District School Council

Monday, October 5, 2015 - 6:30 p.m. Education Centre

AGENDA

6.30  1. Welcome and Introductions
      Mixer Activity

6:35  2. Additions to the Agenda

6:36  3. Approval of the Agenda

6:37  4. Approval of the Minutes from June, 2015

6:40  5. Business Arising from the Minutes
      Review outcomes of the strategic planning session (see attached summary)
      Brainstorm: District School Council Guidelines: Review
      Topics for Professional Learning

6:55  6. Elections for District School Council – Chair, Vice Chair, Recording Secretary,
      Committee representatives

7:00  7. Trustee Report (attached) – Keith Fowler

7:05  8. Alberta School Councils Association - Allison Pike
      Formation of a Resolution Committee

7:10  9. Presentation/ Workshop for all School Councils – October 15 Alberta School
      Councils Association: Effective School Councils  
      Location: Education Centre

7:10 10. Request for representation on district Committees:

   District Policy Advisory Committee:
   Meetings occur from 12:15 to 3:00 pm on the following dates:
   October 15, November 5, January 7, February 11, March 18, and April 15

   Poverty Intervention Committee:
   First meeting: October 21 (1:15 p.m.)

   Healthy Schools Committee – dates/times TBD.

   Digital Citizenship Committee:
   First meeting: Tuesday, October 21 (8:00 a.m.)
SAPDC (Southern Alberta Professional Development Consortium) – dates/times TBD

Making Connections - 2 meetings / year

7:15  11. District School Council Calendar of Events and Shared Opportunities Superintendent’s

7:18  12. Report – Cheryl Gilmore

- 2016 Excellence in Teaching Nominations
- Class Size and Enrollment
- School Web Page Scavenger Hunt
- Support for School Councils

7:25  13. Roundtable Reports
Reports are included with the agenda: an opportunity to highlight a very significant event or for questions from the representatives about information in a written report

7:40  14. Adjournment

District School Council Meeting Dates
December 7, 2015
January 11, 2016
February 2, 2016 – Town Hall
March 7, 2016
April 4, 2016
May 2, 2016
June 6, 2016 – Dinner meeting

2014-2015 District School Council Representatives

- Chair – Mary Kay
- Vice Chair – Shanae Nilsson
- Recording Secretary – Dayna Tilleman, Jana Palmer (alternate)
- Policy Advisory Committee – Brooke Culley, Allison Pike (alternate)
- Poverty Intervention Committee – Dayna Tilleman, Heather Paul
- Healthy Schools Committee – Raila Duda, Melissa Maret
- Digital Citizenship Committee – Hollie Tarasewich, Sahil Paul (alternate)
- SAPDC – Mary Kay, Karen McKinstry (alternate)

2015-2016 District School Council Representatives

- Chair:
- Vice Chair:
- Recording Secretary:
- Policy Advisory Committee:
- Poverty Intervention Committee:
- Healthy Schools Committee:
- Digital Citizenship Committee:
- SAPDC:
District School Council Minutes for June 1, 2015

Approval of Agenda – approved as presented – Allison Pike, Hollie Tarasewich

Approval of the Minutes – approved as presented – Lacey deKock, Hollie Tarasewich

Business Arising from the Minutes:
- Board priorities
- Budget Information presentation June 23 at the district office

School Council:
- Role of DSC
- Clarifying the point of no by-laws and constitution
- Established in 1993
- School Council Guidelines created 1995-2000 - no changes made to guidelines, goals or functions since that time.
- School Council policy reviewed to ensure compliance with the new Education Act.

Trustee Report - Keith Fowler:
- Update on budget (reinstated funding)

Alberta School Councils Association Report – Allison Pike - nothing at this time.

Committee Reports
- Policy Advisory Committee – School Council policy reviewed and complies with the new Education Act reviewing the copyright policy. Luncheon on May 7th.
- SAPDC Committee – nothing at this time.
- Digital Citizenship Committee – next meeting is scheduled for June 16th. The school website scavenger hunt will go out at the beginning of the school year.
- Healthy Schools Committee – Trina reported on the Vigorous program at Chinook. A group of stakeholders including the School District presented at City Council re: the Rec Center and healthy food options. Using brain breaks and fidgets at Chinook.
- Poverty Intervention Committee – nothing at this time.

