



MEETING MINUTES

Lakeland Ridge Parent Council

Tuesday January 12, 2021 6:30pm | Meeting called to order by April Childs, Chair

In Attendance

• Mr. Huculak, Principal	• April Childs, Chair
• Mr. MacKay, Assistant Principal (Elementary)	• Theresa Guthrie, Vice-Chair (unavailable)
• Jim Seutter, EIPS Board Trustee	• Kerri Holmes, Secretary
	• Parents (3)

Welcome, Agenda & Introductions

- The Board, Administration and parents were introduced.

Agenda & Approval of Minutes

- Motion to accept January Agenda as presented with addition made by April Childs. Seconded by Teresa Bladon. Carried.
- The Minutes for October were reviewed; motion to accept made by April Childs and seconded by Teresa Bladon. Carried.

Reports

a. EIPS Board Trustee

- Welcome Trustee Jim Seutter. Trustee presented his report. Refer to the full [2020 September Trustee Report on the school website](#). Board meetings are always available [online](#).
- Board meetings typically open to the public; with COVID-19 protocols, it is now accessible via [EIPS YouTube channel](#) to listen in.
- Doing Results Review for schools to get insight and have dialogue with various schools in the district and central office. Lakeland Ridge results available [here](#).
- Audited financial statements for 2019-2020 completed and approved by Board
- Approved \$201M in expenditures for year; approximately same as last year. Likely do to COVID irregularities and federal funding.
- [Annual Education Results Report](#) available online.
- Approved junior high honors program – Sherwood Heights, Ardrossan and F.R. Haythorne will remain as sites for these programs
- EIPS has determined that PAT's for Grade 6 and Grade 9 will be cancelled for this school year
- October 8 PD Day will change to October 18 so that the provincial elections can be held on site without students in the school. This is
- February 1 – 28 is registration for 2021-2022 school year for new and returning
- Annual parent survey will be coming soon. Will be a new initiative introduced in this survey. ETA March.

- January 21 is next board meeting which will set school fee parameters; will be taking current economic situation into account.

b. Administration Report

1. Welcome Back and Happy New year! Students did 3 days online learning January 6, 7 and 8. We had some internet issues so thank you for your patience.

2. COVID-19 Update

All our in-school learners have returned. Mandatory health measures will remain in effect across the province until at least Jan. 21.

Staff reviewed our protocols before students arrived and yesterday teachers reviewed several things with our students. We continue to remind students about being safe and sanitizing on announcements daily.

3. Parent Survey Results

In November and December, we sent out a short survey to get sense of how families were doing during the pandemic. Here is a summary of what we heard. Thank you for your input.

[LLR COVID Parent Survey Results Nov-Dec 2020 - Summary](#)

4. Students Returning to In-school classes

We are thrilled to have our students back. Our junior high students were last in school on November 27. We certainly missed them. On Monday, for our junior highs, we handed out little bags of chips with a little message saying *“Welcome Back. You’re all that....and a bag of chips. We missed you.”* We also put up a bulletin board in our junior high hallway with a few things that we miss about having your kids with us. You can see that on our Twitter.

I have talked with teachers prior to students returning from online learning. Teachers will not be giving any summative assessments the first few days back. The earliest they would be having any assessments is this Thursday. Teachers will ensure there is time for proper review before administering with summative assessments. I have also asked teachers to check in with students and to notify parents if there are any concerns.

Updated Enrollment Numbers – As of January 11, 2021

Number of Students Transferring from Out-of-school to In-School	13
Number of Students Transferring from In-School to Out-of-school	4
Number of Students attending In-school classes	706
Number of Students attending Out-of-school classes	89
Current School Population	795

5. Upcoming Dates

- January 13 - Jersey Day / Wear Your Favorite Team Colors
- January 26 - IB virtual Open House for Salisbury Composite High @ 6pm

- January 28 - AP virtual Open House for Bev Facey @ 6pm
- January 29 - Professional learning Day (No Classes)
- February 3 - Early Dismissal (Wear Red, Pink & White)
- February 4 & 5 - North Central Teacher's Convention (No Classes)
- February 9 - PAS Meeting & School Council Meeting
- February 9, 10 & 11 - Parent Teacher Interviews (More Information to follow)
- February 10 - Bev Facey Virtual Open House @ 6pm
- February 11 - Salisbury Composite Virtual Open House @ 6pm

Please check SAL and Bev Facey websites for more information about information nights.

