

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Time: 6:30 p.m.

Meeting Location: Bearspaw School Library (In-Person)

Attendees:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Andrea Craigie	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Destin Skaug	R	Reena Vadan
R	Kendra Mogck	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jody Seerup	R	Darah Manhas
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Judi Hunter (Trustee)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ashley Beagle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Amber Brandt
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Emma Lindsey	R	Sara Hughes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tanya Glencross
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Nicole Woodland	R	Supreet Dhillon	R	Sasha Wiens
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Alison Foster	R	Chantal Borcello	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Chelsey Setter
R	Simrit Brar	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sierra Rogers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Kari Kasper
R	Stephanie Demers	R	Trudy Toews	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Nicole Savoie
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Megan Dunn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tammy Cultera		

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1. Call to Order	Emma Lindsey (@6:31) – called to order
2. Approval of Agenda	Agenda approved by Alison Foster No additions
3. Approval of Minutes	Minutes approved by Alison Foster
4. Old Business	N/A
5. Business Arising from Previous Minutes	None
6. Staff Representative Report	<p>Jamie Angus <i>Focus on Health Project: Grade 8 Pink Shirt Day PSA</i></p> <p>Theme: Cultivating a Community of Kindess – Everyone is Welcome!</p> <p>Project starts in January: Introduction to bullying</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What does bullying and or cyberbullying look like? 2. What does bullying look like/feel like? 3. How can you model PBIS to stop byllying and build a welcoming community? <p>Assignment is to create a public service announcement to address bullying/cyberbullying.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assignment is completed over several weeks

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	<p>A number of these videos are pulled together and shared with the school at the anti-bullying assembly in February</p> <p>2 videos shared with School Council (same two that were shared at the assembly)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Stop Bullying 'be the change'</i> • <i>Don't Stand By – Stand Up</i> • <i>If you can't be kind – be quiet</i>
<p>7. Administration Report</p>	<p>Andrea Craigie</p> <p><u>Readathon Updates</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most forms of participating families have notw been received • 100% of students participated in tracking minutes (at school), it appears about 50% of families participated in fundraising • Most incentive prizes will be achieved! • Celebration Assembly on Friday, March 7, 2025 • Total amount fundraised to date \$5000 and still counting • Parent Feedback? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Maybe next year give Lolly Pops for returning your form (as incentive to return form) ○ May want to consider the time of year ○ May want to consider duration (e.g. is 3 weeks too long?) <p><u>February Recap</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quebec Trip: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 43 students ○ Fantastic Trip! ○ Students were very knowledgeable about Quebec • Careers Week: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Lunch and Learns ○ Two Panel Presentations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Arthur Child Cancer Centre Careers Panel ▪ School Careers Panel • Teacher's Convention: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Over 200 sessions on a variety of topics • Pink Shirt Day: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Wednesday, February 26, 2025 <p>March Schedule Reviewed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • March is a really busy month – calendar will come out in this week's fan out

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conferences in March will be on a Wednesday, March 26 and Thursday, March 27 night <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Combination of private booked interviews and celebration of learning ○ Celebration of Learning Showcase (also in Gr 7 and 8 this year) ○ Newsletter will have details about signing up for a start time and Conference Manager App ○ Hoping for another parent provided Pot Luck! ○ School Council will be moved a week earlier (March 19, 2025) to accommodate for the sessions <p>Alberta Education Assurance Survey This is an annual online survey that gathers feedback on behalf of schools and school authorities to understand what works well and what needs improvement At Bearspaw School:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ All certified teachers ○ All students in Grade 4 & 7 ○ Requestes of all parents and students in Grade 4 & 7 *new this year – parents will receive a letter with an individualized access code, this will come home next Tuesday, March 4 <p>Review of School Fees – 2025/26 Guidelines</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Current School Fee structure circulated ○ No increases to optional courses by greater of \$10 or 5% ○ No school wide blanket optional course fee increases ○ No fees can be charged for routine school supplies ○ All fees charged by EVS shall be directly related to the cost of resources provided to students and are not used to fund other services or supplies ○ Schools are not permitted to charge a fee for textbooks, workbooks, photocopying, printing or paper supplies <p>**For grade K-9 students, school principals in consultation with school staff and parents throught the School Council, may only propose a fee for Optional Courses for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Band/Music Materials (grades 5-9); Career and Technology Foundations (CTF); Environmental and Outdoor Education (Grades 7-9); and Art (grades 7-9) <p>Q: What is the reason for the cost difference between Volleyball and Basketball?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Cost of referees is different