Superintendent Report
- Transition practices between grades 5-6 and 8-9 being looked at next year.

Adjournment – 8:00 p.m.
## DISTRICT SCHOOL COUNCIL

### OPPORTUNITY PRIORITY:

**Advocacy & Action**

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**2015/16:**
Schedule session with ASCA for DSC – Effective School Councils – tentatively scheduled for Oct 15
Letter to SC chairs and DSC reps re: District Allocation of funds for ASCA spring conference registration and $200 professional learning expense support.
June agenda – participants share outcome of ASCA AGM

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<td>Bring up possible resolutions @ District School Council Meetings for ASCA</td>
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<td>Put together a DSC Resolution Committee</td>
<td>Go to Edmonton</td>
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**2015/16:**

Each school council bring forth an “issue” to the DSC
Provide a line item on agenda to foster time for this
Provides usable “data” from the trenches
Add this to minutes under “Issues @ Schools” or “Advocacy Items” just like the Roundtable reports

**First agenda of the year spend some time generating 4 topics of interest that or School related challenges or advocacy items**

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**OPPORTUNITY PRIORITY:**

**Communication**

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| • Recommended topics to be reported from school councils 2015/16   
  Make a template for school council roundtable reporting to facilitate consistency and topics of interest | • Recommended list  
• Provide format | • Each school council rep |
| • Maintain trustee  
• Superintendent reports to enhance communication   
  Reports will continue. Topics to include: November – AFS and Education Plan; New Initiatives; Relevant Policies; Budget; Board Priorities | • Satisfaction survey | • DSC reps |
| • Theme topics (guest presenters) communicated clearly that all are welcome 2015/16   
  First meeting generate list of topics of interest.   
  Ensure invite is clear that session open to all parents | • Turnout  
• Have four theme topic meetings per year | • DSC attendees |
### OPPORTUNITY PRIORITY:

**Parent Engagement**

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| • Create parent engagement committee to provide topic (current/hot) to school councils – education based  
**2015/16**  
**Monitor – January question** | • Schools have topics to discuss | • Parents (all three levels)  
• 1 trustee  
• Superintendent  
• Admin at all three levels |
| • Create opportunities for reciprocal relationship building between trustees and parents (eg. trustees come to SC with discussion topic not just top down report)  
**2015/16 - Will build trustee report with feedback items where timely and relevant** | • Parents and trustees report feedback | • Trustees  
• Parents |
| • Create opportunities for reciprocal relation building between administrators (including district staff) and parents (eg. morning coffee opportunities)  
**2015/16 – Superintendent will pass recommendation on to the principals** |  | • School administration  
• Parents |
| • Providing learning opportunities to parents regarding governance structure – accountability pillars **2015-16 – may be a Professional Learning topic**  
• parents want voice in decision making – what does that mean |  |  |
| • Advertise to all school parents training/learning opportunities available within the district. (i.e. Agnes offers Leader in Me parent session – invite all schools to attend. Done on a regular basis – create culture of opportunity)  
**2015-16 – Construct a DSC Calendar – post with info on website/ send out invites as well as post on calendar** | • Number of schools that invite other schools to learning events;  
• Number of participants when invited | • School Councils |
## Opportunity Priority:

### Parents: Process and Voice

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| • Goal is to get community reps to join DSC (eg. library, industry)  
  2015/16 One of the spring DSC meetings (e.g. May) have “bring a partner in education” representative – each School Council to bring at least one community member. Structure meeting so it purposefully engages the community member and promotes future engagement with DSC.  
• Partners in education program | • Bring an industry friend to one DSC meeting with meeting topic Partners in Education | • |
| • Form a committee Partners in Education made up of DSC reps and industry to research best practices and bring forward three ideas to council  
Will need to determine if DSC wants to assume this role and responsibility | • | • |
| • Setting up an education night geared towards industry  
Will need to determine if DSC wants to assume this role and responsibility or whether this gets passed on to secondary schools and off campus programming. | • | • |
| • Form a resolution committee to talk to school councils and industry and community. Bring back to DSC and put forward at ASCA  
Will need to determine if DSC wants to assume this role and responsibility or school and School Board community engagement responsibility. | • | • |
DISTRICT SCHOOL COUNCIL GUIDELINES

(Available on District website)

The school council and school-based decision-making impact education at the site. However, issues that arise at school council meetings may be regional, provincial or affected by district decision.

