

SGCHS School Council | MINUTES

March 16, 2021 | 7:00pm | Online

Meeting called by SGCHS school council

Facilitator Brenda Cryer--chair

Note taker Nicole Buchanan—Secretary

Start: 7:04pm

Adjourn: 7:37pm

Attendance: Brenda Cryer, Tracy Lebel, Cheryl Otto, Darlene Clarke, Nicole Buchanan, Linnaea Nielson

Agenda Approval: Tracy

Minutes Approval: Brenda

AGENDA TOPICS

School Board Trustee Report | Presenter Darlene Clarke

- The Board recognized Danielle Bechard from Connections for Learning, Megan King from Greystone Centennial Middle School, and Taygan Lystang from Broxton Park School, as the three Parkland School Division Edwin Parr nominees. And further, the Board will submit Danielle Bechard's nomination to the Alberta School Boards Association Zone 2/3 Edwin Parr Selection Committee. Each year the Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) honours six outstanding first-year teachers, one from each of the six zones identified by ASBA, with the Edwin Parr Teacher Award. School boards may nominate any first-year K-12 teacher who has taught in an Alberta school jurisdiction which is a member of the ASBA.
- The Board approved the revised [Board Policy 2: Role of the Board](#).
- As well as [Board Policy 3: Role of the Trustee](#).
- The Board approved the [2021-2022 School Calendar](#).
- The Board approved the [recommendation](#) to write a letter to the Minister of Health and Chief Medical Officer to request that all school-based staff and contractors in regular contact with students, be considered essential service frontline employees and be given high priority to receive Phase 2 COVID-19 vaccinations. Further, that the letter be shared with the Premier, Minister of Education, MLA's, as well as Alberta School Boards Association.
- The Board deferred the recommendations on Transportation Fee Scenarios as well as the 2021-2022 Fees and Allowances to a Special Board Meeting, Mar. 11th

At the Mar. 11th Special Board meeting, the Board did approve both of the above recommendations.

- The Board approved the [Three Year Capital Plan](#) for 2022-2025. Each year, school jurisdictions submit facility needs for the next three years and await funding and approval from the province.

2022-2023 - Year One

Priority One (Option A): Modernization and expand (to a capacity of 1,900) Spruce Grove Composite High School at a cost of \$60-65 million dollars.

Priority One (Option B): Replace Spruce Grove Composite High School with a new High School (Capacity 1,900) at a cost of \$71 million dollar.

Priority Two - Modernization of Tomahawk School at a cost of \$2-3 million dollars.

2023-2024 - Year Two

Priority One - Modernization and preservation of Brookwood School at a cost of \$12-14 million dollars.

Priority Two - Modernization and preservation of Forest Green School at a cost of \$12-16 million dollars.

2024-2025 - Year Three

Priority One - Replacement of Parkland Village School with a new 300 student capacity school at a cost of \$14-18 million dollars.

- The Board received as information the Parkland School Division [Financial Reporting Profile 2015-16 to 2019-2020](#) providing a historical comparison of the Division to other divisions within the province.
- The Board received as information a [Stakeholder Engagement Event Feedback](#) report. In addition, a video summary on the February 10th virtual event can be found [here](#).
- The Board received the [2020-2021 Infrastructure Maintenance Renewal \(IMR\) Expenditure Plan](#). There was a carry forward from the 2019-2020 program year of \$778,058 resulting in a balance of \$4,033,079 available to spend on IMR projects. (A net increase of \$19,021 from 2019-2020.)
- The Board received as information the [School Resource Officer \(SRO\) Report](#). Constable Gord Marshall joined the virtual meeting to provide some highlights of the ninth year of the SRO Program in the Division. Constable Marshall is in his fourth year in the position. The funding for the program has been shared between Parkland School Division, the City of Spruce Grove, and Town of Stony Plain.

| Agenda topic *School Council Chair Report* | Presenter *Brenda Cryer*

- --COSC meeting March 11
- --discussed ASCA resolutions for majority of meeting
- --next meeting is on May 6
- --let Brenda know if anyone wants to go to the meetings

| Agenda topic *ASCA Resolutions* | Presenter *Brenda Cryer*

- question about mandatory bussing time limit
 - where is the funding coming from that would help with this issue?
 - there needs to be funding in place to support this issue
- charters schools
 - be allowed access to funding for charter schools from public funds but not have to have accountability to what the funds are being used for
- accountability of different organizations p21-08
- would charter schools already be registered with Alberta Education and the government?
- PSD has more accountability than some other school boards in the province
- Brenda is registered for ASCA conference —cost \$95.00
- trying to make sure that there is a representative from all schools including proxies (contact Brenda)
- members in attendance on the same page as to how to vote at the conference on April 23-25, 2021
- any questions can be emailed to Brenda to forward to appropriate school councils

| Agenda topic *Canadian Parents for French Update* | Presenter *Tracy Lebel*

- meeting last week
- centered around Franc-o-Fete that was taking place
- brainstorming about splitting up workloads
- get more word about the activities to others
 - summer camp in Quebec

- start promoting to high school students as there is funding available to them for it (5 week program)
- secretary is making a monthly info sheet to put in school newsletters
- talked about next year with online availability for students — doesn't sound like there is enough interest

| Agenda topic *School Administration Report* | Presenter *Cheryl Otto*

General

- Parent Teacher Interviews happened earlier this month. We have received positive feedback these last three rounds for this format. We will be looking to have more feedback on this in the future.
- Parents/Guardians and Students should all have received invitations to complete a ThoughtExchange Survey regarding quarters and semesters if there is a change in Covid and cohorting protocols for the next school year.
- Spring Break is around the corner and runs from March 26 through April 5 inclusively; please note, students actually have April 6 off, too, as it is a PD day for Staff.
- Towards the end of Spring Break, we will be surveying students and parents regarding At Home/In School Learning for Quarter 4.
- At the end of April, once Q4 starts, we will be having our 10s and 11s complete their course selections for next school year. Returning Grade 12s will happen shortly after and their placement is subject to spacing in programs.
- Unfortunately, the Education Minister did not announce that SGCHS will be receiving funding for a modernization in the new provincial capital plan.

Extra-Curricular

- Sports are still on hold. Potential for badminton at this time but we must wait to see what protocols are in place.

Grad

- SGCHS, Memorial and SPA will all be hosting Drive-In Grads at the Expo Centre; June 11 for ours and June 12 for SPA and Memorial. More details to come.

Drama program—musical theater program

- has been extended (—question from parent)
- reason is:
 - only 1 production
 - potentially have parents see the production with less restrictions coming out
 - no Saturday rehearsals as well—
- concerns for students who have other commitments that may conflict

Question from parent: STEMester program being brought back in the future?

- APEGGA STEMester was run through CFL—not sure if the door is officially closed from APEGGA but Mr. McNaughton is always trying to put forward as many options and opportunities as possible