



**Date:** October 25, 2023 **Agenda Item:** 7.1  
**To:** Board of Trustees  
**From:** Shawna Warren, Superintendent  
**Originator(s):** Jonathan Konrad, Deputy Superintendent, Education Services  
**Governance Policy:** [Policy 305: School Councils](#)  
**Additional Reference:** [Education Act Section 55](#)  
[School Councils Regulation 92/2019](#)  
**Assurance Domain:** Governance  
Local & Societal

### **Superintendent Leadership Quality Standard (SLQS)**

SLQS Competencies ([SLQS](#) / [Board Policy 700](#)):  
Building Effective Relationships  
Visionary Leadership  
Leading Learning  
Supporting Effective Governance

**Subject:** **2022 - 2023 School Council Year in Review Reports**

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### **Purpose:**

For information.

### **Background:**

School Councils are asked to provide an annual “Year in Review” report to the Board of Trustees every Fall as per *Policy 305: School Councils*.

Attached, you will find the “Year in Review” reports for the 2022 - 2023 school year submitted by the following School Councils:

Bon Accord Community School	Namao School
Camilla School	Ochre Park School
École Morinville Public School	Redwater School
Four Winds Public School	SPVA & Learning Centres
Lilian Schick School	Sturgeon Composite High School
	Sturgeon Heights School

Support and reminder communications were provided to the respective schools of: Gibbons School, Guthrie School and Landing Trail School.

Administration is prepared to respond to questions at the October 25, 2023, Public Board meeting.

**Attachment(s):**

1. 2022 - 2023 School Council Year in Review Report - Bon Accord Community School
2. 2022 - 2023 School Council Year in Review Report - Camilla School
3. 2022 - 2023 School Council Year in Review Report - École Morinville Public School
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**Bon Accord Community School**

**School Council**

**Year in Review 2022 – 2023**

**Written by:**

Jared Thompson

**Chairperson**

**Enter Name:**

Jared Thompson

**Bon Accord Community School**  
**SCHOOL COUNCIL YEAR IN REVIEW**  
**2022 – 2023**

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Include a comprehensive summary of each meeting – i.e. Executive elections, COSC, Names/Titles of presentations or reports and name of each presenter (i.e. Principal, PFA, outside organizations).

**September 2022**

- Student roster is significantly up at 239, this has allowed us to maintain two classes for each grade and has also brought some new staff to the school.
- \$1,500 was raised towards the Terry Fox run
- There is a new curriculum for K-3 for math and language arts, this will bring change in the parent portal gradebooks. Specifically impacting the formative and summative categories, lots of information will be provided to parents.
- This week is National Truth and Reconciliation week, activities have been held all week
- Nutrition program is up and running, budget is very tight with the increased number of students. Community breakfast will be coming with a monthly assembly in the gym.
- There are 38/44 students enrolled in the rec academy for grade 4's.

**October 2022**

*No Meeting – due to PTI*

**November 2022**

Admin

- Recovering from the Outbreak status from RSV, currently quite a few cases of flu
- Reference to school newsletters that are coming out regularly
- Next meeting will be presenting education plan for coming year. This will include data measures for the division aligned goals. Will also be posted on our website.
- Bon Accord and District Ag Society donated \$2K to the breakfast program as well as \$1.5K for the purchase of a dishwasher and fridge
- \$1,000 donation from Picford to the Rec Academy
- Discussion of plans for snow removal, in the future snow will be piled in the yard to serve as a secondary play area.

Executive

- Jared confirmed his participation in Council of School Councils which was held at the end of October, meeting found valuable.
- Value scoping workshop upcoming next week, focus on capital spending in the division. Update will be provided.

ACSC Grant

- Carryover exists for \$428, each year allotment of \$500. To be used on parent workshops for various topics of interest in the school, parent resources, ideas to engage parents, etc.
- Please bring forward any ideas for topics, presentations, etc.

Mr Sales – Counselling and Wellness Plan

- Works in conjunction with the Mental Health and Wellness Coach and they have created a mental health and wellness plan for the school. Detailed plan is available on the website.

## December 2020

*No Meeting*

## January 2023

Admin Report

- High-level overview of the Educational Plan provided by Kessia, plan will be posted on the website for reference. This included a budget overview.
- Overview of ICE Presentation held on February 18, presentation was extremely valuable. Next week is another presentation - Foundations of Connections with SAFFRON Center, see email that went out this week, registration required.

Superintendent Warren attended meeting

Trustee Report

- Overview of school presentations conducted.
- Touched briefly on transportation, conversations ongoing in division regarding next year.
- Joint use meeting update produced an idea of a solar farm in town as a field trip.
- Please subscribe to the division newsletter.
- Inclement weather was addressed, clarification made between where the call is made to run buses or not. As of November 2021 the bus operators will make the decision as to the safety conditions, determining whether or not to operate the buses. All buses across division would be called at a point of -40 C, this is without wind-chill.
- Clarification made around the scanning on and off the bus, this is not for GPS purposes but rather for tracking who was on the bus in the event of an emergency.
- Lengthy discussion held as to recent frustrations around a recent breakdown in the communication when a bus went into the ditch.
- Superintendent Warren spoke to bussing and overall update of division.

## February 2023

Admin Report

- Kessia provided overview of preliminary planning happening for next year. Looking at class plans to be submitted soon.
- Provincial budget approved today, contained within this was approval for the support for busing for students K-6 within 1km of school.
- Update held for period of “technology free” time. First instance arose at indoor recess and now happening going forward at intervals. Referring to technology related to non-educational times. Striving to find the right balance between ensuring that we still promote real interaction.
  - Reminder Alberta Education Assurance survey has gone out, this is relevant to grade 4 families. The grade 4 survey also went this week to students.
  - BACS, LS and Legal will be sharing new resources to work in collaboration with our current mental health resources. Kezia Mensah attended meeting to speak briefly to this. Program is in the early stages, more to come. This will be similar to

the HYPE program that has been very successful in Red Water. Will involve resources for students, staff and parents.

#### Trustee Briggs Report

- Definition has been made for attendance areas within Sturgeon County. This information has been distributed to parents. This includes the definition of an area for Legal.
- Discussion held around the potential for a new school in Gibbons and the potential impact this may have on Bon Accord.

#### Executive Report

- No formal update. Brief update provided for the archery club and the tournament that the grade 4's were able to attend last weekend at Lillian Schick. Kids were extremely excited. 4 kids will be attending provincials.

### March 2023

No meeting due to PTI

### April 2023

Admin report

- Dance party to be held outside this coming Friday, April 28.
- Next week is education week and there will be a message coming out to parents to ask them to come forth with any talents or passions they would like to showcase.
- May 10 there will be a lockdown practice.
- There is Alexander First Nations Culture Camp happening the week of May 8<sup>th</sup> and our Grade 3's will get to attend one morning.
- Looking at planning for next year, potential for there to be a 3<sup>rd</sup> grade 1 class next year.
- Shelf doors are coming to the hallway shelving units as well as a water bottle filling station.

#### Trustee Report

- Last evening was Sturgeon Night of Music, excellent.
- There are 6 Provincial funded school systems in Alberta, we need to be talking to our local candidates – as publicly funded we accept all but this is not the case for everyone – why?
- Biggest item currently is budget.

#### Executive Report

- We have about \$400 left in our grant account. Proposing to book the outdoor classroom for a family nature night, targeting June 16<sup>th</sup>.

### May 2023

AGM

Motion to dissolve School Council was passed, new council was formed

Chair – Jared Thompson

Vice Chair – Carmen Siemens

Secretary – Katelyn Fleury

Officers – Jessica Kampjes and Christy Condin

### 1.1 Admin Report

Kessia provided overview of the May 2023 Quarterly Reporting to School Council document which included staffing for the school. Budget looks like there is additional monies remaining, this is a result of the Curriculum Implementation Funding – will allow for the carryover of \$10k into next year to be available to put towards the outdoor classroom. The breakfast program was also discussed, 75% of budget currently spent which is appropriate for remaining costs to come in year. Acknowledgement and appreciation for the additional donations that were received into the breakfast program and volunteers this year. Also covered the School fees final budget which includes materials fees, costs for technology, additional options for the Grade 4 Rec Academy (next year to also offer maker space, outdoor pursuits and foods). Overview was provided for teachers next year also:

Pre-K, current teacher will be away for one year and position to be posted  
Kindergarten, both classes will be Mrs. Thompson  
Grade 1 – Mrs. McEachern and Mrs. Sadlowski, hiring one additional  
Grade 2 – Mrs. Roe and Mrs. Tower  
Grade 3 – Mrs. Gagnon and Mrs. McNeil  
Grade 4 – Mrs. Hand/Mrs. Beckman and Mrs. Gilpin

Mrs. Hall and Mrs. McGuire will together be the learning and wellness coaches.

### 1.2 Trustee Report

Call out and appreciation for the success of the Legal school fair. Awaiting information on budget tomorrow. Discussed success of school division (Rock of Ages at Camilla School and Art Show from Landing Trail).

### 1.3 Review of By-Laws

Jared provided overview as background.

### 1.4 Health and Safety of Playground

Parent provided overview presentation to the committee. Outlined her background in physical education and previous experience in dealing with health and safety concerns. Canadian Playground Safety Institute and other organizations have been contacted to outline some concerns. Raising concerns as a parent of this school. Kessia spoke to oversight of health and safety protocols from the division.

### 1.5 Pride Week

Concerns brought forward by Parent around Pride Week, addressed fact that speaking on behalf of other parents. Would like to address concerns that pride week is associated with organizations/topics that not all families identify with. Kessia addressed Sturgeon School division and their position with respect to the two LGBTQ communities and support for all students. This is mandated in the Education Act. Question posed as to whether the school library has any books that address transgender, this does not lend itself to this age group and was confirmed as no. Books are monitored for being appropriate for age groups by school.

Outcomes will be communicated from the school to parents around the Sexual Orientation and Gender Identify (115), from Alberta Curriculum.

**June 2023**

*No Meeting until September 2023*



Choose an item.

**School Council - Financial Statement**

**REPORTING PERIOD: September 1, 2022 – August 31, 2023**

<b>ASSETS</b>	Cash/Bank Account/Common Shares	\$	_____
	List any other Assets:		
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	Deposits	\$	<input type="text"/>
	Bank Balance August 31, 2023	\$	<input type="text"/>

**THIS FINANCIAL STATEMENT HAS BEEN REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: This report is based on funds managed by the School Council, not funds managed by the school Fundraising Society.**

# Camilla School Council would like to thank all the volunteers that helped with our various activities throughout the 2022/23 School Year!

**Please see below for a brief review of the year.**

<b>September</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AGM</li> <li>• Establish Executive positions</li> <li>• Plan future events ie: babysitting course</li> <li>• Grab and Go initiated with CSSA</li> </ul>
<b>October</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hot lunch started (every 2 weeks)</li> <li>• Decided to run Christmas Store</li> </ul>
<b>November</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Planned Christmas Appreciation gifts</li> <li>• Planned Pancake Breakfast</li> <li>• Decided to support Rock of Ages Musical</li> <li>• Hosted "ICE" presentation on Internet safety Nov. 23rd</li> </ul>
<b>December</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hosted Pancake breakfast December 23rd</li> <li>• Hosted Christmas Gift Store</li> <li>• Supported Adopt a family Food Hampers</li> </ul>
<b>January</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Babysitting Course Jan 30,31st</li> <li>• Decided to do Glow dance</li> </ul>
<b>February</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Planned ASCA presentation</li> <li>• Planning Book fair</li> </ul>
<b>March</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hosted March 14th ASCA presentation on School Council Purpose</li> <li>• Bottle Drive with Rotary for Rock of Ages</li> <li>• Glow dance planning</li> </ul>
<b>April</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• April 17th hosted ASCA presentation on Engagement</li> <li>• April 24th Home alone course</li> <li>• Glow Dance April 28th</li> </ul>
<b>May</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hosted week of May 8th, Book Fair</li> <li>• Help with Concession May 26th Elementary and Junior High Track and Field</li> </ul>
<b>June</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plan for Year end hot dog lunch on same day as primary Track and Field</li> <li>• Pre-K open house</li> <li>• June 26th Teacher and Bus Driver appreciation</li> </ul>
<b>Summer</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Watering Trees</li> </ul>

*Hope to see everyone at our AGM in September!*

**Ecole Morinville Public School**

**School Council**

**Year in Review 2022 – 2023**

**Written by:**

Courtney Derouin

**Chairperson**

**Enter Name:**

Courtney Derouin

**Ecole Morinville Public School**  
**SCHOOL COUNCIL YEAR IN REVIEW**  
**2022 – 2023**

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**September 2022**

- Election of Executive; maintained same executive members as 21/22 with the exception of voting in Courtney Derouin as Secretary (replacing Jennifer Anheliger) Chair; Becky Lynn McNeil, Vice Chair; Jill Hibbs-Pinney, PFA Liaison; Michelle Keller
- Principal Report (Kendra Thompson): Fire Drills planned, Sensory Rooms in high demand – 2 rooms available, Chicken Coop being prepared, Terry Fox week plans
- Meet the Teacher Night was a success; excitement for more in person events