According to the School Act, “a school council may advise the school board respecting any matter relating to the school”. While a trustee might attend a school council meeting and the principal can bring district news to the school, school councils can seem isolated. Forming a district school council with representatives from each of the school councils, the school board and the Superintendent of Lethbridge School District No. 51 will improve communication and promote cooperative action among our school councils.

Functions of the District School Council

a. Share information among school councils
b. Consult with other school councils on wider education issues
c. Communicate information both ways between the district/school board and the school councils
d. Provide input to the school board and central office on broader education issues, including the district budget
e. Inform the community about education concerns
f. Promote school council in-service and training
g. Assist in providing parent representatives for standing and ad hoc school board committees

Structure of District School Council

Membership shall include:

- 2 representatives from each school council; however, each school has one vote should any decision be decided by District School Council
- 1 ATA Representative
- 1 Principal Representative
- the Superintendent (who is a non-voting member); and
- 1 Board of Trustee Representative (who is non-voting member)

Because the District School Council is not intended to detract from the legislated powers of the School Council, any formal actions of the District School Council require consensus of all School Councils attending the meeting.
A District School Council executive consisting of a chairperson, vice-chair, and secretary will be elected annually.

There will be a minimum of 5 meetings, normally occurring on the first Monday evening of the month held at the board office. These meetings are open to the public.

Agenda items should be forwarded to either the chairperson or the superintendent’s executive assistant. The agenda will be drawn up jointly by the chairperson and the Superintendent.
District School Council
2015-16
Topics for Presentations

Please circle level of interest with 1 being very low interest and 8 being very high interest.

1. Student Conduct and Discipline: Expectations and alignment with changes in the Education Act: parent, student, and Board responsibilities/ Student Code of Conduct requirements
   1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8

2. Student Assessment: the difference between formative and summative assessment; Report Cards
   1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8

3. District program for career exploration and post-secondary entrance: My Blueprint and Career Cruising. Tools and links for students and parents. Each student can build their own portfolio including resumes, interest inventories, searched careers, track marks, post-secondary institutions and programs of interest, etc. 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

4. ASIS – Suicide Prevention  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

5. ISP – Individual Student Plan for students with individual program needs  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

6. Governance structures with in the education system and accountability pillar information

7. School Community engagement
   1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8

8. Innovation in School District 51
   1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8

9. Other:
   1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8

10. Other:
    1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8
TRUSTEE Report to School Councils
September 22, 2015

1. **School start-up**

School offices opened on August 24 for new registrations and inquiries and all teaching staff were back in schools on August 27. Students started the school year before the Labour Day long weekend this year on Wednesday, September 2. The start date was due to the late Labour Day date which cycles every so often. Many staff reported liking the start-up student schedule with a 3 day week before Labour Day, 4 day week after Labour Day, and finally a 5 day week. They felt it transitioned students back into the routine progressively. We are wondering about what parents felt regarding the start up.

There were some transportation issues with school start up. Some of the issues related to accessibility to transportation. Student population increased to the level where some students who were previously allowed to ride even though they were less than 2.4 km, no longer had this consideration because busses were full with students who did qualify as over 2.4 km from the school. Currently our Transportation Coordinator has a waiting list for students who do not qualify because of the distance factor. The distance factor of 2.4 km derives from the School Act as well as funding for transportation parameters. This year transportation information was accessible on the website, Facebook, and updates through Twitter. The goal is to have information as accessible as possible. This will also be the case in the event of any school closures or emergency situation.

Lethbridge School District No. 51 welcomed two new schools this fall: Immanuel Christian Elementary School and Immanuel Christian High School. These two schools account for just over 500 newly funded students in the District.

As the City of Lethbridge grows in diversity, so too does Lethbridge School District No. 51. To date this year, we have welcomed 126 students new to Canada into our schools.