6. EIPS has decided to **suspend the writing of PAT exams** for 2020-21.
7. **Kindergarten and Returning Student Registration** – Lakeland Ridge School will once again have closed boundaries for next year. All student registrations for the 2021-22 school year—including kindergarten registration, returning student registration and new student registration—will take place online beginning Feb. 1, 2021 at 9am. RSR takes place Feb. 1-28. Current EIPS families will receive an email with the link to complete the Returning Student Registration Form available through the [PowerSchool Parent Portal](#). Please visit the EIPS website for additional information.
8. **Junior High Honors** –Starting in 2021-22, EIPS will offer an honors program at Ardrossan Junior Senior High, F.R. Haythorne and Sherwood Heights – the same schools that ran the pilot project took place in this year. The program is open to students in grades 8 and 9 who have an academic average of 80 per cent or higher in all four core subjects—language arts, mathematics, science and social studies. The program’s aim: To foster an enriched learning environment that challenges and meets the needs of high-achieving students. If parents are interested, I would encourage you to contact FRH for specific information. You would need to register during the RSR period. Once RSR closes, they would let you know if your child was successful in getting into the program.
9. **Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences** – February 9, 10 & 11. Information will be sent home in early February.
10. **Accountability Pillar Surveys** – no updates at this time. However, at this time usually we have information. I anticipate that we will be receiving information shortly. The Accountability Pillar provides an opportunity for Alberta Education and school authorities to ensure that we are equipping students for success. Usually what happens is:
 - In January, parents of students in grades 4 and 7 receive a survey from Alberta Education.
 - In February, students in grades 4 and 7, as well as all teachers complete their surveys online at school.
11. **School Fees** – Planning for next year has begun. In mid-December we sent out a message to all families regarding school fees for the upcoming year. The message included the 2020-21 school fees and let parents know that we would be discussing school fees at our January 12 School Council meeting. We are setting our fees with the assumption that we will return to a “normal” school year. Teachers select field trips that they feel will be beneficial for students and that are

aligned with the Alberta curriculum. They work hard to ensure that we receive the best value for our dollar. All fees are "cost recovery", meaning that the school does not make money from supervision or field trip fees. Each year we build the timetable around staffing expertise and student interest.

We are looking at different options for next year. Nothing has been decided but one option we are considering is:

- A book club option – “Books & Beyond”, “Book Buffet”, Book Buzz”
 - Follow a Protocol based on observation and conversation
 - Students read 4 books during the option
 - Fee may be about \$40
 - Kids would keep their books.

c. COSC Report

- Held first Wed of December
- AHS puts on Caregiver Education sessions. Free to support mental health for students and families. www.cyfcaregivereducation.ca
- First Nations, Inuit and Metis are also offering sessions. One branch is for those who are First Nations, Metis or Inuit; the other branch is for those looking to learn more about these cultures. Contact the school for more information.
- Provided COVID-19 numbers:
 - EIPS had 117 positive cases. All recovered.
 - 29 of 43 EIPS schools had confirmed cases
 - 18 of those 29 schools had fewer than 4 cases since September.

Old Business

- N/A

New Business

a. School Fees

- Fee schedule sent out showing last year’s costs and this year’s anticipated costs
- Options are cost-recovery
- Assumption is that school will return to normal operations with ability to do these options
- Fees will not be increasing for the 2021/2022 school year; the amount of the Fee Schedule is the maximum amount; if the cost comes in lower, refunds will be applied
- See Administration Report above for further details
- Final fee schedule will be posted to the school website in approximately February
- Planning for options for the next school year are underway and more information will be coming out as details are firmed up.

Adjournment

- Next meeting is Tuesday, February 9, 2021 @ 7:30pm
- PAS meeting is Tuesday, February 9, 2021 @ 6:30pm
- Meeting adjourned at 7:24pm

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