

**LETHBRIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 51**  
**District School Council - March 4, 2019**

**6:00 pm Learning Session:**

**Inclusive Learning – high school – Ann Muldoon & School Administrators**

*Parent engagement in working with the school to plan for extra support in the classroom*

Thank-you to Ann Muldoon and high school principals in attendance.

Presentation was followed by the question, *“Do you have any perspectives you would like to share regarding inclusion without being specific to your child?”*

## MINUTES

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1. Welcome and Introductions - territory acknowledgement
2. Approval of the Agenda
  - Hollie moved to adopt the agenda as presented. Cynthia Young seconded the motion. All in favour, none opposed.
3. Approval of the Minutes from January 14, 2019
  - Marylou Williams moved to adopt the minutes as presented. Patti Bandstra seconded the motion. All in favour, none opposed.
4. Business Arising from the Minutes - no business arising from the minutes
5. Trustee Report
  - January:
    - There was a presentation regarding the District counselling program for students at School District 51
    - Approval of international trips for WCHS
    - Authorization of locally developed courses
    - Policy review
    - There was a request to coordinate public forums designed to focus on education for the upcoming spring election
    - Chris Spearman delivered a letter in support for a new west Lethbridge elementary school.
    - Sarah Hoffman responded to a previous letter drafted by the district in regard to the opioid crisis
  - February:
    - Edwin Parr Nomination- Wilson middle school first year teacher, Melanie Wasylenko, was nominated.
    - Presentation on Numeracy
    - There have been resource purchases to support literacy resources in elementary schools as well as support for interactive technology at secondary schools.
    - Request for public forum – the board agreed to move forward with hosting a forum and is currently exploring potential partners for hosting the forum.
    - Minister Eggen is aware of the growing pressures and growth in Lethbridge. His communication conveyed the request for an West Lethbridge elementary school will be reviewed

6. Alberta School Councils Association – Hollie Taraserwich  
Conference and AGM April 26 to 28, 2019 – contact [LeeAnne.Tedder@lethsd.ab.ca](mailto:LeeAnne.Tedder@lethsd.ab.ca) for registration purposes – deadline is Monday, April 22 @ noon
  - o Theme is school council and building bridges
  - o Registration is paid for by the district for one parent from each school.
  - o If you are unable to attend and would like to send a proxy vote please email Joy Morris at [joy.morris@uleth.ca](mailto:joy.morris@uleth.ca)
  - o Voting process is a brand new process this year
  - o Online pre-voting for resolutions is open until March 22. If the school council is in support of the motion EXACTLY as it is worded one can vote online in favour of. If the resolution receives 60% in favour, this motion will be put in an Omnibus package, and the package will not be debated on the floor during the AGM.
7. Reports from District Committees:
  - Wellness Committee: February 25, 2019 – Shannon Pratt
    - o Discussion regarding Staff Wellness Throwdown from the staff
    - o Nutrition program – 11 programs funded by Alberta Ed in different formats
    - o New Wellness policy is still be worked on
  - SAPDC: January 29, 2019 – Hollie Taraserwich - no report provided
  - Community Engagement Committee: January 17, 2019 – Heather Paul
    - o Ice Scholarship Breakfast – occurred on Feb 14<sup>th</sup>
    - o Discussed Town Hall – occurred on Feb 5<sup>th</sup>
    - o District will be transitioning to a new website at the end of the school year
8. New Business:
  - Feminine Hygiene Supplies – Joy Morris
    - o Some schools (middle schools) do not have any machines within the schools.
    - o This was brought up due to a motion in a separate province that would freely offer such products.
    - o Can we look into girls having greater accessibility to products in the schools?
9. Superintendent’s Report – Cheryl Gilmore
  - Town Hall results
    - o The town hall results are located on the district website.
  - Scholarship Breakfast
    - o Yet another success, huge thank you to all parents who helped with this. The next step is to promote the scholarship and get some applications.
  - One District One Book – March 25<sup>th</sup> launch
    - o Just teasing. The Launch is March 25<sup>th</sup>. Amazing book- accessible to all ages, with respect to story and narrative.
10. 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
  - o Roundtable reports have been attached
11. Adjournment