2. **Enrollment**

Our estimated total enrollment to date is 10039 not including Victoria Park High School and Alternative Programs which generally account for an average of 250 FTE. Victoria Park is not included in this estimate because of the complexity associated with determining full time equivalents (FTE) with a large number of blended part time students before final count at the end of September. This enrollment is an increase of approximately 631 students including students from the Immanuel Christian Schools.
3. **District Communication Plan**
   The Board approved a new District Communication plan at the September 22 Board meeting. The plan focuses on promoting students and our schools, keeping staff, parents, and the public informed in a timely manner through a breadth of communication avenues, and implementing strategies to engage our school community members in feedback and collaborative decision making.

4. **Opportunities for Input: Mental Health**
   For school community members interested in advocating for mental health services at a school system level, there is an online mental health survey that has been implemented for the purpose of informing a provincial Mental Health Review Committee to establish direction and priorities. The survey can be accessed at [http://health.alberta.ca/initiatives/Mental-Health-Review.html](http://health.alberta.ca/initiatives/Mental-Health-Review.html)

5. **The first District School Council meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 5th**
   starting at 6:30 at the Lethbridge School District No. 51 Education Centre (433 15 St. S). All School Councils are encouraged to send one or two representatives to the meeting. It is a great opportunity to learn more about the District and provincial directions, access avenues for feedback, choose to volunteer for District Committees (e.g. Policy, Healthy Schools; Digital Citizenship), provide feedback to the Trustees, and share School Council and school activity ideas with other School Councils. The meetings are always open for attendance beyond designated parents. As well, the Committee offers topical discussions based on parent input as well as learning opportunities at different times. These are advertised throughout the year with all parents welcome to attend.

6. **District Capital Projects**
   Modernization at Wilson Middle School continued throughout the summer. It will continue throughout the year with classrooms moving occasionally to accommodate construction.

   Ground was broken for the start of construction of the new Copperwood area elementary school.

   Final approval for funding to commence the west side middle school project was received. The schematic design is complete.
BOARD SUPPORT OF SCHOOL COUNCILS 2015-16

1. Lethbridge School District pays for the Alberta School Council Association membership fee for each school (currently $50/school)

2. Lethbridge School District will reimburse each school for the cost of one registration fee for the Alberta School Council Association Annual Spring Conference. The participant can pay for the conference registration and then submit the receipt OR have the Executive Assistant of the Superintendent register them and have the School District directly pay. Executive Assistant contact is LeeAnne Tedder (leeanne.tedder@lethsd.ab.ca 403-380-5301).

3. Each school is allocated $200 for the purpose of:
   a. supporting a participant’s expenses at the Alberta School Council Association Annual Spring Conference OR
   b. if there is not anyone from the school who participates, support professional learning for the School Council. Professional learning can be considered broadly and could encompass support for a member who may subsequently share the learning with other parents or be delivered to a group. Learning may be associated with the role of School Council or role of parents in general or a topic helpful for supporting children or youth from the home perspective. Avenues for professional learning for parents include the Alberta School Council Association (http://www.albertaschoolcouncils.ca/) as well as the Southern Alberta Professional Development Consortium (https://sapdc.ca/en/welcome-to-sapdc)

   The funds are automatically transferred into the school budget for School Council access.
District School Council
School Highlights

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**Event Highlights:**
- Terry Fox run - grades 4 and 5 are participating at Henderson Lake gathering
- Senior choir is practicing to do back-up singing for a Chinook High School performance

**Participation in Decision-Making and/or Advocacy:**
- We’ve written the District about portables - see below.

**Fundraising (successful event to share?):**
- Collecting Toonies for Terry - apparently there are bets between admin teams
- Bulbs fundraiser last spring had some problems (bulbs were late and some orders had problems) but is happening again this Fall. We hope this won’t impact negatively on our donation drive.
- Dragon Days donation drive will be in October.
- We are beginning to fundraise to replace the older wooden playground at the school.
- Our kitchen renovations are complete and looking good!