**October 2022**

- Our House daycare open, Christmas Concert planning, Parent Teacher Interviews, IPPS being completed and OT/PT coming back into building,
- Truth and Reconciliation – Orange Shirt day and other activities successful, Implementing new Curriculum, Finished provincial assessments, Opted out of Grade 3 provincial test, Makerspace relaunched.
- Transportation update from Trustee Buga – funding issues for bussing students within 2.4 km of school (basically all of Morinville minus South Glens)
- COSC set for Oct 25

**November 2022:**

- Halloween Week was eventful; parade, dance party, class parties, glow sticks
- Information from Council of School Council's Meeting
- Remembrance Day Ceremony was well attended by parents as were PTIs and Book Fair
- Food for Thought donation from Midstream Society (separate from Dragon Snack grant funding)
- Update on Christmas Concert – details being finalized, tickets for families
- Saffron Center presentations: Percy's got a bubble and My body, My boundary
- Successful Hot dog day – opportunity to build community and culture in school; even with some sickness in community parents still came to pick up kids hot dogs
- Literacy Coach in the school, Learning Farm getting re-energized
- Value Scoping Sessions Nov 29 and Dec 1
- Discussion of ASCE grant with 1 time roll over – EMPS has close to \$1000
- Update on CASA classrooms throughout division

## December 2022

- Sturgeon Public Schools Annual Education Results Report from Principal
- Christmas Concert and Events throughout school; 12 days of Christmas, Snowflake Winter Wonderland, Candy Cane Sales
- Presentation from Mental Health Coach (Haley Allen) Monthly Character Development Theme with Assembly including nominations for students who embodied those traits and will receive award and wristband colored to match the theme. Goal to have every student nominated by year end. School wide activities planned as well such as trivia, karaoke, food bank drive, etc.
- Value Scoping Report; EMPS “modernization” from modulars added, lowers our score, Potential proposal for EMPS to be new build as K-6, Gibbons first priority this year due to community partnership which strengthens proposal
- B. McNiel step down as chair effective immediately as she was hired on with the School
- J. Hibbs-Pinney acting chair, position advertised in next Dragon News
- Ideas suggested for ASCE funding (Find Your Village, FOPS, \$928.17 available)

## January 2023

- Meeting Cancelled

## February 2023

- Principal Report from K. Thompson: Reviewed 3 year education plan and mid year survey
- Registration Open, Kindergarten and Pre-K Open house planned
- Levelled Readers ordered for school using Government curriculum grant money
- Teacher Report from M. Webb: Construction on Chicken Coop completed – suggested to bring in a Parent/Community Member as a Learning Farm Liaison to keep longevity and sustainability
- COSC March 21
- Transportation Update from Trustee Buga; many issues with funding, model, fees, demand, noon bussing, believe it will affect mostly Jr High students and not EMPS
- Still seeking new Chair – suggested and planned to have table at Open House so that families put faces to the council

## March 2023

- PTIs scheduled around COSC, Parent Engagement evenings planned around picky eating and whole brain child
- 3 year plan identified parent engagement as area of growth
- Vice Principal, Teacher and Trustee report non applicable due to absences
- Courtney Derouin step down as Secretary and elected as Chair, Erin Carrol elected as Secretary
- ASCE grant money vote approves use for Strengthening Children against Anxiety session with Karen Young, author of the Hey Warrior book being used in Gr 3 and 4 classrooms to support students to learn to identify and manage anxiety
- Post Learning Farm Liaison Flyer and share with Morinville News

- Creation of email for school council to be managed by Chairperson; vote carries
- Pamphlet developed for Kindergarten Open House reviewed
- Parent Resource on Monthly Character theme proposed and submitted to inform parents of school wide activities as well as share other resources for Parents on the theme (March was Truth and Wisdom)
- Feedback for Open House; expand information to include culture of whole school not just Kinder programming such as Learning Farm, Literacy Day/Coach, CASA classrooms partnership, etc.
- Principal proposes engagement idea for Carnival in June – high interest in such an event

### April 2023

- Sturgeon Night of Music update, Registration open for next year, Month of the Military Child, Curriculum Updates
- Eggs in Incubators with the Grade 3 classrooms! Still seeking Learning Farm Liaison
- May 4 Jack and the Beanstalk Play, May 5 Literacy Day
- Reminder of ASCA AGM – Courtney will register and submit vote online
- 3 year plan; EMPS as 2<sup>nd</sup> priority
- Update on Transportation changes in funding to 1km radius
- COSC – group email formed, casual engagement in the parking lot for example is still engagement, shared fundraising ideas
- Chair report on Town of Morinville Volunteer Recruitment session – connect people to the heart of what school council is/does, recreate mission/vision to include the why, make people feel included, have clear leadership and roles for volunteers, path for progression (ie start as classroom rep, join a committee, lead a committee, shadow a role such as secretary, join executive), entice with small focused tasks that are minimal time commitment to get people started/in the door
- Parent Engagement sessions set – Strengthening Children against Anxiety date April 26, picky eating and whole brain child on May 24 (\*Parent Feedback that Karen Young strengthening children against anxiety event was expensive – parent was joining online and had some issues with hybrid model, struggling to hear and participate in the meeting. Council used funds towards one event as time was running out for planning during the school year, the event ties in with resources being taught in classrooms, we want to use the funds purposefully to not lose them)
- Proposal to update school council website link through school to include Policies and Procedures are posted as per Operating Procedures. As well as suggestion to include links to minutes and agendas on the website as well as through dragon news and the parent facebook page to ensure availability of information
- Wish to review the division wide survey on what parents want to see from school councils, how they like to engage, where they want to find information
- Added Learning Farm Liaison Role to Operating Procedures
- Review revised Mission and Vision and adopted by unanimous consent
  - a. Mission: *"Ecole Morinville Public School Council creates opportunities for parental and community involvement to support and enhance student success. We actively participate in school improvement planning and advise faculty on parental perspectives, aspirations and values."*

- *Vision: Ecole Morinville Public School Council values parents' voices. We believe a variety of opportunities enable families and community members to be meaningfully involved in public education for our students. These voices can provide a consistent foundation throughout fluctuating influential factors that impact education systems and delivery. Council is a platform for members to exercise their voice, power and commitment to the best education for our children.*
- Determined votes for ASCA AGM Advocacy Resolutions
- Revisit certain policies such as updates from teachers on what grades are working on that are not currently happening – do we want to make sure they happen or revise our procedures to remove? Decided to keep them in and work on establishing accountability to make sure they happen next school year.
- M. Keller initiated contact with Morinville News Online to promote council's advertisement for Learning Farm Liaison – front page story result [EMPS Learning Farm seeking community liaison - Morinville News - Morinville Online](#)

### May 2023

- SPS Communications and Marketing Presentation – Google Reviews requested, get families to post on social media and tag EMPS and SPS, use keywords, short form content, hopping on trends
- Red dress day on May 5 solely for staff to recognize, not being shared at a student level due to gravity of the meaning behind it.
- Posting for a second principal at EMPS will allow greater capacity for supporting students and staff
- Moosehide walk May 11; partner with Jessie's House; be a buddy not a bully; For grade 3 and 4
- Carnival Plans coming together – performers booked, free hot dog BBQ, glitter tattoos, working on booking petting zoo. June 15<sup>th</sup> 4:30-6:30
- Lots of field trips coming up – if parents want to get involved they can contact their teacher, don't have to wait to be asked
- 24 chicks hatched and will be housed in the Learning Farm; Liaison Position has been filled by Ashlee White - Lots of contacts and knowledge, good composting and soil management plans, able to get cheaper feed, adding other animals
- 21 stations throughout school for Literacy Day – many volunteers coming in to lead activities or read to students, parent volunteers welcome
- Transition to Adulthood Fair May 25 at Sturgeon Comp 5-8pm
- Noon bussing being offered for Pre-K; All riders will see a reduction in fees!
- Board is meeting with election candidates; focus on keeping public education public and advocating/inquiring about infrastructure
- ASCA website members only information updated if anyone would like to access Chair can share password
- Report shared from ASCA AGM
- Multiple ideas for parent engagement; ASCA Task Force, job tree (virtual), new parents welcome package, present at Kinder Open House, Annual Agenda, etc
- Results shared from survey conducted at Family Dance (Q1: What excites you most about your child's education? Q2 what would you like to see from your school council?)

survey April 2023	outdoor	literacy	ment hlth	soc skills
Total	32	26	23	31
Q1	65%	53%	47%	63%
survey april 2023	parentin	advc	eng/soc	
Total	21	11	36	
Q2	43%	22%	73%	
49 surveys				

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- Proposed 3 year plan for school council (Year 1; build parent engagement, Year 2; build community engagement, Year 3; Recruitment and Mentorship Planning for School Council Executive)
- Outdoor classroom and Education; Nature Practitioner Course offered by Child and Nature Alliance Canada coming to Edmonton in October – build skills for our Learning Farm – PFA cannot pay for teacher to go but can sponsor a volunteer \$1850 for the course
- Followed ASCA Political Engagement recommendations, emailed candidates and shared responses solely on FB Parent Page



# ENGAGING WITH OUR CANDIDATES

## **Hello!**

One of the possible roles of school council is to support parents to engage with our political parties and potential or current representatives.

Following Alberta School Council Associations Political Engagement Plan, 5 questions were submitted to our potential candidates. So far 2 have replied and we are still seeking a response from the others.

**Purpose:**  
**To engage with political candidates, seek information and gain insight about party perspectives particular to public education (paraphrased from ASCA)**  
**[www.albertaschoolcouncils.ca](http://www.albertaschoolcouncils.ca)**

## **Email sent to:**

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**[info@albertaparty.ca](mailto:info@albertaparty.ca)**  
**[info@albertagreens.ca](mailto:info@albertagreens.ca)**

## **Attached:**

Copy of the letter (based off of [albertaschoolcouncils.ca](http://albertaschoolcouncils.ca) sample letter) sent.

The responses received so far.

Any further responses will be added as soon as they are received (follow up email sent and voicemail left - working hard to bring all perspectives to you!).

As this is for informative purposes only, comments will be turned off. Thank you!

# THE 5 QUESTIONS

Dear Candidates,

Thank you for putting forward your name for the upcoming provincial election.

The opportunity to engage in democracy and elect officials who will make important decisions for our province and its future is one we appreciate and choose to engage in as informed citizens and parents. As parents of young children, our parent community is largely busy so we would like to take some time to reach out to you directly to bring some of your views to them.

To better inform our voting decisions, and those of the parents in our school community, we ask that you answer the following questions, from your own position, as well as that of your official party's position.

1. EMPS is a 70+yr old building that was originally designed as a high school and structurally does not meet the needs of a modern elementary school. Many school buildings in our Rural division are aging and need modernizations or replacement options. What would you do to address this issue?
2. What are your views on standardized tests?
3. Our playground is deteriorating and cost of living increases make fundraising difficult. What would you do to try to end the expectation that parents fundraise for education?
4. As a Public School, EMPS supports students with a wide range of learning styles. In what ways would you improve supports for diverse students and complex classrooms?
5. What are your top three priorities for Education in Alberta?

We look forward to your response, and thank you in advance, for taking the time to address these important topics. Responses will be shared publicly with school community members.

