

**WIN FERGUSON SCHOOL COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING**

Meeting Date: January 18,2021

Meeting Time: 6:45 Virtual Meeting

Attendees:

Trish Kuhn	Shelly Romanyshyn
Sherri Prince	Karen Ridgely
Laina Neudorf	Crystal Hudson
Justin Mazur	Dawn Ferguson
Harvey Stadnick	Jen Shea
Lana Lastiwka	Kristie de Jong

ITEM	DESCRIPTION OF DISCUSSION
1	Call to Order
	Meeting was called to order at 6:47PM Kicked off with Shelley Romanyshyn reading Treaty Acknowledgment
2	Approval of Agenda
	Motion by Shelley seconded by Sherri/Laina carried
3	Approval of minutes from last meeting
	Motion by Shelley seconded by Sherri/Laina - carried
4	Standing Business
4.1	COSC – Dawn provided an overview of what was discussed at the meeting –things of note – 70% reduction in funding for ASCA (ASCA provides support/education to parent council etc) – caregiver education series support student mental health will be at no charge to those who want to access them. Information session regarding Indigenous people awareness. More details are attached.
4.2	Teacher Wish list
	School Jersey – update pricing was provided by Winner’s Way require 42 jerseys to replace 40.95 + 2.00 for adults
	31 youth jersey x 40.95 = 1269.45 11 adult x 42 = 472.45 = Total 1741.90 + GST – proceed with asking for support from PTA to purchase the jerseys
	Ozobot – very positive feedback from both students and staff – going to program the Ozobot to play the music that they would normally play on recorders
	3D printer – currently not being used – but have started talking to teachers on how it can be used.
	Disc Golf Equipment – require 6 units – 161.88 x 6 971.28 + GST and shipping
	Spirit Wear – Sell hoodies, - t-shirts, toques, ball caps – online store will open January 20 closing February 19 closed
	Link to order https://winferguson2021.itemorder.com/sale
5	New Business
	Alberta Education School Fee Regulation – survey outlining about school fees Field Trips - \$45.00/per student Grade 2 swimming lessons \$70.00/student Noon Hour Supervision \$ 70.00/student – please note parents are able to print these receipts and submit with your taxes – it is considered child care from a tax point of view
	Optional fees Indoor Track team \$13.00 Handbell Club \$ 6.00 Outdoor Track team \$50.00/school Basketball/Badminton \$50.00/school
	First Nation, Métis & Inuit Update – Lana provided an update of First Nation, Métis & Inuit education that is going on around the school – showed picture of indigenous outdoor space – display of orange shirt day, grade 2 class learned about smudging, in November it was Metis week education around Metis people, project of heart – art based on residential schools. Staff meeting in December on how to support self identified students. Grade 6 students will participate in Blanket exercise. Celebrate nation indigenous people in June.
6	Administration Report
	Please see attached report
7	Trustee Report
	Please see attached report

ITEM	DESCRIPTION OF DISCUSSION
8.	Adjournment
	Meeting was adjourned at 7:56 PM Next Meeting February 22, 2021 6:45 PM Virtually

**WIN FERGUSON PTA
MINUTES OF MEETING**

Meeting Date: November 16, 2020

Meeting Time: 6:45 Virtual Meeting

Attendees:

Trish Kuhn	Shelly Romanyshyn
Sherri Prince	Karen Ridgely
Laina Neudorf	Crystal Hudson
Justin Mazur	Dawn Ferguson
Harvey Stadnick	Jen Shea
Lana Lastiwka	Kristie de Jong

ITEM	DESCRIPTION OF DISCUSSION
1	Call to Order
	Meeting was called to order at 7:56pm
2	Approval of Agenda
	Motion by Laina seconded by Sherri carried
3	Approval of minutes from last meeting
	Motion by Laina seconded by Sherri carried
4	Treasurer's Report
	<p>Sherri presented the report (see attached). General account balance: \$ 10,682,78 Manulife account balance: \$ 3,949.00 Casino account balance: \$ 10,743.88</p>
5	Old Business
5.1	Nothing to report
6	New Business
6.1	Crystal Hudson — outlined what was done last math-a-thon in may 2017 – raised \$13,000.00 it was discussed on how the logistics will work in order to proceed this fundraiser
6.2	<p>Sherri Motion – seconded by Laina for \$25 gift card for new PTA meeting attendees – draw was done and the winner is Jen Shea –</p> <p>Motion by Sherri for \$1900.00 – seconded by Laina to support School Jersey purchase from Casino account – carried</p> <p>Motion by Sherri for \$1050.00 seconded by Laina to support Disc Golf equipment purchase from general account – carried</p>
7	Committee Reports
	<p>Hot Lunch: postponed until further notice Club Moo: postponed until further notice Treat Sales: postponed until further notice Fundraising: math-a-thon was discussed under new business</p>
8	Special Events Committees
	Nothing to report
9.	Adjournment
	Meeting was adjourned 8:22 pm – Next Meeting February 22, 2021 6:45 PM Virtually

