

**Salisbury School Council
Minutes
February 26, 2018**

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Attendees:

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| Cathy Allen | Gabriel Chemello | Nadine Duiker |
| Annette Hubick, EIPS | Sherri Kaldenhoven | Tracy Simons |
| Tom Wharton | | |

Meeting called to order 7:04 pm by Ms Nadine Duiker.

1. Approval of agenda & Introductions – Nadine Duiker

Ms Duiker welcomed the parents. Roundtable introductions followed. The agenda as amended was accepted.

2. Review of minutes from previous meetings – Tracy Simons

The draft minutes from the January 22, 2018 meeting were previously circulated. The minutes were accepted.

3. Old Business

a) Trades & Careers, apprenticeship & RAP debrief – February 22

- Approximately 150 attended.
- The event was opened up to all high schools in the EIP division.
- Students talked about the RAP program and also about their experience currently in apprentice programs.

b) Blanket exercise – March

- No date confirmed at this time; may have to defer to April.
- Need a minimum of 15 people for the event.
- Discussion occurred about opening up the event to other schools.

c) Cyberworld – Saffron presentation – April 11

- The presentation is called *Cyberworld*. An Internet awareness presentation for adults to bring them up to speed on what's happening in the student's online world.
- Event confirmed for April 11.

4. New Business

a) High School Redesign

- Salisbury is not part of the redesign.
- Approximately 80% of the schools in the division are under the redesign method of funding.

b) School Council table at the Parent/teacher interviews – March 14

- Discussion about whether to set up a table at the Parent/teacher interview or the March 8th Open House.

- It was decided to have an information table at the March 8th Open House. The Open House runs from 6:30 – 8:30 pm.

Volunteers for the table:

Tom 6:30 – 7:30 pm
Gabriel 7:30 – 8:30 pm

Action: Ms Allen to set up a table for March 8th; Tracy to update the Calendar of Events.

c) 2018/2019 School Fees

- Ms Allen handed out a list of the 2018 school fees and gathered feedback about the fees for the 2018/2019 school year.
- The administration does not anticipate much change in the fees for the upcoming year. The extra-curricular events will have the clothing removed as part of the fees.
- The school has to submit their 2018/2019 fees by April 17th.
- Ms Allen reported that 89% of the school fees for the current year have been collected. Personal phone calls were made to families with outstanding fees; over \$40,000 has been collected.

d) Assessments

A question was raised about the difference between Summative and Formative assessments.

Summative – will have a grade assigned.

Formative – practice; feedback building up skills.

Accommodation is provided for some students when writing exams. For example, there may be an option to write in the office. Some students have an individualized program plan (IPP) where more time is needed to write exams.

5. Reports

a) COSC Report – Gabriel Chemello

Mr. Chemello provided an overview of the COSC (Committee of School Councils) meeting on February 7, 2018. For further details refer to the minutes on the EIPS web site.

<http://www.eips.ca/parents/committee-of-school-councils-cosc/meetings-agendas-minutes>

Highlights include:

- ASCA 2018 conference and AGM – April 20 to 22; one member from each school council to a maximum of 12 individuals can attend the conference. Deadline for applications is April 6th. Anyone interested in attending, contact Nadine Duiker at SalisburySchoolCouncil@gmail.com
- Pre-enrollment required for EIPS schools for the Sept 2018 year. The online enrollment will be open March 1 – 15. This will be an annual process going forward.

b) School Trustee Report - Annette Hubick

See attached report.

c) Principal Report with School Highlights - Cathy Allen

- February 27 – High school information night.
- March 8 – Open House at Salisbury

- March 12 – Culinary Challenge
- March 14 – Grad parent meeting; also the Parent/Teacher interviews
- April 9 – 17 – rewriting diploma exam

Sports update:

- Basketball teams are currently in playoffs.
- Badminton tryouts are underway.

Professional Development day – March 2

- ½ day will focus on technology, including google classroom, applications, and providers will be coming in to display new technology.

Next staff meeting will focus on mental health recognition.

6. Next meeting

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| Apr. 16 | 7:00 pm |
| May 14 | 7:00 pm |

Meeting adjourned 8:30 pm
Submitted by Tracy Simons

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Trustee Report for SAL School Council – Annette Hubick February, 2018

Strategic Plan

The board has drafted new foundational statements, i.e., the Mission and Values statements. It also decided that it would not make any changes to the Priorities and Goals in the strategic plan as the work continues and we want to remain focused. The board also changed the term of the plan from 3 to 4 years to reflect the actual term of the trustees.

EIPS Parent Survey

EIPS is conducting its annual online parent survey March 5-22. This survey is a supplement to the information we receive through the province's "accountability pillars survey," with a major difference being that the EIPS survey is open to parents of students in all grades. Your input is critical in helping EIPS measure how we are meeting the goals and priorities in our education plan and develop strategies to better serve our students and the wider community.

Advocacy Committee

There are several advocacy priorities and the board's role in this area must be responsive to emergent issues; however, the board wants to take a more proactive approach to its advocacy efforts. The board established an Advocacy Committee, of which I am one of three trustees who serve on it. The purpose of the committee is to develop strategic plans that support the board's advocacy priorities. The committee identified the first three areas of focus: education funding, relevance of local elected board and the autonomy of school boards, and quality infrastructure.

ASCA Conference Funding

At its January board meeting, the board passed motion to approve the sponsorship of one school council member per school, to a maximum of 12 to attend the Alberta School Councils' Conference & AGM, April 20 - 22, 2018, and that the deadline for submission align with the ASCA conference registration timeframe. I did ask why the recommendation was to cap it at 12 and the response was that it would be fiscally prudent to limit this expense and allow for budget planning. More importantly, in the last several years, the amount of school council members sponsored was 9-10 and did not exceed 12.

Funding allocation re: junior highs

At the Thursday, February 15, 2018, board meeting, the board considered a motion being brought forward to increase the per pupil funding rate for junior high students to "that the junior high per pupil percentage of funding received from Alberta Education and allocated out

to schools be adjusted over a three-year period to match the per pupil percentage as Early Childhood Services, elementary and senior high students.” Note that in order to increase JH funding, elementary and/or senior high funding would have to be cut to make up the difference. After quite a lengthy discussion and debate, the motion was defeated.

Public engagement:

The board hosted two public information sessions on the Wye School replacement project (February 13 and 21st). This was the third round of public consultation. Feedback will be considered and presented to the board before moving to the final design and tender stages.

Reminders:

- The online pre-enrollment process will run March 1-15. March 15th is a hard deadline for registering at a non-designated school.
 - Closed-boundary schools are: Win Ferguson Elementary, Wes Hosford, FR Haythorne and Ecole Campbelltown.
 - The process is made easier by the fact that much of the form will already include information from PowerSchool, meaning it’s more of a verification process.

Parent seminars (free):

- Webinar: Vaping and Electronic Smoking Products: What You Need to Know- February 27, 2018 | 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM AND 7:00-8:00 PM By Learning Network Educational Services
- Eastern Edge RCSD (Regional Collaborative Service Delivery) presents: March 1, 2018 6:00-7:30 – ABJ (Sherwood Park) More than Just a Bad Day: Understanding Depression and Self –Injury (Grades 7-12) *Adults only*