Courtney Derouin  
Chair  
EMPS School Council 2023  
Ecole Morinville Public School

# **ALBERTA PARTY - CFO**

**Here are my responses on behalf of the Alberta Party.**

- 1. An Alberta Party government would ensure building decisions for new schools are not politically driven, and would fund new schools according to enrolment numbers.**
- 2. We do not have a policy on standardized tests.**
- 3. An Alberta Party government would provide sustainable, consistent, adequate funding for our schools, thus ending the need for parents to fundraise.**
- 4. An Alberta Party Government would increase supports for students with special needs with additional appropriately trained staff and funding, including targeted funding for educational assistants.**
- 5. Our top three priorities are:**
  - to initiate a curriculum development process that is representative, evidence-based, and protected from political interference;**
  - to fund education adequately; and**
  - to invest in high-quality childcare and Early Childhood Education.**

**Yours sincerely,**

**John Gee  
Chief Financial Officer  
Alberta Party**

## **NEW DEMOCRATIC PARTY**

**Since 2019, 36,000 more students have enrolled in Alberta's schools, but the UCP has failed to hire a single additional teacher. They've underfunded education and haven't built schools where they're most needed.**

**An Alberta NDP government will invest in supporting students and education. We will fund every student and classroom, setting targets for classroom sizes. We will do this by hiring 4,000 more teachers and 3,000 educational support staff. Our plan means more one-on-one attention for students. And it means every child will get the support they need to succeed. We will also allot \$100 million annually to restore and expand PUF funding.**

**We've heard concerns from parents and teachers about the UCP curriculum. We will initiate a curriculum review within our first 100 days of being in government and invite input from Albertans, especially those with children in schools.**

**We are also continuing to follow through on Rachel Notley's vision to ensure no student goes hungry by expanding the school nutrition program. In year three, the school nutrition program will grow to cover 75,000 students at an annualized cost of \$20m.**

**Finally, we are committing to building and modernizing 125 schools across Alberta in this term of government.**

**Thank you for your commitment to public education in Alberta.**

**I hope I can count on your support,**

**Karen Shaw**

**Alberta NDP candidate**

**Morinville – St Albert**

## **ALBERTA PARTY - CANDIDATE**

**Thank you for your patience. I will do my best to answer as candidly as possible.**

**1. As the former principal of Ecole Morinville Public School, I know firsthand the challenges of that building. I have also worked in other buildings that have similar issues. For me, it is a matter of properly funding education, not only for instruction but infrastructure too. Expanding capital projects is necessary all across Alberta.**

**2. It is different at every level. I believe there is a need to help guide our instruction but currently, that is not what is happening. Standardized tests have become a tool for rating schools and creating a competitive environment that is detrimental to community schools. It also puts too much stress on young kids. In its current format we are spending millions to administer the tests. That money could do more for kids if it was directed to the classroom.**

**3. I am sore to hear that the playground is not holding up. I know the parents worked very hard to get that equipment not too long ago. Again, I think that schools need to be funded properly. A school is not just textbooks and teachers, and for elementary schools it's playground equipment to be healthy active kids.**

**4. One is increasing EA's in the classrooms. It is difficult to answer this without having a conversation. When I was principal there, we continually thought outside the box to try and support all kids. Funding for unique programs needs to be brought to the table. The current, one size fits all funding model for education is not working and I would like to see that changed.**

**5. In no particular order because you can't have one thing without the other.**

**Mental Health supports**

**Increase staffing - teachers and EA**

**Proper funding for programs - learning needs, behaviour needs, and HS programs like carpentry.**

**Capital funding.**

**Sorry I have to have 4.**

**Take care,**

**Wayne Rufiange**

### June 2023

- Meeting Cancelled – Chair Report provided in lieu
- Running Photo Contest for Playground Advisory Input throughout the Summer
- Plan to share information at Carnival on June 15th
  - Promote Photo Contest, yearbook, advertise open positions – PFA Chair and Welcome Committee

- Trustee Report included in Chair Report from meeting between C. Derouin and S. Buga on June 2, 2023 – Re: budget explanations/information
- C. Derouin and K. Thompson met May 25 – dates shared in Chair Report around Meet the Teacher Night, First Council in Sept, etc.

**Chair Report**  
**Courtney Derouin**  
**June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023 - Cancelled Meeting**

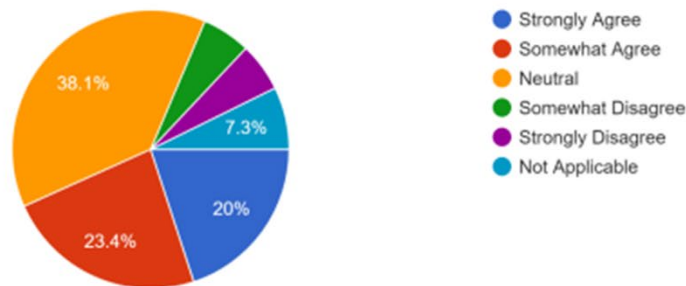
1. Celebrate the Year!
  - a. Report to School Division
    - i. Learning Farm Liaison Recruited – Amazing fit with our school, big plans for greenhouse, garden, beautification, community collaboration, more animals, etc. Welcome, Ashlee White!
    - ii. We managed to fill all positions after Chair stepped down to accept staffing role in school community!
    - iii. ASCE Grant Use – Karen Young
      1. Parent Feedback: “I really enjoyed it and learned a lot how kids think!”
    - iv. Formation of COSC Group Email and being to bridge collaboration with other schools in division
    - v. Results from SPS Survey (specific to school council):

Sturgeon Public Schools  
Parent Engagement 2023



School Council plays a meaningful advisory role in my child's school.

441 responses







When asked, **What do you think parental or guardian involvement should look like in schools**, the following themes emerged:

- Parents want to continue to volunteer in schools. Schools should ensure these opportunities are well communicated.
- School Council is a common way to be involved.
- Parents are happy with the opportunities they have to be involved in school.
- Parents are content with the general information they are receiving from schools.

When asked, **How can Sturgeon Public Schools support parents / families to take a more active role in ensuring students' success in education**, the following themes emerged:

- Schools could communicate more around volunteer opportunities in schools.
- Communication could be improved around discipline, academic achievement, and weekly or monthly activities and events.
- More workshops or learning opportunities for Parents would be appreciated.
- More parents could be involved through School Councils.

1. Annual Agenda for 2023/2024
  1. Living document will change as we learn throughout next school year
2. Council Year at A Glance (to be updated and distributed school year 2023/2024)
  - a. September
    - i. Meet the Teacher Night
    - ii. First meeting Sept 11
  - b. October
    - i. AGM/Election
  - c. November
    - i. 1<sup>st</sup> Update from Teachers on what grades are working on (from policy/procedure)
    - ii. COSC Nov 15
  - d. December
    - i. Christmas Concert Dec 14/15
  - e. Jan
    - i. Mid Year Survey
  - f. Feb
    - i. Kinder Open House
    - ii. 2<sup>nd</sup> update from teachers
  - g. Mar
    - i. Share ASCA Resolutions
    - ii. COSC Mar 7
  - h. Apr
    - i. ASCA Conference
  - i. May
    - i. 3<sup>rd</sup> update from teachers



- a. Jun
  - i. Carnival
  - ii. Report to the Board
  
- 2. New Parent Welcome Committee
  - a. Start recruiting through June – have in place for September meet the Teacher night Aug 30 – just be present to answer questions, have table, distribute info (pamphlet, inform re Parent FB Page, Trustee Talk, Council Meets, PFA, Dragon News, etc)
  - b. Minimal time commitment – just for meet the teacher and then committee can share the role/make own plans for connecting through Kendra and council with families new to the school throughout the school year – ie new parents can be connected to specific member of the committee to be welcomed/ask questions?
  - c. Seeking 2-5 members?
  - d. Have Council/Learning Farm Liaison members present as well during meet the teacher night
- 3. Playground Social Media Challenge
  - a. Goal:
    - i. Provide engagement opportunity for parents to advise playground planning
    - ii. Increase FB Page membership/engagement
    - iii. Build culture/fun for existing and new families
  - b. Must have student enrolled at EMPS for 23-24 school year – vet through the Event page co-hosted by Michelle and Courtney
  - c. Encourage parents to join FB page
  - d. Share to Ice Hut for their own social media presence
  - e. Parameters
    - i. Include piece of playground equipment you would love to see at EMPS, can be photo/selfie/reel/tik tok, etc
    - ii. Shout out to the Ice Hut
    - iii. Must be enrolled for 2023 school year
    - iv. Multiple Entries (maximum 3 per family)
    - v. Entries will be shared publicly
    - vi. Draw date Sept 6<sup>th</sup> – open event to EMPS families to meet there and view draw live as well as stream online
  
- 1. Promote @ Carnival
  - a. Summer Photo Contest
  - b. Advertise open positions (PFA Chair, Secretary, Directors at Large, Welcome Committee)
  - c. Yearbook
- 2. Summary of Meeting with Trustee
  - a. Budget is running at a large deficit for 2<sup>nd</sup> year in a row to account for surpluses that were held in reserve to ensure resiliency through incoming cuts in funding, which can no longer be held in reserves (amount has been capped)
  - b. Further funding has also been allocated to SPS (1/6 boards to receive said funding throughout province); due to our division being particularly impacted by changes in funding
  - c. Changes: Funding based on weighted moving average (meant to be more predictable so schools don't see large decreases in \$ based on enrollment numbers, however this model is difficult to work with when student #'s are increasing rather than decreasing)
    - i. 25% of enrollment from previous year
    - ii. 25% of current enrollment
    - iii. 50% projected enrollment next year
  - d. Check SPS Website for further details
- 3. Next Meeting Date – Sept 11, 2023

# PICTURE THIS PLAYGROUND



You're  
Invited!

More info,  
events and  
parent  
engagement on  
Facebook:  
**MPS Parents  
Group**

## EMPS SCHOOL COUNCIL

Summer Photo Contest - Inspire our school's playground plans with **photos/reels/videos of you enjoying playground equipment you'd love to see at EMPS** for a chance to win 1 of 3 \$15 gift certificates to The Ice Hut!

**Contest open June 19 - Sept 4; Draw to take place beginning of September** (3 winners \*must have student registered for 23/24 school year).

## Submit via our Facebook Event Page

OR EMAIL YOUR SUBMISSION TO  
EMPSCOUNCIL@GMAIL.COM  
ALL PHOTO ENTRIES WILL BE SHARED  
PUBLICLY



Include a  
shoutout to The  
Ice Hut with  
your entry by  
mentioning your  
favourite  
flavour of ice  
cream!

Name of School  
**School Council - Financial Statement**  
REPORTING PERIOD: September 1, 2021 – August 31, 2022

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**Four Winds Public School**

**School Council**

**Year in Review 2022 – 2023**

**Written by:**

**Chairperson**

**Enter Name: Jenn Anheliger**

**Four winds School Council**  
**SCHOOL COUNCIL YEAR IN REVIEW**  
**2023 – 2023**

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**September 2022**

- Election of Executive
- School Code of Conduct
- Principal report, discussion around classroom sizes and capacity
- Roundtable discussion with Trustee Buga

**October 2022**

- Meeting Cancelled

**November 2022**

- Accountability Pillar Results from Principal
- Information from Council of School Council's Meeting
- Principals Report
- Trustee Report – length discussion around bussing
- French language curriculum discussed.

**December 2022**

*Meeting Cancelled*

**January 2023**

- Discussion of student surveys
- Discussion around mental health, harmful language
- Fins Program
- Library enhancements – French immersion section to be included.
- Discussion around CASA
- Report from Principal

**February 2023**

- Survey season, discussion around encouraging participating.
- Grade 9 Farewell and planning
- Budget update
- Discussion around PD and improving professional growth.
- Discussion with Trustee Buga around attendance area changes

### **March 2023**

- School Store is open.
- Staffing changes
- Sport events upcoming.
- Continued discussion around budget

### **April 2023**

- Showcase/open house to include multiple presentations and activities.
- Flight Club
- Academy registrations and parent feedback on programs
- Discussion around 2024 CTFs being planned.
- Immigration/Citizenship ceremony
- Discussion around school calendar and 3-year capital plan

### **May 2023**

- Fieldtrips, volunteer appreciation, Citizenship ceremony
- New Logo creation by a community member
- Annie production
- Community volunteering and student participation
- Bussing discussions

### **June 2023**

*Meeting Cancelled*

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**Lilian Schick**

**School Council**

**Year in Review 2022 – 2023**

**Written by:**

**Chairperson**

**Tyler Hanson**



Lilian Schick

## SCHOOL COUNCIL YEAR IN REVIEW

2023 – 2023

### September 2022

- Our AGM was to be held Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>. However, no candidates were found to constitute the Executive. So, this became an information meeting where the administration and trustee gave updates on the school.

### October 2022

At our October meeting, Tyler Hanson was elected as Chair and Tracey Powers as vice-chair. No secretary was elected so it was decided we would simply find someone to record minutes for each meeting this year.

- The Principal gave an enrollment update, an update on funding from the Division to support split classes and an EA for elementary. Updates coming to our learning commons. Updates on school programs and upcoming events given.
- Student Council president Kaeli Mack gave a report on their activities and executive for the year
- Trustee gave a report on Lagoon litigation, transportation and COSC.
- LOGOS program is organizing a chapel for December at LTS.

### November 2022

- School administration and trustee gave an informational report, but quorum was not present.

### December 2022

No meeting was held.

### January 2023

- Administration updated on Try-A-Trade workshop attended by 120 students, update on student literacy and numeracy challenge.
- Trustee reported transportation issues still being discussed.
- Jonathan Konrad, assistant superintendent was present to make a school and website presentation.
- School Education Plan from Principal
- Sandra Cooper and Nadina Braz presented an excellent Counselling and Wellness plan for the school.

### February 2023

- Administration reported plans to update learning commons with new furniture to make the space more useful. More outdoor PE equipment has been purchased with hopes to also make it available to the community. Survey sent out to consider options available for students next year. Update on house leagues.