COSC January 6, 2021 Meeting Highlights

AGENDA ITEMS:

- ASCA Update
- EIPS Public Engagement
- *Annual Education Results Report 2019-20*
- EIPS First Nations, Métis and Inuit programming
- COVID-19 Update

ANNUAL EDUCATION RESULTS REPORT 2019-20

EIPS' *Annual Education Results Report 2019-20* and Annual Education Result Report Overview 2019-20 are now available online. The report outlines detailed information about how EIPS is doing relative to Alberta Education's performance measures; how it's supporting students to achieve the best possible outcomes; and its successes, challenges and priority strategies moving forward. Overall, the report demonstrates the Division is meeting the priorities and goals set out in the EIPS Four-Year Education Plan, which centres on enhancing the growth and success of all students. [Full Report](#) | [Overview](#)

ASCA UPDATE

Recently, the province reduced the grant it provides to the Alberta School Councils' Association (ASCA)—by close to 70 per cent. The impact affects both the association's operations and services offered. Currently, the ASCA Board's reviewing ways to restructure and find efficiencies. [Learn more](#) | [ASCA Funding News Release](#) | [Letter from the Minister of Education](#) | [ASCA Funding Clarification](#).

CAREGIVER EDUCATION SERIES

Alberta Health Services is hosting a series of virtual caregiver information sessions focused on ways to support students' mental health. The sessions are free and geared toward parents, caregivers, teachers and community members who want to learn more about challenges impacting children and adolescents. Session topics include anxiety, ADHD, depression, self-harm, technology, teens and teaching leadership skills, communication, resiliency, and more. [Learn more](#)

FIRST NATION, MÉTIS AND INUIT EDUCATION: INFORMATION SESSIONS

EIPS' First Nation, Métis and Inuit Education Centre is hosting a series of online information sessions for school families. [Learn more](#)

SESSION 1 – Developing Foundational Knowledge of First Nations, Métis and Inuit cultures, histories and contemporary contexts: A three-part series designed for families who want to learn more about Indigenous cultures, perspectives and histories

Dates: February 2, February 23 and March 16

Time: 7 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Where: [Hosted on Microsoft Teams](#)

SESSION 2 – Virtual gathering of First Nations, Métis and Inuit parents and families: An opportunity for First Nations, Métis and Inuit families to gather and engage in conversation with EIPS' First Nations, Métis and Inuit education team.

Date: January 26

Time: 7 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Where: [Hosted on Microsoft Teams](#)

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT SPECTRUM

Board Chair Trina Boymook presented COSC members with the public engagement spectrum EIPS uses to determine the level of engagement required to consult with school communities and stakeholders on a specific topic. The spectrum identifies five levels of public participation—inform, consult, involve, collaborate and delegate. All are appropriate and depend on the context. The further to the right on the spectrum, the more influence the community has over decisions. [EIPS Public Engagement Spectrum](#)

RETURNING STUDENT REGISTRATION

The EIPS Returning Student Registration Process opens on February 1. All EIPS families will receive an email from the Division asking them to confirm their child's enrolment in a school for the upcoming year by completing the online Returning Student Registration Form—available by logging in to the PowerSchool Parent Portal. Using the form, families can indicate the school their child plans to attend and apply to attend a non-designated school, if applicable. Requests to attend a non-designated school must be completed during the returning student registration process to be considered for the next school year. All returning EIPS students are required to complete the form by Feb. 28, 2021.

SAFFRON CYBER SECOND: January issue

The latest issue of the new *Saffron Cyber Second* is now available. Read it to learn tips, tools and strategies aimed at helping children develop skills for healthy and safe online experiences. [Saffron Cyber Second January 2021](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS AND IMPORTANT DATES

January 20: [Secondary French Immersion Information Night](#)

January 26: [International Baccalaureate Programme Information Night](#)

January 27: Family Literacy Day

January 28: [Advanced Placement Program Information Night](#)

January 29: Professional Learning Day (schools closed to students)
February 3: Early Dismissal

Additional information from the Jan. 6, 2021 meeting is available at www.ejps.ca. The next meeting takes place on Feb. 3, 2021.