**Issue that may be of common concern:**
- We now have about 700 students. Portables again failed to arrive and get attached in a timely manner to be ready for Fall. Classes are using other spaces (eg. library) until they can move in. We’ve written the district about how problematic this is in creating a positive environment for the kids and how hard it is on the teachers, but we know that this is a much broader issue than just our school. We think DSC should consider raising this as a policy issue for ASCA.
- There are two related issues that involve different people - the timing of delivery, a province-wide issue, and the timing and availability of workers to attach and prepare the portables, possibly an issue with more local variability and control, although undoubtedly also a problem through most of Alberta.
Galbraith Elementary

Event Highlights for September:
- Welcome back barbeque Wednesday September 9
- Student Learning Assessments begun and well underway in our school
- Student pictures, Hot Lunch and Family Fun Night (Dodgeball) Tues Sept. 29
- Energy Day Assembly and Terry Fox Colour Run September 30 on school grounds

Participation in Decision-Making and/or Advocacy:

Fundraising (successful event to share?):
Pig and Pumpkin Festival at Broxburn Vegetables and Café on Saturday September 19. We had a huge turnout of parent and staff volunteers that helped make the day a success. Proceeds of the event will go to the Galbraith Breakfast program.

Issue that may be of common concern:
# District School Council

## School Highlights

**September, 2015**

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### Event Highlights:

- General Stewart Elementary had a smooth start up to 2015-2016
- Parent council met on September 16, 2015 where elections were held for the board.
- Initially our main focus is to finish our School Council Handbook that we began in June, 2015 and introduce the Munch A Lunch hot lunch online ordering system for October, 2015 start.
- We have begun discussion regarding fundraising activities for 2015-16. No decisions are made yet.

### Participation in Decision-Making and/or Advocacy:

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### Fundraising (successful event to share?):

- Nothing yet

### Issue that may be of common concern:

- None at this time.
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<td>Pastor Pancake Breakfast (Sept 11) – ICES hosted the annual Pastor Pancake breakfast for over 30 local Pastors. We also invited our bus drivers as an opportunity to show them appreciation.</td>
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<td>Bits &amp; Bytes Golf Tournament (Sept 12) – Annual fundraising golf tournament was well attended and successful.</td>
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<td>Granum Turkey Supper (Oct 3)</td>
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### Event Highlights:
- Student enrolment is up this year to 512 students
- This year we will be reviewing our School Council ByLaws, which haven’t been updated since 1996
- We will be using School Cash OnLine to collect monies for Hot Lunches this year
- Playground committee is in full force. Preliminary drawings for the new school playground have been drawn up and fundraising will begin this year.

### Participation in Decision-Making and/or Advocacy:

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### Fundraising (successful event to share?):

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### Issue that may be of common concern:

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**District School Council**  
**School Highlights**

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**Event Highlights:**

1. We held our “Welcome Back Pancake Breakfast” on September 11, 2015. Over 350 students and their families enjoyed pancakes, sausages and more.

2. Our school participated in the LSAA on September 23.

3. We also participated in the Terry Fox Run at Henderson on September 30.

4. Our school is participating in “Feed The Bug” campaign again this year, from September 28 - October 8. We are collecting non-perishable food items to be donated to the local food bank.

**Participation in Decision-Making and/or Advocacy:**

**Fundraising (successful event to share?):**

A big thank you to LCS families, local business and members of the community who contributed towards our gym floor replacement fundraiser. We now have a real gym floor, no more carpet 😊. A special thank you to the Nieuwenhuis family who contributed to the fundraising efforts and did the installation as well. They did all these even though their children are no longer at our school.

**Issue that may be of common concern:**
## District School Council
### School Highlights

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### Event Highlights:
- Successful Meet the Teacher night
- Council at NSCS is now referred to as the Parent Lighthouse Team within the school to reflect the Leader In Me program at the school. We are currently forming Action Committees for various events and activities we support in the school
- Students participated in the Terry Fox Run and collected Toonies for Terry

### Participation in Decision-Making and/or Advocacy:
- Brought up medication storage within schools at our meeting. Our council believes there needs to be some changes to the policy re: storage (locked vs unlocked, office vs classroom, etc)
- Discussed bussing concerns and offered suggestions to make the program better (sending letters to bus families BEFORE school starts so they know which stop/bus they use, working with Leth Transit so that bus lists don’t change once school starts, etc)