- Trustee updated on new attendance boundaries with establishment of Legal school. Transportation discussed.
- LOGOS program hosting pancake breakfast Feb. 21 and Easter chapel April 6<sup>th</sup>.
- Access to Education act discussed. Question posed to trustee: Does the school board feel they have adequate tools to provide a safe and healthy learning environment in Sturgeon?

### **March 2023**

- Vice-chair held the meeting as chair was absent. Administration and trustee gave reports.

### **April 2023**

- It was decided to use \$150 to support a presentation for parents on digital literacy.
- Administration gave an update on the upcoming ICE presentation; updates on options, grounds, events and school programs.
- ASCA resolutions were discussed and voted upon.

### **May 2023**

- Discussion was held regarding fees for option classes next year. Updates given on field trips and student achievements.
- Trustee reported on budget passed by board, discussion around Pride Week.
- LOGOS put on a meal for staff in May, gave Gr. 9 students Bibles and their last meeting will be June 13<sup>th</sup> at LTS.

Namao  
School Council  
Year in Review 2022 – 2023

Written by:

Chairperson  
Jaclyn Miller

NAMA O SCHOOL COUNCIL YEAR IN REVIEW  
2022 – 2023

## September 2022

- Election of Executive done in May at the AGM. Executive positions as follows:

Jaclyn Miller – Chair

Cherie Speer & Angela Wilson – Co-Vice Chairs

Tricia Forsyth – Secretary

- Discussed ASCA workshops for the Fall and possible dates.
- Discussed organizing a few courses at the school through Sturgeon County – babysitting course, home alone safety.
- Discussed organizing speakers to come in for parent nights to provide information on different subjects. Also, student assemblies with speakers to provide info to the students as well.
- Discussed starting a campaign to advocate for highway safety in front of our school and the high school.
- Engagement Task Force
- Report from Principal
  - Beginning our work around our collaborative classroom. GOALS programming is now called Specialized Programming. We are working on a more integrated model focused on inclusion and creating a space for students to access support in grades 4 to 9.
  - With our surplus funds we were able to purchase new desks, varied seating, wobbly chairs, rockers, rolling desks for staff, fans, document cameras for all classes, C Pens, office furniture, team jersey replacement and our shared project of the video/audio upgrade in the gym (4-6 weeks away)
  - OAK is running with 15 students!
  - Foods lab was redone!
  - Thank you to NSFA and parents for working on our school grounds – planters, outdoor classroom, trees, front garden, and flower bed. All look amazing!
  - Thank you to NSFA for supporting our meet the teacher night! A great way to meet parents and build support.
  - School immunizations are coming for grade 6 and 9 students. They will be on the school calendar
  - Our grade 2 and 3 students are currently doing the new government Student Learning Assessments for math and literacy. These will be complete at the end of the month. Grade 1 will do theirs in January.
  - Students in grades 2 to 9 will be doing the MIPI this month, and students in grades 1 to 4 will be doing the F&P in November and December; grades 5 to 9 are doing their ReadTheory independent comprehension assessments over the next few weeks.
  - We are working through the new curriculum. Teachers are looking at the new outcomes and gradebook requirements
  - All students are purchasing a subsidized school shirt for \$5!
  - Currently developing a plan to spend the current surplus. Items include a portable LOFT board, desks and tables for the new foods lab.

- We are on schedule for a Wi-Fi upgrade, but as it was prepared over summer, our old infrastructure was taken down. We are currently working to resolve those issues

## October 2022

- Contacted ASCA regarding our workshops for the Fall. Workshop: The Work of School Council is scheduled for November 28, 2022, at 6pm in the Learning Common. Will also be in October's school newsletter.
- Have spoken to Sturgeon County and discussed organizing a few courses at the school – babysitting course, home alone safety.
- The Alberta Government has renewed the ASCE grant to each school council in the amount of \$500. Discussed booking speakers, outside workshops etc. or prefer to use the funds for additional ASCA workshops this school year?
- Report from Principal
  - Student SLAs in grades two and three are complete. We are awaiting information on supports to be provided by the government.
  - We have started 180 of Gratitude
  - Capital purchases: New portable LOFT board, tables for foods lab, stools
  - T-shirts for all students and staff have been dispersed. Thanks to Louise for this initiative.
  - Weekly summaries on social media; how are these going over?
  - School tech agreements online. Feedback?
  - Cross country and Terry Fox run complete; won banner for cross country!
  - Gym getting redone mid-November; new lines, completely resurfaced. Need to purchase new volleyball and badminton poles as well as tarps for the floor
  - Café Namao started
  - Gratitude challenge and jersey day last week
  - Awaiting gym screen and audio upgrade
  - Staff blanket exercise on PD Day
  - Booking for PT interviews new this year; looking to simplify for our families. Marks only in gradebook, comments will be finalized by end of November
  - Wrote a grant for technology from Best Buy for laptops, Chromebooks
  - Organizing Halloween – see letter on weekly bulletin. Primary parties, haunted house, elementary and junior high dances with costume contest
  - Assurance plan parent input: Darwin will present

## November 2022

- ASCA Workshop: The Work of School Council was scheduled for November 28, 2022, at 6pm in the Learning Common. Advertised to the school community in the newsletter.
- Chair and Vice Chair attended the COSC meeting on October 25, 2022. 13 schools in our division were in attendance. A lot of discussion about meal programs, fundraising and teacher meals provided on PTI evenings.
- We will be contacting the RCMP Internet Safety division with the hopes they will provide an informative evening at our school in the New Year. Would like to pick at least 2 more informative sessions for next year. Discussed suggestions of: anxiety/mental health, Google classroom, drugs/alcohol/vaping.

- Student Council being formed at our school. NSC would like to invite them to our Council meeting to discuss their ideas and what they are talking about that is important to the students.
  
- Report from Principal
  - o School Assurance plan complete. Mr. Krips provided high level highlights
  - o Many school maintenance projects have been completed: Wi-Fi upgrade complete, new boot room racks in community entrance, gym floor resurfaced, new LED lights in bus loop
  - o PAT results are being emailed out to families; school overall results will be analyzed by staff on December 5 PD Day. Overall results are very good
  - o We are opening a snack shop; details have been messaged out to our families on how to order. Junior High students are working the shop and must apply to be “hired” for the positions
  - o Kalinda Wiebe is taking a group of students to Montreal, Ottawa, and Toronto in May. This is a joint trip with Camilla and is filling quickly
  - o Band and Choir students are playing O Canada at the Oil Kings Game November 30
  - o The book fair was a great success with the library being able to buy \$1000 of new books
  - o Namao is participating in the 2023 Trends in International Mathematics and Science Study (TIMSS). TIMSS is designed to measure and interpret differences in the education systems of different countries to help improve the teaching and learning of mathematics and science in early grades. It is also an important tool to monitor the world class performance of Alberta’s education system. A random sample of schools for the study was drawn, and our school is included in the sample. Grade 4 classes will be involved. The online assessment is scheduled to be administered between April 3 and May 12, 2023. The assessment consists of two testing periods of 36 minutes each, followed by a 30-minute period for a student questionnaire. The test includes multiple-choice and open-response questions on mathematics and science. The study also includes background questionnaires that will be administered to parents/guardians, teachers, and the school principal. These questionnaires are designed to gain insights into key aspects of students’ backgrounds, their learning experiences, and school environments.

#### Counselor’s and Mental Health and Wellness Coach

- o Ms. Detenshen will be starting a school council as part of her work in the Sturgeon Aspiring Leadership Team training program. She will start this late November/ early December after planning and discussion with administration.
- o Ms. Detenshen is starting a Lego club with Ms. Speer.
- o Fun Fridays with Primary – Ms. Detenshen has a group of elementary students who are planning activities to facilitate on Fridays at recess with primary students. This is to encourage leadership. Right now, it is only 3 students, but I anticipate more asking to join.
- o As MHW, Kristen Nichols has implemented Kimochi’s, and Jessica Detenchen has been going into junior high classrooms during health classes and teaching targeted lessons on SEL goals. This month was test anxiety.
- o MHW delivered coffee and breakfast treats to all staff to end parent-teacher conference week

- MHW has started a lightbulb for kindness school-wide activity
- MHW will share their school plan at the December NSC meeting
- MHW are providing monthly highlights/videos on Seven teachings for classrooms

#### Learning Coaches:

- Discussed outcomes for PowerSchool for K-6 for the new curriculum
- Working with a parent to organize "little books" related to mathology, and sharing these resources with K-3 teachers
- Creating dice games for elementary teachers to use to practice math facts, and then sharing how to use and play these games in classrooms (this is the focus for November)
- Creating a numeracy library staff (still a work in progress and focus for November). This will be shared with staff at the December staff meeting.
- Supporting staff with their PGP goals and initiatives, such as: classroom management techniques, learning through games, project-based learning in science, engaging students through new methods of learning (i.e./ this month it was sharing pixel art math activities, next month is winter-themed activities to engage students), helping staff learn how to use and create rubrics, observing each other to see new techniques/strategies, "thin-slicing" math questions, stations in math/literacy, journaling in the ELA classroom. This is ongoing and is a focus for the whole year. This is teacher-specific, and teacher-driven.

#### December 2022 - No Meeting

#### January 2023

- Discussed having ICE coming in to present an Online Safety session for our parents/school community.
- Discussed council meetings being run slightly different. Any new business will be noted at the beginning of each meeting and will be put on the agenda for the next council meeting. Members will only discuss relevant topics on the current agenda.
- Discussed council increasing efforts to reach out to the whole school community via newsletters, surveys, social media, etc. to better communication, share ideas and to appropriately determine goals and objectives.
- Mental Health presentation by counsellor, Jessica Detenshen, and mental health coach, Kristen Nichols.
- Report from Principal
  - grade one staff preparing to administer the GoA SLA assessments for literacy and numeracy. These are due January 30. Information sent out January 9.
  - Student council is being formed with students from grades 6 to 9; awaiting first meeting and plans.
  - primary staff are receiving 3 days of training on new curriculum.
  - TIMSS/PCAP assessments:
    - **The Trends in International Mathematics and Science Study (TIMSS)** is an international assessment that measures trends in mathematics and

science achievement at the equivalent of the Grade 4 and Grade 8/ Secondary II levels. We are participating with grade 4 students.

- TIMSS for grade 4 will occur April 26, 27
  - The [Pan-Canadian Assessment Program \(PCAP\)](#) is a Canadian assessment of the skills and knowledge of Grade 8/Secondary Two (in Quebec) students in reading, mathematics, and science administered in the provinces and territories. We are participating in science.
  - PCAP will occur between April 17 and May 26
- Whole school pancake breakfast was a great success! Look forward to more whole school events supported by NSC and the NSFA.
  - \$500 from NSFA will come to support student nutrition by purchasing fresh fruit, and non-perishable food for our front office for students who have forgotten their lunch or need supplemental food to get through their day. We will purchase from Costco and provide receipts. We need to see how far \$500 will go.
  - Quarterly budget update

### February 2023

- Attended ASCA Workshop – Creating School Council Plans. Would like to focus on a goal of increasing parent & community awareness and engagement with our school and with our school council. To increase awareness of what school council does, it's purpose and activities. – discuss PTI info table
- Have set up a parent information session to be presented by ICE (EPS & RCMP) on March 8<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at our school.
- Discussion regarding a parent question surrounding supervision of lunch time. First aid training?
- Discussion regarding a parent question surrounding elementary recess and gym playing of ball hockey and helmets/cages required?
- Report from Principal
  - Completed the registrations for this year – 99.5%!
  - Beginning to plan for PAT's – exemptions and accommodations have been identified
  - Teacher's conference was excellent, many positive sessions. We saw a positive whole school idea: circus arts artist in residence
  - Proposed to NSC a family math games night
  - Working to finish capital purchases; will purchase tarps for gym, getting a quote for stage lights and a better sea can
  - Exambank information went to junior high families to allow them to exam prep
  - Student advisory had their second meeting Feb 27. Two junior high students represented our school
  - Saffron presentations this week March 1 to 3; information sent home to parents
  - OurSchool survey is complete; now we are working on the Alberta Education Assurance Measures survey is now extended to March 17
  - Fees for next year have been sent to central office
  - Working on preliminary staffing for March 8
  - New boundaries for Namao were announced on February 24. This will have



minimal impact on our catchment area, and many questions are still coming up regarding school of choice

### March 2023

- Thank you to all those that attended the parent information session presented by ICE (EPS & RCMP) on March 8<sup>th</sup>. It was a very informative presentation and chair received a lot of great feedback.
- Will continue to look into and find other parent presentations for other topics of interest as discussed.
- Discussion re: Cell phone policy – What would parents/guardians like to see in our school cell phone policy.
- Presentation by Kristen Nichols re: Buddy Benches and gazebo upgrades.
- Report from Principal
  - o Preliminary staffing proposal was presented at Central Office. We are waiting now to see how the new funding from Alberta Education will impact our planning. We will be given our staffing allotment in April and once that is complete, we will look at class configurations
  - o Transportation funding has changed. We are awaiting information on how this will impact our families
  - o Parent teacher interviews are March 21 and 22. Comments for classes will be available by April 3; we have changed how staff who teach all their core classes create comments. You will find the comment on student achievement and progress with a focus on literacy and numeracy in the home room section of the PowerSchool parent portal
  - o Supply lists are being redone for the fall
  - o We will be dismissing students at 3 PM for the 2023 2024 school year. We will be making slight adjustments to the bell schedule to accommodate this change. Information to follow
  - o We are keeping our 5-day rotational schedule for next year; very successful
  - o We are working with four terms next year and looking at having CTF in elementary next year
  - o We are beginning to plan STEAM options in elementary and junior high
  - o New curriculum is coming for grade 4 to 6. They will start LA and math; 1-3 will be adding science this fall
  - o Will be creating a cell phone policy for our school. We are seeking input from staff and parents

### April 2023 - Adjourned to May

### May 2023

- Chair attended the COSC meeting on March 21<sup>st</sup>. Spoke with many other school council chairs and trustees from other areas. Lots of ideas shared. Jonathan Konrad will be setting up a group email for school council Chairs to connect, share information and collaborate.
- Chair attended an ASCA workshop on Community Engagement on April 17 at Camilla school. Lots of ideas to engage the school community and in giving and receiving advice from parents/guardians and school staff and students.