Admin Report - School Council
January 18, 2021

1. January 6, 7 and 8 of 2021 the students of Win Ferguson met with their teachers and classmates online through Brightspace and Google Meets.
2. Tuesday December 22, 2020 was the last day of regular classes before the Christmas break and was one of our Spirit days for the year. The chosen way to show Spirit was by wearing Pajamas. Many participated and all enjoyed it.
3. Although we were disappointed that we were not able to host our Annual Christmas concert, live. The students of Win Ferguson worked diligently in music classes to provide their voices to our Joy of The Season online presentation that was available for viewing starting December 21, 2020. Shared through brightspace and the school website.
4. Student Leadership is alive and well at Win Ferguson. This was illustrated by one of our Grade 6 students who initiated a Santas Anonymous Toy Drive.
5. Board Highlights from December 17, 2020. - Probably given by Harvey.
6. Our grade 2 students showed their leadership skills by taking the lead on the Food Bank Drive, which ran from November 30th- Dec 11, 2020. This drive was very successful and had good participation in collecting non-perishables from Kindergarten to grade six, at Win Ferguson. 345 lbs
7. Newsletter posted December 3, 2020. Sent directly to parent email and posted to the Win Ferguson website: www.winferguson.ca
8. The first edition of the Nerdy Owl News was posted by Miss Wilson's class on November 30, 2020. Also posted to the website.
9. Our first round of report cards were available to parents November 27th on your parent portal.
10. November 16-20 was Metis week. Staff and students of Win Ferguson celebrated the week in different ways. - Lana shared about the activities. This was also Bully Prevention week. At Win Ferguson we choose kind each and every day.
11. Win Ferguson hosted a Remembrance Day Ceremony - Virtually to classes on November 6, 2020. It was also posted to our Website on November 11, 2020.
12. 6 students transitioned back to in-school learning and six students transferred to out of school learning.

13. Our grade four students participated in reading to Seniors in our community. A great example of Me to We that Win Ferguson students and staff participated in.

14. **Valentine's Day**

Students/parents will not be permitted to bring Valentine's cards, items, or treats to school for distribution. Classes that wish to recognize that day will have to plan for alternative activities that align with Covid health and safety protocols.

15.

Class	Theme	Date
Kindergarten	PJ Day	December 21/22, 2020
Grade 1	Jersey Day	January 28, 2021
Grade 2	Superhero Day	February 19, 2021
Grade 3	PJ Day	March 25, 2021
Grade 4	Hat day, PJ Day, Stuffy Day	April 22, 2021
Grade 5	PJ, funny socks and 80's hair Day	May 20, 2021
Grade 6	Twin Day	June 2, 2021

Hats On for Mental Health - May 5, 2021 - to be confirmed

These spirit days will be on our Win Ferguson webpage and are subject to change.

Other upcoming dates and activities to be aware of:

1. The Accountability Pillar will be completed by students in grade 4 and their parents will be invited to complete the survey as well. This usually occurs in February, though we have not yet received the information. This will be on our website when it becomes available.
2. Teacher's convention is Thursday February 4th and Friday February 5th - No school
3. Returning student registration and kindergarten registration will open in February. More details to follow on the WFG website. To be completed end of the month, Feb 28, 2021

Registration 2021-22: Process and Timelines

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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 9 a.m.** All necessary links will be added on the Division website at that time (for kindergarten and other new student registrations) and all current families will receive an email with the link and instructions (for returning student registration).

4. Online book Fair put on by our Librarian Mrs. Bos. The dates for the fair are Feb 1- Feb 12th. Please see our website for more details.

What is a Virtual Book Fair?

It is a new way to bring a Scholastic Book Fair to Win Ferguson.

- **Over 450 books and items** that were specially selected to delight and inspire readers of all ages
- An easy and fun virtual shopping experience that **earns 20% back in Book Fair Rewards** for your school
- Orders placed online are **shipped direct to home**, and orders over \$35 or more qualifies for free shipping
- **FAMILY NIGHT SPECIAL OFFER- where shopping on Wednesday nights only, between 6pm to 8pm only - local time zone will qualify for FREE SHIPPING, as there will be no minimum spend required. Purchases must be made during this dedicated time period, on Wednesday nights only.**

<https://bookfairs-canada.myshopify.com/pages/5154024>

Community Spirit Opportunity

In a gesture of recognition of the excellent job schools— staff and students—are doing in managing the current pandemic situation and in a sign of community spirit, the local RCMP will be doing a drive by of schools in the Fort. While some students may be outside at this time and others able to see the RCMP & emergency vehicles from the school, central have informed them students won't be coming outside and gathering to view the drive-by, as this would contradict our health protocols. There will also be a news release going out about this initiative.

This will at happen at WFG on:

1. Thursday Jan 28 – Win Ferguson Elementary – 1:00 p.m.

Trustee report January 2021

December 17, Board Meeting

-Passed bylaw 008/20 Rules and procedures for the conduct of school trustee elections. Municipal election including trustees is Monday, October 18, 2021. EIPS is currently accepting nominations for nine public trustee positions across the division including two in Fort Saskatchewan. More info at www.eips.ca/trustee/election-2021

Nominations will be accepted by appointment at EIPS central office between now and the close of nomination day, Sept 20, 2021 at 12:00 P.M. All forms must be signed by a Commissioner for Oaths in Alberta.

-The Board directed administration to establish a Jr. High honours program starting in 2021-22 at Ardrossan, F.R. Haythorne, and Sherwood Heights Junior High Schools. The program is open to all EIPS students meeting the criteria.

-EIPS schools will not be participating in the 2020-21 Provincial Achievement tests.

-The Board received reports on:

- Bullying awareness and prevention week Nov. 16-20

- Unaudited financial report for the Sept. 1-Nov 30 ,2020

-The Board extended condolences to the family of Lynn Patterson, a former EIPS school trustee who recently passed away.