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Locations for games/tournaments may not be the same (rental may be involved) <p>Q: Will impending tariffs impact costs?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Unknown at this time <p>*Note: busing fees may change as the schedule has not been set yet</p>
<p>8. Trustee Report</p>	<p>Judi Hunter</p> <p>February and March review</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have you been using the '<u>Where's the Bus App?</u>' and is it working? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ People are using it and it seems to be working well ○ Can be a little delayed at times ○ Does show everyone's house before your stop – that is not appropriate (if it is not a community stop) • <u>Turf Fields</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ When kids get to higher grades they really like Turf Fields ○ There was one created at Bow Valley High (Rockyview put in ~\$230 000 for this) ○ Airdrie requested one of these and the board put in ~\$300 000 to support this in Airdrie • Education Landscape is seeing a great deal of labour unrest – likely not the end of this yet • There are also an increased number of lawsuits in the school system; recent lawsuit regarding students that have Aids if the Aids are on strike <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ It was decided that these children would not go to school if Aids are on strike ○ This was challenged by parents ○ Now being resolved by School Boards • There are now an increased number of Human Rights complaints coming forward • There is a great deal of testing that is occurring (refer to Feb Report for links to what is being done to address testing in the younger levels) • Reference to a study related to post COVID – there has been a 30% increase in Myopia post COVID • Need to think about ergonomics over the long term – parenst need to think about this too • Mechanics Training Program (Cam Clark Ford in Airdrie run this program) – this program has been around for 25 years

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small adjustment in Airdrie related to numbers at one school • In the fall there will be a Trustee Election coming (October 11, 2025) • Budget work to focus on Numeracy and Literacy has been done (details in Trustee Newsletter)
<p>9. FBES</p>	<p>Destin Skaug</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solid Numbers for Coffee and Choco <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Coffees \$711 ○ Purdys Chocolate \$3811 • Fun Lunch - \$~14 000 (little bit behind where we were at this time last year) • Hot Dog Days are coming up • Raffle Seat and Parking Spot (\$2500) • New Treasurer: Megan (Welcome Megan!) • Spring Flower Baskets upcoming <p>Q: Where does the event money go?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Each class gets \$1000 ○ School Leadership sets our priorities for the next year with the FBES Group <p>Q: Can the School Council see the priorities?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Likely best to go to a FBES Meeting to provide feedback <p>Next FBES Meeting 02/27 (Zoom Meeting) and next meeting is 03/20</p>
<p>10. Chair Report</p>	<p>Emma Lindsey</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Updates at this time (Chair Report) <p>Community Liaison</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outdoor Classroom <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Community Association working to make a number of things happen ○ School Presented to the Council Board on an idea for an Indigenous Outdoor Classroom ○ There was some funding dedicated some time ago ○ Emma is speaking with the Councillors on whether or not the Outdoor Classroom can be built on the Community Association Land to facilitate this project

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Plan and use will be the same it will just be at the Community Association and accessible to the school
11. New Business:	<p>Class Parent Advocate (Emma Lindsey)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Idea to have a Parent assigned to the classroom as a Parent Advocate to assist with coordinating information for every class ○ This might be a great idea for the older grades ○ This role would be a support to the class and facilitate communication to all of the parents ○ Mrs. Craigie will touch base with the teachers to see what they think of this
12. Next Meeting	<p>Adjourned at 7:54 p.m.</p> <p>Wednesday, March 19, 2025 @ 6:30 p.m.</p>