- NSC organized a Teacher/Staff appreciation event for each day during Teacher Appreciation Week – May 8-12. Posters will be put up around the school and are available on our social media platforms.
- Updated NSC Operating Procedures prepared.

Election of Executive at AGM - Executive Positions as follows:

- Terri-Lynn England – Chair
  - EMPTY – Vice Chair
  - Tricia Forsyth – Secretary
- Report from Principal
    - Completed the TIMSS assessment with grade 4 April 26 with 92% of students present; completed the PCAP assessment with grade 8 April 25 with 100% participation.
    - May 9 volunteer tea
    - Track: Elementary May 12, Junior High May 16
    - PAT Part A grade 9 May 15
    - PAT Part A grade 6 May 17
    - Drama production May 18
    - Primary will be completing their Student Learning Assessments in math and literacy as well as completing their Fountas and Pinnell evaluations this month
    - Discussed the revised device policy. After speaking with parents and staff we will be moving to no cell phones during the school day.
    - Staff are looking to reduce student anxiety and to increase social engagement, on field trips without devices it has been observed students are attentive, calm and making real-life connections. Discussion: TV at lunchtime, is there a plan for more introverted students who prefer to be less social?
    - We are BYOD, so cell phones are not needed through the day
    - Junior high staff are reading Unsocial Media by Wade Sorochan to learn about the negative effects of cell phone use on students – This book can be made available to parents as well.
    - We have a draft options handbook; any feedback? – Any suggestions please contact the school.
    - Mr. Krips and Ms. Loh attended ULead in Banff; this was great PD for us, and we gained many new ideas for school improvement
    - Mr. Krips will be moving to SCHS for the fall as Principal.
    - Staggered start: first two days we are meeting half of our students; will incorporate meet the teacher coffee and donut time at the same time – Suggestions: parent assembly to create an opportunity for parents to familiarize with teachers. School supplies supplier has been shifted to School Start (from Write on Stationary) – School Start allows parents to deliver to school or home and to order supplies throughout the year as needed.

- Daycare: Shifting to before and after school care only. Will be utilizing one room attached to the Hub. Daycare will be shifting to Guthrie School. Namao Preschool is hoping to resume programming.

June 2023 - No Meeting

**Namao School Council**

**Financial Statement**  
**REPORTING PERIOD: September 1, 2022 – May 1, 2023**

<b>ASSETS</b>	Cash-Bank Account	\$0.00
	Common Shares	
	List any other assets	
	<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>INCOME</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>
	<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS:</b>	List disbursements	<b>\$0.00</b>
	<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Profit/Loss</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>

**THIS FINANCIAL STATEMENT HAS BEEN REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY:**

**Name**        **Jaclyn Miller**  
**Position**    **Chair**  
**Date**        **June 11, 2023**

**NOTE: This report is based on funds managed by the School Council, not funds managed by the school Fundraising Committee.**

**Ochre Park**  
**School Council**  
**Year in Review 2022 – 2023**

**Written by: Amanda Striegler**

**Chairperson: Amanda Striegler**

## Ochre Park

### SCHOOL COUNCIL YEAR IN REVIEW

2023 – 2023

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#### September 2022

- Election of Executive
- Student Supply Kits (presented by Lacey Gagne)
  - 39 kits ordered
- Schedule of meetings for 2022-23 (Motion by Rikki Anema) Motion Carried
  - meetings to be in person and take place on the last Tuesday of every month in Library commons
- Halloween: Full Moon Frolic Party- no parent support needed
- Hot lunch Program (Presented by Laurie Hadden)
- Fundraising (Motion by Rikki Anema) motioned Carried to execute Bear Tracks fundraiser
- School Wishlist (Presented by Calvin Anhorn) will be reviewed at Oct 22 meeting
- Parent Society Report (Presented by Rikki Anema)
- Parent Society Financials (Presented by Hinke Therrin)
- Teacher update (Presented by Cindy Goretzen)
- School Trustee Update (Presented by J Pequin)
- Report from Principal (Presented by Calvin Anhorn)

#### October 2022

- Hot Lunch Program Finalized (Motioned by Laurie Hadden) Motion Carried
- Upcoming Events (Presented by Amanda Striegler)
  - Remembrance Day
- School Wishlist (Presented by Calvin Anhorn)
- Fundraising options (Presented by Amanda Striegler)
  - BearTraks details finalized
- Parent Society Report (Presented by Amanda Striegler)
- Presentation by Shawna Warren (superintendent)
- Parent Society Financials (Presented by Lacey Gagne)
- Teacher update (Presented by Cindy Goretzen)
- School Trustee Update (Presented by Janine Pequin)
- Report from Principal (Presented by Calvin Anhorn)

#### November 2022

- Ornaments for Festival of Trees (Motion by Amanda Striegler) Motion Carried
- Christmas Store update (Presented by Amanda Striegler)
- Purchase of New Christmas Tree for Festival of Trees (Motion by Amanda Striegler) Motion Carried
- Hot Lunch Program Updated (Presented by Laurie Hadden)
- School wish list finalized
  - Motion to support teacher supper for parent/teacher interviews (Amanda Striegler) Motion carried
  - Motion to support fieldtrips \$15/student (Amanda Striegler) Motion Carried
  - Motion to purchase new walkie talkies for teachers (Amanda Striegler) Motion Carried
  - Motion to support student of the month T shirts (Amanda Striegler) Motion Carried
  - Christmas Concert (Discussion of Execution parameters (Presented by Calvin Anhorn)
    - Cherise to ask fire department to support with directing traffic & parking

- 10 days of Giving- to start December 6<sup>th</sup> (presented by Kjersti Wytrykush)
- Student Christmas party: Motion to provide hot chocolate and donuts (Laurie Hadden) Motion Carried
- Feedback on draft calendar (Presented by Janine Pequin)
- Smart Photography – Review proposal – Contract to be signed (Presented by Laurie Hadden)
- Parent Society Report (Presented by Amanda Striegler)
- Parent Society Financials (Presented by Lacey Gagne)
- Teacher update (Presented by Cindy Goretzen)
- School Trustee Update (Presented by Janine Pequin)
- Report from Principal (Presented by Calvin Anhorn)

## **December 2022**

*No Meeting as per motion in September.*

## **January 2023**

- Motion to purchased Memory books and sell to school families (Rikki Anema) Motion Carried
- Motion to partner with School Supply Kits for the 2023-2024 school year (Lacey Gagne) Motion carried
- Motion to support bussing for Skating & swimming field trips (Laurie Hadden) Motion carried
- Playground update- form committee to fundraise for new playground equipment (presented by Calvin Anhorn)
- Motion to have Purdys Chocolate fundraiser at Ester (Amanda Striegler) Motion carried
- Events: Valentine’s Day & St Patrick’s Day- in class parties
- Spring Dance- to be led by Patty Moskal
- Motion to Cancel April Meeting as both principle & Vice principle are away (Lacey Gagne) Motion Carried
- Parent Society Report (Presented by Amanda Striegler)
- Parent Society Financials (Presented by Lacey Gagne)
- Teacher update (Presented by Kjersti Wytrykush)
- School Trustee Update (Presented by Janine Pequin)
- Report from Principal (Presented by Calvin Anhorn)

## **February 2023**

- OP 40-year Anniversary- large celebration with be in June (Presented by Calvin Anhorn)
- Snowshoeing will occur Feb 27, March 1- parent volunteers needed (Presented by Calvin Anhorn)
- March 8<sup>th</sup> Winter Play Day- Parent volunteers needed (presented by Calvin Anhorn)
- OP School Code of Conduct Review (Presented by Calvin Anhorn)
- 2023/24 Supply lists Reviewed (presented by Lacey Gagne) we will be partnering with School supply kits
- Changes to bell schedule (presented by Calvin Anhorn)
- Spring photos May 1&2 (presented by Laurie Hadden)
- School Wishlist- outstanding invoices (Presented by Lacey Gagne)
- GR 4 AEM Parent Surveys -Deadline extended to March 17<sup>th</sup> (Presented by Calvin Anhorn)
- Outdoor classroom – looking for plant donations (Kjersti Wytrykush & Linda Hewitt will lead project)
- Presentations by Saffron Centre- Covered by ASCA grant (Motioned by Amanda Striegler) Motion Carried
  - Student presentations (May 23)
  - Parent presentations May 16 & 29)
- Grade 4 intervention update (Presented by Calvin Anhorn)
- Loft Boards: Motion for Parent council to cover the cost of 2 boards (Amanda Striegler) Motion Carried
- Parent Society Report (Presented by Amanda Striegler)
- Parent Society Financials (Presented by Lacey Gagne)
- Teacher update (Presented by Cindy Goretzen)

- School Trustee Update (Presented by Janine Pequin)
- Report from Principal (Presented by Calvin Anhorn)

### **March 2023**

- Purdy's fundraiser update (presented by Lacey Gagne)
- Outdoor Classroom: Contact local business for plant/flower donations (Presented by Amanda)
- Spring dance- April 28<sup>th</sup> (Presented by Rikki Anema) Paty Moskal leading execution
- Drumheller Trip (Presented by Calvin Anhorn) Amanda Striegler to contact local businesses for sponsorship
- School wishlist (presented by Amanda Striegler) all invoices are to date
- Sturgeon Night of Music (April 24<sup>th</sup>)
- Parent Society Report (Presented by Amanda Striegler)
- Parent Society Financials (Presented by Lacey Gagne)
- Teacher update (Presented by Kjersti Wytrykush)
- School Trustee Update (Presented by Janine Pequin)
- Report from Principal (Presented by Calvin Anhorn)

### **April 2023**

*April meeting canceled as per motion in Jan*

### **May 2023**

- School Supply Kits- info. will be posted on social media and shared on year end newsletter (presented by Lacey Gagne)
- Drumheller trip not possible – insufficient sponsorship- funds already raised with go toward grade 3&4 Fort Edmonton Park Field trip (Presented by Amanda Striegler)
- Purdys Fundraiser Update (Presented by Lacey Gagne)
- Grade 4 transition (presented by Calvin Anhorn)
- Motion to execute Ice Melt fundraiser in the fall (Amanda Striegler) Motion Carried
- Outdoor Classroom: additional seeds and plants needed (Amanda Striegler to reach out to local greenhouses)
- Parent Society Report (Presented by Amanda Striegler)
- Parent Society Financials (Presented by Lacey Gagne)
- Teacher update (Presented by Cindy Goretzen)
- School Trustee Update (Presented by Janine Pequin)
- Report from Principal (Presented by Calvin Anhorn)
- September meeting date and time to be decided in September (possibility of having it on the same night as the meeting the community event)

### **June 2023**

*June meeting cancelled as per motion in September*



Name of School  
**School Council - Financial Statement**  
**REPORTING PERIOD: September 1, 2022 – August 31, 2023**

<b>ASSETS</b>	Cash/Bank Account/Common Shares	\$	
	List any other Assets:		
	.	\$	
	.	\$	
	.	\$	
	<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	\$	
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	\$	
<b>INCOME</b>	List Income:		
	.	\$	
	.	\$	
	.	\$	
	<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	\$	
<b>DISBURSEMENTS</b>	List Disbursements:		
	.	\$	
	.	\$	
	.	\$	
	<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>	\$	
<b>PROFIT/LOSS</b>	Bank Balance Sept 1, 2022	\$	
	Withdrawals	\$	
	Deposits	\$	
	Bank Balance August 31, 2023	\$	

