

## **Forest Green School - School Council Meeting**

**April 8, 2025 @ 6:30 PM / In-Person**

### **Attendees**

Leah Andrews (Principal), Elizabeth D'Arcy (Board Chair), Roxanne Tremblay (Vice Chair) Sarah Kaufmann, Kiyomi Zaitso, Heather Evenson, Trevor Evenson, Miranda Niebergall (Assistant Principal)

### **Minutes**

#### **1.0 Call to Order at 6:55pm**

#### **2. 0 Approval of Agenda**

- Motioned by Roxane Trembley
- Seconded by Heather Evenson

#### **2.1 Approval of March , 2024 minutes**

- Motioned by Sarah Kaufmann
- Seconded by Roxane Trembley

#### **3.0 Teachers Report**

- Amber Laflamme & Kristen Grey: O'Canada in Sign Language

#### **4.0 Chairs Report**

- Education Planning Day coming up - Liz is attending with another parent
- ASCA - April 26, 2025
- COSC meeting - often double booked with our meetings

#### **5.0 Fundraising Report**

- AGM meeting took place. New appointments for positions: Danielle Clark, Chair; Elizabeth D'Arcy, Vice-Chair; Heather Evenson, Secretary; Sarah Kaufmann, Treasurer; Roxane Trembley, Secretary/Treasurer

#### **6.0 Principal's Report - Leah Andrews**

- New staff member: Ms. Johnson, Library Tech
- Planning for next year: More Move and Groove, More Land-Based Opportunities, Hoping for 260 + students again next year, New Principal; Leah is retiring.
- Important Dates
- Planning: At Forest Green I wish...

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**7.0 Board Report** - Aileen Wagner - Board Trustee, sends her regrets. Leah read out her report.

- Edwin Parr Nominee: Jennifer Jones from Meridian Heights
- Ad Hoc Committee: Trustees approved the Student Conduct Ad Hoc Committee Terms of reference. Will conduct an in-depth study of the most appropriate local and provincial advocacy strategies for addressing student conduct and behaviour.
- Special Contribution to Public Education Award: The board approved the nomination of the Rotary Club of Spruce Grove. This club helps ensure PSD students have access to nutritious food at school.
- Three Year Capital Plan: New plan is approved and can be found on the division website
- Advocacy update: Labour Negotiations can be found on the division website. The board will continue to advocate for education funding. Budget 2025 included a 4.5% increase in provincial education funding, a moderate increase in operations & maintenance funding and upheld the commitment to the School Construction Accelerator Program. The funding model was adjusted from the average of three years of enrolment numbers to the average of two years of enrolment data.
- Trustees Engage, Listen and Advocate: student advisory engagement planned for March was cancelled and we are discussing whether it will be rescheduled later in the year.
- There are reports for information available: Infrastructure Maintenance Renewal/Capital Maintenance Renewal Expenditure plan, French Immersion Report
- Trustees Demonstrate Responsibility: On February 27, 2025, the government announced that Education's operating expense budget will be \$9.88 billion in 2025-2026 which represents an increase of \$426 million or 4.5% from the previous year. And that over the next three years, Education's operating expense budget will grow by \$1.25 billion to more than \$10.71 billion by 2027-2028. It will take time to unpack what this means for Parkland School Division.

#### **8.0Adjournment 7:18 pm**

- Next meeting: May 6, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.

#### **Approval of Meeting Minutes:**

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

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

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