### Fundraising (successful event to share?):
Nothing to share at this time. However, we are planning a poinsettia fundraiser, beef jerky fundraiser, and our Christmas Craft Sale as fall fundraisers

### Issue that may be of common concern:
**Please see the two items in the Participation in Decision Making/Advocacy section as they would apply here too**
District School Council
School Highlights

| School: | Park Meadows School |

Event Highlights:
We are excited for another amazing year at Park Meadows:
- We started with a fantastic Welcome Back Pancake breakfast. Over 600 people were served.
- Our Grade 4/5 Leadership Team have organized theme days for the year.
- We have our first school wide field trip to the Terry Fox run at Henderson Lake.
- Thank you to our hot lunch organizers. The entire school is very excited for these hot lunch days. It also provides an opportunity to build relationships within the community.

Participation in Decision-Making and/or Advocacy
Parent council are honoured to purchase agendas for the entire school and support field trips with a donation of $25/student.

Fundraising (Do you have a successful event to share?):

Issues that may be of common concern:
We always want to have a safe environment for our families. We do have concerns about the road safety at crosswalks and in front of the school. We have decided not to have student patrol. We welcome any suggestions on how other schools have addressed road safety at their schools.
District School Council
School Highlights

School: Wilson Middle School

Event Highlights:

1) A few years ago, staff at Wilson Middle School came to a very important realization. The school was offering a number of exploratory courses, for a wide variety of subject matter. But while those courses were a nice option to present to students, it raised a very important question, according to principal Dean Hawkins. “Why are we offering these exploratory courses if we have kids who are struggling to read?” And with that, the school went back to the drawing board, with the goal of increasing the base literacy and numeracy skills of its students. To say their approach has been successful thus far, would be a huge understatement.

“The impact of developing literacy and numeracy classes has impacted student learning by a huge increase in student achievement,” said the principal. “It is not the only factor but we know it has contributed to our success.”

In Language Arts, 90.5% of Wilson students achieved the acceptable standard (the provincial average was 91.3) and 22.6% of Wilson students reached the excellent standard (beating the provincial average of 21.5).

In Math, 74.1% of Wilson students were in the acceptable range (the provincial average was 80.4) and 13.7% scored excellent (the provincial average was 15.3).

Science scores showed 83.6% of Wilson students in the acceptable range (compared to 84.8 provincially) and 32.1% of Wilson students were in the excellent range (beating the provincial average of 28.8).

Social Studies also topped provincial averages, as 80.6% of Wilson students posted acceptable numbers (78 provincially) and 35.3% were excellent (provincial average was 21).

2) Ongoing renovation

Participation in Decision-Making and/or Advocacy:

1) Discussing and looking at ways the School Council can build partnerships with businesses, sponsors or individuals.

2) Ongoing discussion on increasing parent involvement with in the school, at every level - Parent Council Meetings, classroom volunteers, library volunteers, drivers, etc.

Fundraising (successful event to share?):

1) School Wide Fundraiser - selling local coupon books for the ‘SUTP’ company, $20 per book - 10$ to the school, $10 to the company.

2) Last May, the Indigo Love of Reading Foundation awarded the school a $125,000.00 Literacy Fund Grant to transform the school library over the next three years.
**Issue that may be of common concern:**

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School: Winston Churchill High School

Event Highlights:
1) Welcomed new Vice Principal Tara Orser to the school.
2) School start-up and registration process went smoothly.
3) Currently at a student population of 821.
4) Provincial Exam stats saw 100% of the students pass 4 of the written exams.

Participation in Decision-Making and/or Advocacy:
1) Grad will be one day this year, not two like last year; Wednesday, June 29th.
2) Discussing the role of School Council and will review its Constitution and Bylaws.
3) Student Council has met and has decided to be more "charity" focussed this year.

Fundraising (successful event to share?):
1) Currently running a 'Farm to School' fundraiser. Monies raised will support the Wellness programs and initiatives. Can order extra bundles to have delivered directly to local food banks.

Issue that may be of common concern:
1) Struggle to find a cafeteria provider. Has been no cafeteria since start-up, but something is in the works.
2) Do the same parents that volunteer to be executive on the school's Parent Council also volunteer to be the executive for the Parent Association/Society?