

LSL School Council Meeting

April 15, 2025

Attendance: Jackie Flynn (Principal), Patrice Koshman (Asst. Principal), Len Davis, Susan Haws, Sandra Haltiner (Asst Principal), Susan Badger, Lindsay Payne Pynten, Amy Kantor, Bernadette Norris, Online attendees: Katrina S, Colette Doran, Olivia David, JS

Notes taken by Susan Badger

1. Land Acknowledgement and Opening Prayer-Sandra Haltiner and Jackie Flynn
2. Review of Agenda-Lindsay
3. Review of last meeting-Lindsay
 - Special acknowledgement to Amy Kantor and Gill Knuckey for supporting the last meeting when Lindsay could not attend; Lindsay thanked Amy for her leadership
 - Open House: Amy & Lindsay attended with a booth
 - Overview of events and overview of upcoming events, mental health staff team report; focused on admission into the school
4. Special Presentation: Ms. Ashley Sadler, Student Union Spring Charity
 - Every year the Student Union runs a Spring Charity event. This year it is April 28 through May 30 and will be in support of the ECSD Foundation which directly supports ECSD students. Fundraising goal is \$10,000. The theme for this year is Olympics. Lunchtime events will include elimination style competitions of athletic challenges (eg, dodgeball, soccer), academic challenges (Jeopardy, Crosswords) and lawn games (Jenga, Tug of War). Prizes awarded for teams who raise the most.
 - Students enter as teams and collect donation pledges. Historically it has been high school students only, this year Junior High students will be invited as spectators with the goal to include them as participants next year.
 - Students wanted to ask School Council to be involved. Ideas were running a concession, pizza day. We discussed that it is challenging to get parent volunteers during the week in the middle of the day. Discussed providing funds as seed money for the students to run something. Jackie, Ashley and PFA/School Council to consider options continue to discuss.
 - Parents inquired if donations can be made through Power School – Jackie to look at setting that up.
5. School Admin Report-Jackie Flynn
 - Monthly newsletter has been sent
 - Course selections for next year underway
 - Reviewed past and upcoming events:

- Shrove Tuesday & Ash Wednesday celebrations
 - Band Share day at Winspear
 - Alberta Band Festival
 - High School Musical (High School theatre production)
 - Junior High Play (Female Edison) in May
 - Grade 8 Hockey Hooky Day
 - Grade 8 Father Michael Mireau Faith Day
 - Grade 12 Grad Photos
 - High School Ski trip
 - Athletics many teams placed well, Women's Basketball Silver at Provincials
 - Badminton and Flag Football starting
 - Easter celebration
 - PD day April 25, focus will be on Indigenous peoples, enhancing attendance and mental health
 - April 10 Academy spirit day
 - Celebration of the Art, April 29
 - Multicultural Day May 8
 - Wellness Week
 - Skills Field Trip
 - Big Band night May 15
 - Band Concert and Arts showcase May 22
 - Admin team is planning for next year, reviewing registrations, finalizing now. Once enrollment is complete, budget, staffing plans and schedules can be completed. Staffing cycle begins May 16, will be recommending some teachers for continuous contracts.
 - Options planning in progress.
 - Federal government has withdrawn the funding of Jordan's Principle which has impacted all schools
6. Report from Chair-Lindsay
- ASCA AGM on Sunday April 27, where reps of every school council are invited to propose advocacy resolutions which are voted on by attendees. Seeking a volunteer on LSL's behalf-Katrina Semeniuk volunteered.
 - Planning staff appreciation lunch-June 5
7. Adjournment at 8:04 pm