**THIS FINANCIAL STATEMENT HAS BEEN REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY:**

<b>Name:</b>	
<b>Position:</b>	
<b>Date:</b>	

Ochre Park School Parent Society  
Balance Sheet  
@ August 31, 2023

ASSETS

Bank Account - General Account	\$ 16,076.91
Bank Account - Casino Account	\$ 19,474.24
Float	\$ 70.00
Outstanding Deposits	\$0.00
Accounts Receivable	\$ -
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 35,621.15</u>

LIABILITIES & RETAINED EARNINGS

Accounts Payable

Total Accounts Payable/Uncleared Chqs	\$ -
Retained Earnings	\$ 35,621.15
TOTAL LIABILITES & RETAINED EARNINGS	<u>\$ 35,621.15</u>

Financial Statement Prepared By: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Financial Statement Reviewed By: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Financial Statement Reviewed By: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Ochre Park School Parent Society  
September 1, 2022 - August 31, 2023

	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	YTD
<b>INCOME</b>													
Purdy's Fundraiser							3,586.10	4,205.00	1,733.45	108.00			\$ 9,632.55
Lions Club - Hot Lunch Program													\$ -
Bank Interest			0.15	0.65	0.70	0.56	0.60	0.54	0.80	0.79	0.68	0.66	\$ 6.13
Bear Tracks		10,800.00											\$ 10,800.00
Babysitting		8.00	16.00		10.00	4.00	4.00		6.00				\$ 48.00
Mabel's Labels		100.11											\$ 100.11
Christmas Store - Gift Income				1,970.45									\$ 1,970.45
Christmas Store - Donations			180.00	200.00									\$ 380.00
Hot Lunch Income			1,427.50	102.25	1,420.35	1,083.00	378.00	798.50	611.50	33.50			\$ 5,854.60
Donations				1.00					1,000.00	320.00			\$ 1,321.00
Christmas Silent Auction				1,160.00									\$ 1,160.00
AGLC Raffle Income				324.00					262.00				\$ 586.00
Memory Book Income										409.00			\$ 409.00
Family Dance Income								130.00	1,278.25				\$ 1,408.25
Casino Income			18,957.88										\$ 18,957.88
Income Subtotal	-	10,908.11	20,581.53	3,758.35	1,431.05	1,087.56	3,968.70	5,134.04	4,892.00	871.29	0.68	0.66	\$ 52,633.97
<b>EXPENSES</b>													
Parent Teacher Meals			368.78					317.25					\$ 686.03
Student of the Month (T-shirts)								414.62					\$ 414.62
AGLC Raffle Expenses									103.30				\$ 103.30
Field Trip - Bussing					2,644.95		287.25						\$ 2,932.20
Field Trip - Admissions													\$ -
Field Trip - Transfer Donations										1,300.00			\$ 1,300.00
Outdoor Classroom Expenses										596.40			\$ 596.40
Playground Repairs													\$ -
Bear Tracks		5,953.50											\$ 5,953.50
Purdy's Chocolates/Expenses							5,040.00	225.00					\$ 5,265.00
Babysitting		25.00	25.00		25.00	25.00	25.00		50.00				\$ 175.00
ASCE Sessions										154.63			\$ 154.63
Christmas - Store Expenses				1,012.79		36.75							\$ 1,049.54
Christmas - Festival of Trees			283.49										\$ 283.49
Volunteer Appreciation				158.00						307.30			\$ 465.30
Stationary/Postage										5.34			\$ 5.34
Memory Book Expense										420.00			\$ 420.00
Party/Event Expenses			75.37	497.51					509.45				\$ 1,082.33
Hot Lunch Expenses			592.09	466.85		1,048.84	163.22	317.87	800.65	1,328.44			\$ 4,717.96
Lions Hot Lunch Expenses			89.66	138.32		148.14	270.66	56.98	132.14	321.57			\$ 1,157.47
Two Way Radios						700.00							\$ 700.00
Expenses Subtotal	-	5,978.50	1,434.39	2,273.47	2,669.95	1,958.73	5,786.13	1,331.72	1,595.54	4,433.68	-	-	\$ 27,462.11
<b>NET INCOME (LOSS)</b>	\$ -	\$ 4,929.61	\$ 19,147.14	\$ 1,484.88	-\$ 1,238.90	-\$ 871.17	-\$ 1,817.43	\$ 3,802.32	\$ 3,296.46	-\$ 3,562.39	\$ 0.68	\$ 0.66	\$ 25,171.86

**Name of School**

**School Council**

**Year in Review 2022 – 2023**

**Written by:**

**Chairperson**

**Enter Name: Stephanie Clark**

**SCHOOL COUNCIL YEAR IN REVIEW**

**2023 – 2023**

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Include a comprehensive summary of each meeting – i.e. Executive elections, COSC, Names/Titles of presentations or reports and name of each presenter (i.e. Principal, PFA, outside organizations).

**September 2022**

- Vote in Stephanie Clark as Chair, Rikki Anema as Vice Chair, Patty Moskal as Secretary
- Vote in room reps
- Approval of minutes
- Approval of agenda
- Report from trustee
- Report from Principal, covid 19 update, budget update
- Report from teacher rep
- Parent society reports
- Parent society meeting to follow

**October 2022**

- Approval of minutes
- Additions to agenda, vote to add room reps to agenda
- Student leadership report
- Report from Principal
- Trustee report
- Teacher rep report
- Parent society
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**November 2022**

- Approval of October minutes
- Approval of October agenda
- Student leadership Trustee report
- Report from Teacher Rep.
- Parent Society reports

**December 2022**

- No meeting

**January 2023**

- Approval of minutes
- Approval of agenda
- Principal report

- Trustee report
- Teacher Rep. report

### **February 2023**

- Approval of minutes
- Approval of agenda
- Principal report
- Trustee report
- Fundraiser update

### **March 2023**

No meeting/ scheduling conflict

### **April 2023**

- Approval of minutes
- Approval of agenda
- Principal report
- Trustee report/budget
- Teacher Rep. report
- Wish list review
- Parent Society
- Fundraising report

### **May 2023**

- Principal report
- Code of Conduct update
- Trustee report
- No Parent Society present

### **June 2023**

No meeting

Name of School

Redwater School

**School Council - Financial Statement**

**REPORTING PERIOD: September 1, 2022 – August 31, 2023**

I as chair do not have the information to fill out this financial report unfortunately.

<b>ASSETS</b>	Cash/Bank Account/Common Shares	\$	
	List any other Assets:		
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	<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	\$	
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	.	\$	
	<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	\$	
<b>DISBURSEMENTS</b>	List Disbursements:		
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	.	\$	
	<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>	\$	
<b>PROFIT/LOSS</b>	Bank Balance Sept 1, 2022	\$	
	Withdrawals	\$	
	Deposits	\$	
	Bank Balance August 31, 2023	\$	

**THIS FINANCIAL STATEMENT HAS BEEN REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY:**

<b>Name:</b>	
<b>Position:</b>	
<b>Date:</b>	

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**SPVA, Morinville, and Sturgeon Learning Centres**

**School Council**

**Year in Review 2022 – 2023**

**Written by:**

**Chairperson**

**Enter Name:**

**Roza Parlin**

## SPVA, Morinville, and Sturgeon Learning Centres

### SCHOOL COUNCIL YEAR IN REVIEW

2022 – 2023

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#### **September 2022**

Election of Executive - The Principal reviewed the School Council Positions and duties and ask for nominations. Roza Parlin volunteered to serve as Chair and was elected. Amber Poliquin volunteered for Secretary and was elected.

Trustee Report - Stacey Buga provided the trustee report.

Principal Report – Christy Filgate provided the report which include new location for SPVA and SLC along with student enrollment update. Flex Friday initiative for the virtual academy was discussed as well as upcoming events, activities and the enclosed VR Training Center.

#### **October 2022**

Trustee Report - Tasha Oatway-Mclay provided the update to council.

Principal Report – Christy Filgate provided the report which included military base connection update along with field trips and flex Friday activities.

Education Plan/PD Plan – Christy Filgate reviewed the Education/PD plan which has a primary focus on literacy across all subject areas.

School Council PD Opportunity – Roza Parlin provided information on the PD opportunity that we can take part in and that we must submit the grant form by Oct 31. Parents in attendance asked if they cold have until Oct 24 to submit their suggestions to Christy Filgate

#### **November 2022**

Special Guest - Jonathan Konrad was in attendance and introduced himself.

Trustee Report - Tasha Oatway-Mclay provided the update to council.

Principal Report – Christy Filgate provided the report which included information on three new clubs that are available for students as well as discussion on building volunteer opportunities for students in Gibbons. This month’s field trip was also discussed.

Mental Health and Wellness Plan – Christy Filgate advised the Mental Health and Wellness Plan for SPVA and the Learning Centres are posted on the website. This plan speaks to Tier 1, 2 and 3 supports for students.

School Council PD Opportunities – Christy Filgate and Roza Parlin spoke about the PD Opportunity discussed last month. The application was submitted. Looking at sessions in Jan and Feb 2023.

### **December 2022**

Trustee Report - Stacey Buga provided the update to council.

Principal Report – Christy Filgate provided the report which included a summary of the Value Scoping Project she took part in. A volunteerism update was provided. Flex Friday activity was discussed as well as work Christy Filgate will be doing to update the website.

School Council PD Opportunities– Roza Parlin provided an update on the PD opportunities. Two sessions were decided on – Apr 4 – School Council Purpose and May 4 School Council Operation Procedures. Christy Filgate will provide School Council Members with the links for the training.

### **January 2023**

Trustee Report - Stacey Buga provided the update to council.

Principal Report – Christy Filgate provided the report which included a summary of grant funding and laptop purchases. A volunteerism update was provided. Flex Friday activity was discussed as well as the diploma exam designated writing Centre.

School Council PD Opportunities – Christy Filgate advised the registration for the PD sessions is in process.

### **February 2023**

Trustee Report - Stacey Buga provided the update to council.

Principal Report – Christy Filgate provided the report which included details of off campus programming, volunteerism update and 2023/2024 registration.

### **March 2023**

Trustee Report - -Stacey Buga provided the update to council.

Principal Report – Christy Filgate provided the report which included Pink Shirt Day activities as well as Flex Friday update and the feedback received from parents and students regarding this initiative. Update was provided on the new LMS presentations. Christy Filgate advised of her new position.

School Council PD Opportunities – Christy Filgate advised the two sessions have been registered and she will send out the links to parents closer to the session.

Hot Lunch – Open discussion was held around possible hot lunch program options.

### **April 2023**

Trustee Report - -Stacey Buga provided the update to council.

Principal Report – Christy Filgate provided the report which included discussion on draft Student Code of Conduct, Flex Friday update and information on the new Principal for next year.

School Council PD Opportunities – Roza Parlin and Christy Filgate provided feedback from the April 5, School Council Purpose Session they attended.

### **May 2023**

Trustee Report - -Stacey Buga provided the update to council.

Principal Report – Christy Filgate provided the report which included the completion of Student Code of Conduct document, Flex Friday update, and STEAM academy update.

School Council PD Opportunities – Christy Filgate advised due to a scheduling conflict with the facilitator the session was postponed until May 30, 2023. Roza Parlin attended the May 30, 2023, School Council Operating Procedure PD session and due to no other attendees, the session was postponed until fall 2023.

**June 2023**

No School Council Meeting was held.

