fill out
- Kindergarten swimming lessons have been happening- few more lessons before spring break
 - Going to review cost associated with it and adult supervision required to see if we can proceed with this again

5. Trustee Report

- Presented by Kendra
- S. Buga sends her regrets
- Provincial government budget has been released
 - i Need to review it and address it in the coming months

6. Vice Principal Report

- Parent Teacher Interviews March 17 and 19th
- Book fair arrives on the Monday- runs throughout the week of Parent Teacher Interviews
- Booking system for Parent Teacher interviews is open until Monday the 17th at noon- then will close to print off schedules for teachers

7. Teacher's Report

- Pink shirt day last week- nice to see everyone in their pink shirts and there's artwork throughout the school for pink shirt day
- March 10- PD day
- March 14- theme day- Neon/80s day
- Parent teacher interviews March 17 and 19th
- Spring Break week of March 21st

8. Chair Report

- Launched a bit of the letter writing campaign- got buried under other things going on currently

9. Old Business

- N/A

10. New Business

- ASCA Advocacy Resolutions
 - i Electric school bus program in Alberta
 - ii Mandatory funding for specialist teachers in Alberta schools- at minimum full time gym, music, library, specialized teachers in all Alberta public schools
 - iii Mandatory reporting on the state of public schools- addressing reporting on the state of the schools on things like class sizes, etc
 - iv Discontinue mandatory time testing from Kindergarten to grade 3
 - v Online safety- advocating to the minister of education that each board must establish a committee of representatives to respond to all forms of threat to the safety of students, mandatory instruction for teams for online safety, use and storage of student records
- Suggestion from Michelle Keller to combine our yearly grant funding with Four Winds to increase our budget and hopefully get more turnout for the one event

- i Suggestions for same?
 - 1 Bullying
 - 2 Mental Health Support
- ii Contact Courtney with suggestions

Action Items and person(s) responsible:

- Courtney will send out the package of ASCA Advocacy Resolutions
- Courtney to work in conjunction with Michelle (on Four Winds School Council) to decide on what to spend grant money on.

11. Adjournment: *Motion by Courtney Derouin to adjourn at 6:20pm. Carried unanimously.*

Next meeting: April 7, 2025 at 6pm