



MEETING MINUTES

Lakeland Ridge Parent Council

Tuesday, September 10, 2024, 6:30pm | Meeting called to order by Andy Cunningham, Principal

In Attendance

• Mr. Cunningham, Principal	
• Mrs. Sparrow, Acting Assistant Principal	
○ Ms. Ortigosa, Assistant Principal	• Parents: in person (7), Online (0)

Welcome, Agenda & Introductions

- The Board, Administration and parents were introduced.

New School Council Executive

- Teresa Bladon, Chair
- April Childs, Vice-Chair
- Tamara Perry and Meagan Olive, Secretaries

Reports

a. EIPS Board Trustee

- See attached report

b. Teacher's Report

Chantel Robertson provided the following update.

- Celebrations
 - Thank you to the Parent Action Society for donations and fundraising efforts for the Foods program (pasta rollers) - photos provided by Mrs. McKay
 - Unpack Your Backpack/Meet the Staff
- Important Dates and Events
 - Sept. 11 – Gr. 5 DARE Program
 - Sept. 12 – EIAA Sr. Girls Volleyball Tournament
 - Sept. 13 – Dot Day
 - Sept. 16 - Little Elk Island Adventure Group A at 1:45 pm
 - Sept. 16 - School Wide Bus Evacuations at 2:30pm
 - Sept. 17 - Little Elk Island Adventure Group B at 2:30pm
 - Sept. 17 - School Picture Day
 - Sept. 18 - School Picture Day (alt. K)
 - Sept. 24 – Howler Mile - PM
 - Sept. 25 - Linking Generations Information Session

- Sept. 26 - Terry Fox Run
- Sept. 27 - Orange Shirt Day
- Sept. 30 - National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (No School)
- Oct. 2 - Early Dismissal - 2:10pm
- Oct. 3 – Linking Generations Student Orientation
- Oct. 4 - PL Day - No School
- Oct. 9 – Jersey Day
- Oct. 10 – Elder Bert Auger coming to LLR
- Oct. 14 – Thanksgiving Day (No School)
- Oct. 15 – Linking Generations Visit
- Oct. 16-17 – Parent/Teacher Interviews
- Oct. 23-24 – Picture Retakes
- Oct. 29 – Linking Generations Visit

c. Administration Report

Andy Cunningham provided the following update; Also refer to School report at end of Minutes.

- Welcome to new staff
 - Ms. Graham, Educational Assistant
 - Ms. McLeod, Educational Assistant
 - Ms. Ash, Grade 2 Teacher
 - Ms. Richard, Grade 6 Teacher
 - Ms. Schaar, Junior High Teacher
 - Mr. Randall, Junior High Teacher
 - Ms. Bullerkist, Junior High Teacher
 - Ms. Poirier, Junior High Teacher
 - Mrs. Ortigosa, Assistant Principal
 - Mrs. Sparrow, Assistant Principal

- Budget Update
 - Enrolment update – 719 students
 - Complex Classrooms Funding - \$29, 000

- Feedback Items
 - School Photographs
 - Let us know how it goes compared to last year
 - Unpack your Backpack/Meet the Staff
 - New evening timeslot seemed to be well received by staff and families
 - Lunch time
 - Consistent classroom expectations
 - Potentially tweaking the schedule to reduce eating time
 - Milk Program
 - Would like to bring back for 2024-25 school year
 - Hot Lunch
 - Suggestion to start with once a month – Nitza’s?
 - Discussion about other vendors
 - What would time commitment be? - Marya Winter can volunteer

Old Business

- a. N/A

New Business

- a. Lakeland Ridge School Council Meeting Calendar

Adjournment

- Next meeting is Tuesday, October 8th @ 6:30pm (AGM)
- Meeting adjourned at 7:37 pm

Contact Parent Council

Email: llrschoolcouncil@gmail.com

Website: <http://lakelandridge.ca/parent-info/school-council>

Trustees Report – Don Irwin

Welcome back to all students parents and staff members. I trust that you had a relaxing and refreshing summer break.

The fall session for school trustees started on August 22 when we prepared breakfast for all of the central office, transportation, and maintenance staff. This annual event is a opportunity to meet returning staff and new staff and for the trustees to interact with our staff members. The board held its planning meeting for 2024-2025 on the 22nd of August as well and Cathy Allen was re-elected as chair and Susan Miller was re-elected as vice chair for this year. We organized all of the committees and the dates for the year including the school and central office assurance reviews in late October and November.

In the first week of school we had 17,968 students as of September 5th and would be expecting over 18,000 once all families return. School start up went very well especially with the staggered tarts between grades and schools.

The board reviewed the new personal mobile device policy sent out by the provincial government that that is very similar to the policy that the board set last year.

The board also reviewed the building security and door locking administrative procedure that we have now established for all schools in the district.

Also in September we reviewed the the naming process for the Sherwood Park replacement School replacing Sherwood Heights and Campbelltown. More detailed information will be coming out to parents as to how to submit your preference for the name of the new school that is set to open in September 2026.

On September the 12th the official groundbreaking ceremony was held for the new school with Representatives from the provincial government, the mayor of Strathcona county and representatives from the two schools.

The board also heard a presentation for students on violence threat risk assessment to better help plan for the possibility of various risks.

The Council of school councils has their first meeting on Wednesday October 2nd with a meet and greet at 5:30 and a full meeting at 6:30. Hopefully each school can have a representative present to hear helpful information to schools as well as relay information back to the schools..

We value your questions and ideas. Please send them to me at Don.irwin@eips.ca or call or text me at 587 986 3900.