**Sturgeon Composite High School**

**School Council**

**Year in Review 2022 - 2023**

**Written by:**

**Chairperson**

**Enter Name:**

**Nicole Roe**

## **Sturgeon Composite High School**

### **SCHOOL COUNCIL YEAR IN REVIEW**

**2022- 2023**

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#### **September 2022**

- Election of Executive- Chair: Nicole Roe, Vice Chair: Cheri Speer, Secretary: vacant
- Principal Report- SCHS Professional Learning Plan 2022-2023 presentation, focus on social-emotional learning and academics
- Open House/Meet the Staff Event- September 20, 2022
- Upcoming Events- Grad Parent Meeting September 22nd, Stand For Education Rally October 22nd
- Report from Trustee- School Councils are receiving \$500 ASCE grant for this year, total to spend with last years' carryover \$928.57, information presented on CASA pilot program
- PIA Report- President- Bonnie Borle, Vice President- vacant, Secretary- vacant, Grant Chair- vacant, Directors at Large- Amber Spiker and Nicole Roe, balance \$4095.46, Nicole Roe and Cheri Speer to sign off on last year's financial statement, casino date June 2023, fundraisers for the year: gift cards, ice melt, and raffle

#### **October 2022**

- Enrollment update from Principal: 805 students
- Upcoming Events- COSC meeting October 25, 2022, Parent-Teacher Interviews November 2nd, 3rd, Saffron Centre presentations to students regarding sexual assault and consent, October 21- Children's Mental Health Advocacy Conference
- Report from Principal- school sports and clubs underway, sport tournaments have been well attended and successful, Math Challenge is underway with 20 students taking part, teacher mentoring has begun to support new teachers, Orange Fountain will be in the school creating a promotional video highlighting academics, sports, music, arts, and the trades program, possible cafeteria opening, looking into details
- Report from Trustee- Transportation department is running a deficit and will look at cost saving measures, parents are encouraged to contact trustees at any time with questions or feedback
- PIA Report- Vice President- Angela Kraty, Secretary- Kristi Morkin, financials from last school year have been signed off on, balance \$2384.86

## November 2022

- Information from Council of School Council's Meeting- looking at options to spend ASCE grant funds
- Remembrance Day Ceremony- student lead and very successful
- Upcoming Events- Awards ceremony November 24
- Report from Principal- cafeteria survey sent out to parents, final exam schedule released
- Report from Trustee- SPS Draft Calendar released 2023- 2024, Student Advisory Committee Meeting upcoming
- PIA Report- signing authority has been changed at the bank, paid for insurance, gift card fundraiser has begun

## December 2022

- Upcoming Events- Grad fundraiser, Wellness Events: 12 Days of Christmas, SRO/ First Responders Dodgeball tournament
- No School Council/ PIA meetings

## January 2023

- SCHS Comprehensive Counselling and Wellness Plan review
- Upcoming Events- semester break
- PFA Report
- Report from Principal- Tara Draper acting principal, cafeteria is accepting bids, Power School will be down for marks to be inputted
- Report from Trustee- school presentations complete, Trustee Talk is available online, Division Newsletter is available, please sign up to receive it, Policy Review- SPS Effective Communication, Inclement Weather, CASA program update, HYPE program introduction
- PIA Report- Balance \$3 124.58, planning raffle in March in support of Grad 2023

## February 2023

- Discussion- ASCA Board Vision Path 2022-2023 Indigenous Awareness- meetings will continue to be opened with a land acknowledgement to follow the board's vision
- Upcoming Events- grad parent meeting, parent teacher interviews March 21 and 22
- Report from Principal- welcome back Sherri!, a vendor was chosen for the cafeteria- Spirits Grill will open for Grade 9 orientation March 8th, Student Advisory Committee is planning fun activities and helping to plan Sturgeon Strides, Sturgeon Night of Music and Fine Arts planning underway, staffing changes announced

- Report from Trustee- Annual Parent Survey results posted online, online student registration deadline is March 17, Minister's Youth Council is accepting applications, Policy review- Policy 130 Whistleblower Policy
- PIA Report- balance \$1 339.86

### March 2023

- Upcoming Events- Council of School Council Meeting March 21st, Nicole and Cheri unable to attend due to work commitments, Nicole will send a report
- No School Council or PIA Meeting this month due to conflicts with Council of School Council meeting and Parent Teacher Interviews

### April 2023

- Upcoming Events- Grant Writing Webinar April 13, An Evening for Parents- Supporting Your Child in BEing Solid April 13- Nicole to attend, AHS Rehabilitation Intake Line, Europe Trip 2023 Information Night April 14
- Report from Principal- current enrollment 840 students, for September 2023 870 students, staffing updates, STEM and Film Studies options, Computing Science, FLA 10 and Études Sociales 10 offered Fall 2023, Student Success Centre is being planned and will operate beside the Student Learning Commons, Mr. Valliere is planning, Rugby teams planning Ireland trip 2024, Grad 2024 survey was sent out to Grade 11 families asking for preference of venue and date.
- Report from Trustee- - 3 Year Capital Plan- Priorities: Gibbons School Solution École Morinville Public School Solution Sturgeon Heights School Model - Congratulations to Chelsea Critchley Grade 6 teacher Four Winds Public School on her nomination for Edwin Parr Award honouring exceptional first year teachers.-Council of School Council Meeting follow-up: email list compiled, breakfast funding accessed by BACS and Ochre Park Schools, enhanced lunch funding École Morinville Public School- Policy 900 reviewed- Student Conduct re: personal devices- personal communication devices- each school will develop their own plan to address policy- articulate to parents and students in code of conduct
- PIA Report- 50/50 raffle profit was \$2946.66 which will help offset cost of Grad 2023, closing balance \$5743.11, casino dates June 30 and July 1st looking for volunteers, look into changing banks for ease of transactions, close the accounts at Servus Credit Union and open two new accounts at ATB Financial, one chequing and one casino, look at the possibility of running Fundscrip gift card fundraiser all year

### May 2023

- Review 2023 ASCA AGM Resolutions Result
- Upcoming Events- White Hatter Presentation for Parents- May 24th- VOD Digital Literacy and Internet Safety for Parents and Caregivers (ASCE grant), Sturgeon Strides



- Presentation from John Valliere- Indigenous Success Coach- summary of year events, updates for next school year, focus is building relationships with students and families, making families feel welcome in the school environment
- Principal Report- Review of PD Plan that was presented at the beginning of the school year, highlighted staff learning and engagement activities, Grad update, Sept. 2023 registrations 890 students, cafeteria plans for next year, welcome back week activities are being planned, possible welcome back breakfast for Grade 10s
- Trustee Report- new trustee handbook is now posted on SPS website, 2023 Education Planning Assurance, Review of Policy 110 Celebrating Student and Staff Cultures, Policy 221- Effective Communication, Transportation update, Board elections update
- Elections 2023/24 School Year- Chairperson- vacant

Vice Chairperson- Angela Kraty

Secretary- vacant

- PIA closing balance \$5743.11, Nicole Roe and one other appointee to audit financial statement, Kathleen Cook will send out when complete for signatures

Elections for 2023/24 School Year- all positions vacant, Nicole will contact SPS School Councils to let parents know we are looking to have positions filled for Sept., email Grade 9 students to let them know positions need to be filled.

### **June 2023**

- Upcoming Events- June 16th- Family Night Pioneer Trail North Foundation partnership with BACS (ASCE grant), Grade 2023 June 24, September 27th SAFFRON presentation- Foundations of Connections, 6:30pm SCHS (ASCE grant)
- No School Council or PIA Meeting this month

**Sturgeon Heights School**  
**School Council**  
**Year in Review 2022 – 2023**

**Written by:**

**Chairperson**

**Enter Name:**

**Sara Townsend**

**Sturgeon Heights School**  
**SCHOOL COUNCIL YEAR IN REVIEW**  
**2023 – 2023**

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**September 2022**

Election of Executive:

Chair: Sara Townsend

Vice Chair: Stephanie Cordova

Secretary: Mary Darling

Kindergarten Rep: Sarah Klesko

Primary Rep: Krista Samis

Elementary Rep: Lisa Rosales

Jr High Rep: Anne Beaupre

**Administrative Report (Aaron Chute)**

- Start of year update
- Student count
- Staffing update
- School Maintenance

**Trustee Report (Trish Murray-Elliot)**

- Welcome back, check our Sturgeon School Division social media
- School grounds update re: summer upkeep
- ASCA update on funds
- Mental Health Pilot details for 4 Winds & Sturgeon Comp.

**SHS Fundraising Association (Crystal Belanger)**

- Election to happen at meeting

**Teacher Report (Shayla McRitchie)**

- Great start to the year
- Terry Fox details
- Truth and Reconciliation details

**Other Business**

- Motion to approve bylaw updates

**October 2022**

**Special Guest: Shawna Warren, Sturgeon Public Schools Superintendent**

- Attending the meeting to personally introduce herself
- Began her career in education in 1992. Worked as a teacher with Sturgeon Public Schools starting in 2007.
- She welcomes parents to reach out to her

**Administrative Report (Aaron Chute)**

- Adriana Deluca will be acting VP
- Used book fair update
- City will be coming to monitor morning traffic (safety)
- Truth & Reconciliation week debrief

- Parent Teacher Interviews will be in person
- Fall Break

#### **Trustee Report (Trish Murray-Elliot)**

- Lagoon Litigation Update
- Funding for dual credits for High School & Post-secondary (NAIT)
- Transportation is a priority to the Board and they are looking closely at the challenge

#### **Parent (Lisa Budney)**

- Shared Transportation concerns

#### **SHS Fundraising Association (Alice Funk)**

- Ice melt sales are complete, Purdy's is still open

#### **Teacher Report (Shayla McRitchie)**

- Recognized how much extra the Sturgeon heights teachers do for their students, from running club, to the athletics program and the knitting club to name a few.

#### **Other Business**

- ASCE Grant Information
- COSC discussion for October 25<sup>th</sup> meeting

#### **November 2022**

##### **Administrative Report (Aaron Chute)**

- Parent Teacher Interview debrief
- Fall Break was needed due to illness
- Winter Concert Details
- Festive Lunch Details

##### **Trustee Report (Trish Murray-Elliot)**

- COSC debrief
- ASCE Grant follow up
- Draft School Calendar 2024/2025
- Value Scoping meeting reminder/ update
- Student Advisory Meeting Update

##### **SHS Fundraising Association (Alice Funk)**

- Purdy's & Ice Melt updates
- Fundraising goals for the year

##### **Teacher Report (Shayla McRitchie)**

- School wide food bank collection planned
- Reading incentive program has begun
- Frosty Formal is in the works

#### **Other Business**

- Update from Stephanie Cordova on COSC

#### **December 2022**

**no meetings**

#### **January 2023**

##### **Administrative Report (Aaron Chute)**

- Student illness reminders
- Winter Concert Debrief
- Festive Lunch Debrief
- Sturgeon Composite came to talk to Grade 9 Students

- Budget Update
- STEAM & Academy program planning for 2023/2024 The school is trying to find a way to give the students the opportunity to find their niche, feel a sense of belonging and community while still being able to explore and try new things.
- OAK programming to expand to Outdoor learning for Primary grades, parent input requested

#### **Trustee Report (Trish Murray-Elliot)**

- Trustee Talks is available monthly on Division and School Website. This month includes a reminder of Council of School Councils scheduled for March 21/23 at EMPS in Morinville. As requested it will be more of an informal sharing of ideas. Request for suggestions for topics that school councils would like to see discussed. Would Sturgeon Heights like to offer to host in the future?
- Division Newsletter, first issue out last month, have to subscribe to receive. Follow social media and school sites.
- Reminder of Division Communications, Board Policy 221 and Appendix A Flowchart, available on Division website.
- Change to Transportation Services for 2023 / 2024 School Year. Letter sent to families Dec. 21/22. Will mostly affect towns such as Morinville, Gibbons, Redwater. An application process will be effective this spring and implemented
- How division schools can share info with other schools when they are holding ICE or Saffron presentations for parents as these programs are found to be very beneficial and it appears there would be interest in attending

#### **SHS Fundraising Association (Alice Funk)**

- Exploring future fundraising ideas

#### **Teacher Report (Shayla McRitchie)**

- 100th day of school has happened
- Ski trip is being planned

#### **Other Business**

- Stephanie Cordova and Sara Townsend have reached out to Danielle Reed to offer workshop for parents on Values & Connections. Dates will be selected and communicated

### **February 2023**

#### **Administrative Report (Aaron Chute)**

- Thank you to the staff (Adriana and Shayla) and volunteers for pulling off the very successful and well received Frosty Formal Dance.
- Kinder open house was a great success with approximately 40 attendees. There was a lot of excitement and curiosity around SHS's model of open air kindergarten.
- New Jr. High Teacher named Jordan Zadunayski. Her role will be to support the split classes, teach math, LA, PE and options
- Thank you to volunteers for the pancake lunch. Positive feedback from the teachers.
- March 9, The Gr 9s will head to Sturgeon Composite High School (SCHS). They are showing the grade 9s the programming and options that SCHS has to offer our students.
- Parent teacher interviews are coming up on March 21 and 22nd, in person again.
- Energy drinks like monster are becoming more frequent in the school. They contain high sugar and high caffeine content. It's a slippery slope of what kinds of harmful substances are allowed in the school. Asked for input. Everybody spoke about comparing to Starbucks or Iced Capps, having a visual of the sugar content per drink displayed in the school to teach children of the harmful sugar levels in different drinks. It was a very educational discussion for all.

