



# ÉCOLE CORINTHIA PARK SCHOOL

## School Council Minutes January 24, 2024

### 1.0 School Council: January 24, 2024

Call to order at 7:03pm.

Minutes taken by Kristen Walker.

### 2.0 Introductions and Attendance

**Welcome Trustees Angie Charpentier and Barb Martinson! Others in attendance:** Nichol Walker, Bridget Norris-Jones, Andrea Smith, Genalle Ehrstien, Kristen Walker, Kirsten Epp, Marlee Gerbrandt, Megan Pipke, Josephine Dodman, Nicole Russett, Rhonda Brunken

**3.0 Additions and Approval of the Agenda.** Approved by Marlee.

### 4.0 Approval of the minutes of the last meeting

- [Dec Minutes](#). Approved by Marlee.

### 5.0 Old Business

- 2023-24 [Grant](#); workshop: “School Council Purpose” Mar 4, 6:30 pm
  - Booked for Apr 3, 6:30 pm
  - More information at February’s meeting - will clarify whether meeting will be in person and where vs virtual.
- Other monies to be used towards a literacy night in 2024, to be planned in January; committee: Ashleigh, Megan, Kirsten Epp, Nikki, Emilie

### 6.0 New business

#### - Trustee Angie Charpentier

#### - [Report](#)

- CoSC (Council of School Councils) - discussion around not only having people attend meetings but knowing their skill sets and engaging them to help in these specific areas. How best can we increase attendance at meetings? Some schools alternate virtual meetings with in person each month. Also making sure that people feel welcome coming into the school.
- New decision was made to keep French Immersion at LCHS.
- AB School Board Association and Black Gold position statements.

- One statement around dual credit programming. In high school, these are courses that when completed, also give credit for post secondary education (an advantage for parents in that the division pays for the course!) but Black Gold needs more funding to maintain this and support students.
- New School Resource Officer - now there will be 2 (one RCMP, one Peace Officer). Rhonda is on the committee to clarify/draft job descriptions for these SROs.
- Black Gold Division was nominated for 2 awards - Community Award for Tom's Walk, and the School Board Innovation and Excellence Award.
- Trustee Angie Charpentier put forth the question of inclusion - what does this look like at Black Gold and ECPS?
  - Willow Park is getting a new inclusive playground with funding from Black Gold, City of Leduc, government grant money, Jump Start. The only other fully inclusive spaces are in Edmonton and Calgary.
    - **\*\*January 31 2024 - meeting at LRC from 5-7pm. Available to the public to attend re: inclusive equipment/playground\*\***
  - Properly funded classrooms and resources
  - Support for mental health needs.
    - What does mental health mean to us?
      - Building resiliency through adversity
      - Consideration of what people/students are dealing with outside school life.
      - Having supports for everyone/universally but also including the next level of support too.
      - Consider the barriers to access - funds, transportation, access/availability.
    - Consideration of classroom complexity
- [myBluePrint](#) - to assist in career development
- [MLA Advocacy for ECPS](#)
  - Modernization of Corinthia. Design process has been completed.
- [MLA Advocacy for Beaumont](#)
- [2026/2027 Draft School Year Calendar Survey](#)
  - 2024-25 and 2025-26 have been approved. Each school gets 2 votes for preference for the 2026-27 school year, one from the school council and one from the teachers. Draft A was supported by ECPS School Council (start on Aug 31, shortened November break).

## 7.0 Principal's Report

- ECPS
  - Report cards - no longer need a code to access. Just log on to Powerschool!
  - Outdoor Education program - offered to Grade 6 students. Meetings are after school, with one weekend day trip and an overnight trip. Cost associated with this course.
  - Extencicare buddies - 5B and 4/5 R. Students from each class going once/month x 5 months.

- Alberta Assurance Survey - Grade 4,7,10. Survey completed on parent engagement, education etc.
- BGRS
  - Boundary change - losing Blackstone, gaining Southfork.
  - Modernization of ECPS; schematic design Jan 26. As many projects will hopefully be completed with funds allocated. Priorities as follows:
    - i. Heating system/duct work
    - ii. Office area (making it more secure, visitors enter directly into the office as opposed to into the general school area)
    - iii. Gym + Kitchen (gym floors)
    - iv. Library (enclosing)
    - v. Bathrooms and corridor across from the office (including art room storage/math storage room) and an accessible laundry room.
    - vi. Rest of the office area (staff room, work room, break out room).
- School council engagement evening postponed in Feb due to not having a superintendent present.
- Family oriented programming upcoming - put on by the school's Occupational Therapist. Include topics like "picky eaters" etc.
- Carnival week upcoming.
- Dance residency in the spring. May need to charge each student \$5. School asking for PA support. Students will be taught dance skills, and will complete a performance at the end.

**9.0 Next Meeting: February 21, 2024**

**10.0 Adjournment at 8:47pm**