



## Division School Council Meeting **AGENDA**

December 5, 2022

6:30 pm

Education Centre Board Room / Microsoft TEAMS

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### **6:30 – 7:00**

#### **Parent Learning Session: Lethbridge School Division Digital Platforms**

Come explore the various digital platforms available to parents, students, and staff used for communication, accessing information, and supporting learning. For example, parents will learn how to access their free home copy of Microsoft Office, how to download and use apps for communication and learning, as well as navigate PowerSchool tools. The Director of Technology and Learning as well as the Communications Officer will give a presentation and be available for questions and assistance.

Thank you to Garrett Simmons and Jesse Sadlowski for teaching us about all the School Division Apps and communication tools. You can review the presentation by clicking [here](#).

For more information on programs for digital citizenship and extra learning please visit the school division website [here](#).

1. Land Acknowledgement
2. Welcome and Introductions
3. Approval of the Agenda  
Tisha Elford Approved the Agenda
4. Approval of the Minutes of November 7, 2022  
Lindsay O'Brien approved the minutes.
5. Business Arising from the Minutes  
Put in any links to parent learning sessions. Cheryl will have a package of links to share from SAPDC in January.
6. Trustee Report
  - Board Meeting November 29- Reviewed Audited Financial Statements and 22/23 Budget Projections as well as information on grants the division has received including:
    - \$360,000 grant received for mental health to hire one Educator for digital citizenship education and one Social Worker for 2 years.
    - Additional funding for learning disruption caused by COVID-19. The Boost program was awarded \$219,000 for additional numeracy and literacy supports for students in grade

2-4. Six-week program that will start with numeracy next week, 20 additional teachers were hired. Bouquets to Karen Rancier, Director of Curriculum and Instruction and all Elementary Teachers and Administrators for facilitating all the additional testing.

- Community Conversations is happening this Thursday (Dec 8<sup>th</sup>) at the YMCA from 4-5:30 this will include free entrance to the YMCA gym for all, including kids. The January meeting will be at the Boys and Girls Youth Centre on 12<sup>th</sup> Street North on January 26<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8PM

#### 7. Alberta School Councils Association

Stand for Education Engagement Opportunities [ATA | Stand For Education](#)

Silent Auction [Online Auction: Alberta School Councils' Association](#)

- The Division will support one parent from each school to attend the April AGM conference. If Parents are interested in attending or carrying votes please reach out to Allison Purcell with any questions.

#### 8. Committee Reports

##### a. Policy Advisory Committee (November 9 meeting)

- An email will be coming from Kristin with a request to review and provide feedback on policies before the next PAC meeting on January 18<sup>th</sup>. Feedback will be due on January 11<sup>th</sup>.

##### b. Poverty Intervention Committee (next meeting is December 13)

##### c. Division Wellness Committee – Next meeting is in January

##### d. Community Engagement Committee – Next meeting is December 13

- ICE Scholarship banquet has been changed to a Student Showcase Event. This will be held in the Chinook High School Theatre on March 9<sup>th</sup>.
- Prepping for Town Hall on February 7th

#### 9. Superintendent's Report

##### 8.1 Student Wellness Forum in February

- Morag will be coordinating High School students participation in a wellness forum to learn about how students are feeling and their overall physical and mental wellbeing especially in relation to diversity and inclusion.

##### 8.2 Division Assurance Results Report

- Cheryl Reviewed the 21/22 Annual Assurance Results Report. You can review the Division Assurance Report [here](#).

##### 8.3 Parent Learning Sessions

- Kristin will send a sign-up sheet and more information on what a Blanket Ceremony entails with the minutes.

#### 10. Roundtable Reports

Reports are included with the agenda: they are an opportunity to highlight a very

significant event or for questions from the representatives about information in a written report.

- Nicholas Sheran used their grant on a literacy night and had 250 attendees with a hot chocolate bar and Timbits. Grant money was used to create packets for grade appropriate games and exercises to go home with parents. Fundraisers and community donations covered the costs of food and other needs.

**Additionally, the question below will be used to prompt some conversations and sharing of ideas among School Councils at the meeting. Please review ahead and think about what you might share.**

**What does your School Council do to make sure all parents feel invited, welcome, and included.**

- Nicholas Sheran- Provided a bucket of toys to entertain kids that attend the School Council so parents are able to engage.
- Providing an online option has opened the door to greater engagement as it allows parents with barriers another way to engage with Parent Council.

## 11. Adjournment

### **Division School Council 2022-2023 Meeting Dates:**

- January 16, 2023
- February 7, 2023 Town Hall
- March 6, 2023
- April 3, 2023
- May 1, 2023
- June 5, 2023

### **2022-23 Division School Council Representatives**

Chair	Shelley Roest
Vice Chair	Carrie Boschman
Recording Secretary	Kristin Solowoniuk
Policy Advisory Committee	Jamie Walburger and Alternative – Shelley Roest
Poverty Intervention Committee	Jamie Walburger and Alternative – Lindsay O’Brien
Division Wellness Committee	Edna Asem and Alternative - Sara Bond
Community Engagement Committee	Shelley Roest, Cynthia Young – ALL parents are welcome