- Planning for 2023/2024 is well underway. SHS got 2nd in the division for the number of registrations by the early deadline.
- Grades 1-3 will see more outdoor learning in 2023/2024. The minimum number of minutes each grade will have outside will be 20 minutes. This learning is not recess, its curricular learning with academic objectives in numeracy, literacy, art and science. The kinder teachers are already leading the charge teaching our current primary teachers. There is some trepidation and excitement from teachers.
- Because of the last point, SHS is expanding their outdoor learning spaces. They have started talking to maintenance and Junior Forest Wardens to clear out the other forest by the parking lot. There will be a new cross walk/side walk, fencing, another classroom and better storage for kits and resources for the teachers.
- SHS is changing the Jr. High teaching model. Targeting more of a humanities and science/math stream. Kids struggle to know 4 different teaching styles. They would have 1 teacher that teaches them multiple subjects, similar to primary and elementary.
- SHS will have more academies next year as well to ensure student identity and connection. Every student will be an academy. Two afternoons per week and then 2 additional afternoons that week those kids will have options for variety.
- SPORTS/REC (will get a new name - currently undecided)
- STEAM (Science, technology, engineering, arts, math)
- FINE ARTS (dance, music, art etc)
- STUDENT INQUIRY (explore their own passions)
- Grades 5&6 will still have 1 option per term

#### **Trustee Report (Trish Murray-Elliot)**

- Annual education Results Report (AERR) are now posted on Division Website. There was a delay due to a breach in security on some Provincial Achievement Tests.
- There have been some changes to Policy 130 – Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower Protection) as part of the Division’s review of policies. The existing Policy 130 was forwarded to the Office of the Public Interest Commissioner for review and recommendations. Policy 130 was revised and approved by the Board at the January 25 Public Board Meeting. It can be viewed on the Division website.
- Reminder of spring Council of School Councils meeting, March 21, 2023, 6:30 p.m. in Morinville.
- 2023/2024 Registration is now open and available through PowerSchool SIS Parent Portal.
- 2023/2024 Attendance Area changes, approved at Feb. 22 Public Board Meeting. Allows for creation of Legal Attendance Area for Pre-K to Grade 4 and changes to current attendance areas, including Sturgeon Heights.
- Education Minister is looking for students in junior or senior high to apply to the Minister’s Youth Council
- Posting for Division Audit Committee, if any interest in submitting application or please spread the word, need two members of the public to join three Trustees. Committee is responsible for recommending external auditor, reviewing annual financial statements and reporting to the Board. Qualifications are: ideally financial experience and / or professional accounting designation, be independent to the school division and have no financial or personal interest with the MNP audit firm.

#### **SHS Fundraising Association (Alice Funk)**

- Hot lunches in January was Boston Pizza
- Hot lunches for February include popcorn, hot dogs and McDonald's' (Total profit of \$1531.89)
- Hot lunches for March include Popcorn, Nitza and a hamburger day
- Recent fundraisers/events put on by SHSFA were the dance and the pancake lunch

#### **Teacher Report (Shayla McRitchie)**

- Lots of field trips, band, ukelele teaching.

- And the Bonhomme Carnival was enjoyed by all grades k-9. It was a great event, perfect weather

### **Other Business**

- ASCA grant money. School is hosting parent evening with Danielle Reed - Raising kids...on March 7th from 6:30- 8:00 PM. Flyer is going out tomorrow to school parents via email. There will be a childcare option.
- Internet safety meeting in April.

### **March 2023**

**Presentation by Special Guest Lauren Walker**, Marketing & Communications Manager for Sturgeon School Division.

#### **Administrative Report (Aaron Chute)**

- Update & Discussion about the Hold & Secure Incident on March 15<sup>th</sup>, All comments and concerns have been heard, Aaron thanked everyone for the feedback and is taking it all into consideration for future. Ultimately everyone's priority is the safety of all the students and every decision is made with their best interest in mind.
- New Bus added and will be operational starting April 3rd.
- Parent/ Teacher Interviews March 21/22 with a Book Fair.
- April 20th Full School Open House from 5pm - 7pm
- Survey to Parents of younger students. Is there a demand for 1/2 day 5 day a week kindergarten?

#### **Trustee Report (Trish Murray-Elliot)**

- Survey is out from Division to parents, responses from all of our stakeholders are much appreciated. Survey available until March 31.
- Upcoming Public Board Meeting March 22 at 9:00 a.m. All welcome to join in person or virtually. Will be discussing Three-year Capital Plan.
- Alberta budget is out, Division is reviewing funding manual to look at what it means for our schools and start preparing the budget for the 2023/2024 school year.
- Since the last meeting, the two positions for external audit committee members have been filled.

### **Other Business**

- Danielle Reed Workshop was great. Well attended and positive feedback
- April there is an Internet Safety session for parents
- A poll will be sent to see what resources are of interest to parents for September.
- Many positions will be available on both SHFA and SHSC for the upcoming year.

### **April 2023**

#### **Administrative Report (Kerri Trombley)**

- Open House April 20th 5-7pm.
- Spring Photos have been scheduled for end of April
- May 24th Track & Field Day
- Grade 9 Farewell June 9th

#### **Trustee Report (Trish Murray-Elliot)**

- 2024-2025 School Year Calendar was approved at March Public Board Meeting.
- Parent Feedback Survey closed at end of March, Board is looking forward to seeing results.
- Three-year capital plan submitted to Alberta Education with top three priorities:
- Answers to questions arising from COSC meeting in March:
- ASCA 2023 AGM and Conference deadline for registration was April 14. Info sent to Chairs/Vice Chairs.
- COSC Email List will be shared with School Council Chairs and Vice Chairs once created.

- Question of old modulars at Redwater spreading mold – modulars are monitored regularly by Facilities Dept. and Redwater modulars have been sealed off from rest of building.
- Update of Policy 900 Student Conduct and Discipline to include:  
Personal Communication Devices
- The Board recognizes that there is an appropriate educational purpose for the use of technology in the classroom provided that it is used to achieve the learner outcomes in the Alberta Programs of Study and allows students to participate in learner activities chosen by the teacher.
- Each school shall develop a plan for safe and effective use of a Personal Communication Device (PCD) while in class or at school and articulate this plan in the Code of Student Conduct.
- Election Readiness: Sturgeon Public’s Top Issues:
- Public Education: government’s “Choice in Education” creating two-tier system and Aging Infrastructure: many older schools having to defer maintenance year after year.

### **SHS Fundraising Association (Alice Funk)**

- Consideration of how many and what fundraiser they do
- The hot lunch program is a great fundraiser that really fills the bank account.

### **Teacher Report (Shayla McRitchie)**

- Parent Teacher interviews were a success
- The Art Auction Fundraiser raised \$1,000 + to go towards art supplies
- Grade 6 is included in the Rugby team this year

### **Other Business**

- Sara T attended the Council of School Council Meeting in March
- It was such a great meeting, with collaboration with like-minded parents from other schools
- Goal of the meeting is to collaborate and find ways to work together and reduce duplication. (IE.)  
Share parent education sessions, opening them up to parents of multiple schools
- Many positions will be available on both SHFA and SHSC for the upcoming year.

## **May 2023**

### **Administrative Report (Aaron Chute)**

- Teacher Appreciation week: the staff felt the love and appreciation all week, each of the 5 days were incredible.
- Open House April 20th was a huge success, 350+ people came through the school doors, many non-school families in attendance, culture was an important question that was brought up by many families in attendance.
- North Forest - 60 volunteers with the Junior Forest Wardens cleaned up and created a path through the north forest. There are now 2 school forests for learning
- Sturgeon Night of Music and Fine Arts – so amazing, if you didn’t go make sure you do next year.
- Student class requests for the next school year to go to Aaron, in an email. It’s not guaranteed. Class lists will be available at the end of August.
- Volunteer Tea June 6th
- Question on A/C - Aaron will look into getting that back in the classrooms
- Questions Landscaping out back door from portables. Gets very muddy and slippery - Aaron will address the issue.

### **Trustee Report (Trish Murray-Elliot)**

- New Trustee Handbook developed that outlines beliefs, policies and practices related to Board Governance. In the spirit of transparency and accountability, it has been shared on the Division website.



- 2023 Education Planning Assurance Report was presented to the Board, which outlines the various ways the Division is ensuring that: Students demonstrate strong achievement, engage critically and continuously progress as learners. Teachers and principals demonstrate all dimensions of the Teaching and Leadership Quality Standard in a collaborative culture. All students belong and learn in an environment that supports their needs
- Reviewed three policies, updated Policy 110 to address the importance of celebrating student and staff cultures and collaborating with community and cultural leaders to build connections to these cultures.
- Sturgeon Night of Music and Fine Arts Update
- Transportation Fees
- Election topics, if you get the opportunity to speak to candidates:
- Public Education – how “Choice in Education” is creating a system separating the haves and the have nots. Public School Divisions are the ONLY divisions that accept ALL resident students. The increase in the number of charter school means fragmenting of educational funding even further.
- Aging Infrastructure – Division has approximately \$58 Million in deferred maintenance. Our schools are older but still in good shape. It would be helpful to get some extra funding every year to cover larger projects such as roofs.

#### **SHS Fundraising Association (Alice Funk)**

- Track & Field Day coming up
- Bend a Rule Day \$2,700.00. Quick & Easy

#### **Teacher Report (Shayla McRitchie)**

- Track & Field May 24th, Field Day June 16th for the younger grades
- Junior High Exams

#### **Other Business**

- Childcare for the council meetings starting in Sept 2023. The SHFA will hire junior high students to babysit so that more parents can attend the meetings.
- Many positions will be available on both SHFA and SHSC for the upcoming year.
- AGM will be Sept 18th with childcare, snacks

### **June 2023**

#### **Administrative Report (Aaron Chute)**

- Track & Field Days Debrief
- June Field Trips - Next year there will be an emphasis to spread them out throughout the year
- No junior high field trips June
- Heritage Food Fest was so much fun with a big learning curve for everyone, lots of real life learnings
- Pride Week was great. Diversity and Inclusion is a huge priority for the school and this was the focus for the week
- Volunteer Tea - thank you for attending. It is always so good to have an opportunity for students to perform.
- Final Exams grades 6 - 9 are in full force from June 20 - 28th
- June 28th 9:30am School rewards celebration
- Indigenous Month - many activities throughout the month took place, not just on 1 day.
- 23/24 Staff list has been emailed out
- Back to school will follow the division and be staggered entry
- Half the school on the Aug 31st and the other half on Sept 01st
- Welcome back BBQ scheduled for Wednesday August 30th, to drop school supplies, meet the teacher and see friends
- Presentation: Outdoor Amphitheatre project

#### **Trustee Report (Trish Murray-Elliot)**

- Board Advocacy Committee met with its Student Advocacy Group three times over school year. Students from different junior high and high schools discussed experiences with activities, fundraisers or events from their schools, as well as concerns and issues, and shared what worked, what didn't work, what they would like to see.
- SCHS School Council is looking for members, already had AGM, many positions open, first meeting Sept. 19/23.
- High School Fundraising Casino in St Albert, June 30 and July 1, need volunteers if anyone is interested.
- ABSA Honoring Spirit: Indigenous Student Awards – two SPS students were recognized with Honorable Mention, Sturgeon Public Virtual Academy Grade 8 student Sierra Balkwill and SCHS Grade 12 student Tristan Poitras. Congratulations to both!
- Budget for 2023-2024 was approved in May. Budget report is available on Division website. Letter from Superintendent was sent to families outlining priorities for funding allocation, Reserve Mitigation Strategy to access transitional funding, and concerns over deferred maintenance of \$58 M.
- Three Year Education Plan 2023-2026, approved and posted to Division website. Outlines key priorities, outcomes and strategies in the following: Student Growth and Achievement, Teaching and Learning, Learning Supports, Governance and Local and Societal Context.
- Stakeholder Feedback has been compiled and analyzed, resulting in the Engagement Report Responses and the Engagement Summary Report, both of which are posted to Division website. Thanks to everyone that participated in the survey.
- Congratulations to Constable Simon Lajoie, School Resource Officer at SCHS, for receiving award for Building Blocks of the Community. This award recognizes individuals who have made significant contribution to growth of youth in Sturgeon County. Mr. Lajoie was nominated by students.
- 2023-2024 Council of School Council Meeting dates: Wednesday November 15, 2023 and Thursday, March 7, 2024.

#### **SHS Fundraising Association (Alice Funk)**

- Great year. Detailed updates the SHFA meeting directly after this meeting

#### **Teacher Report (Shayla McRitchie)**

- Primary went to Jubilations - it was amazing
- Track & Field May 24th, Field Day June 16th for the younger grades

#### **Other Business**

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**Sturgeon Heights School**  
**School Council - Financial Statement**  
**REPORTING PERIOD: September 1, 2022 – August 31, 2023**

<b>ASSETS</b>	Cash/Bank Account/Common Shares	\$ 0
	List any other Assets:	
	.	\$
	.	\$
	.	\$
	<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>
<b>INCOME</b>	List Income:	
	.	\$
	.	\$
	.	\$
	<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS</b>	List Disbursements:	
	.	\$
	.	\$
	.	\$
	<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>
<b>PROFIT/LOSS</b>	Bank Balance Sept 1, 2022	\$ 0
	Withdrawals	\$ 0
	Deposits	\$ 0
	Bank Balance August 31, 2023	\$ 0

**THIS FINANCIAL STATEMENT HAS BEEN REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY:**

<b>Name:</b>	Sara Townsend
<b>Position:</b>	Chair
<b>Date:</b>	June 26, 2023

**NOTE: This report is based on funds managed by the School Council, not funds managed by the school Fundraising Society.**