

École Edwards School Council Meeting Minutes March 16, 2016

Council Executive Members Present:

- Kristal Filipenko, Co Chair
- Sharmen Dawson, Co Chair
- Meryl Gale, Treasurer

Council Administrative Members Present:

- Peter Fultz, Principal
- Dawn Rife, Assistant Principal
- Christiana O'Rieley, Teacher

MEETING MINUTES

- CALL TO ORDER Kristal Filipenko, School Council Co Chair Meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm.
- 2. **SCHOOL REPORT** Peter Fultz, Principal
 - Principal transition is going really well, students are talking to Mr. Fultz in French in the hallways, Mr. Fultz is reading stories to students in classrooms in French
 - There will be letters/email going out to families transitioning to A.E. Bowers in the near future. There will be a day that students will be going to Bowers to check out the school so they are more comfortable going there in September.
 - Currently the students are participating in Readers are Leaders program. Everyone
 carries a book around with them and when you hear twinkle twinkle on the intercom
 you stop and read.
 - We had some teachers and administration for a school in Lethbridge come to tour the school to see how the Leader in Me program has been worked in Edwards. The tour was lead by two student leaders. Mr. Fultz and the group were inspired by the confidence and expertise of these leaders.
 - COSL (communication of student learning) will be going home with students on March 18. Please contact your teacher is you have any questions regarding your child's COSL. The only mark that is below grade level is Limited. Between Student Learning Showcase, Google Drive and contact with the teacher there should be no surprises on the COSL.
- 3. SCHOOL COUNCIL EXECUTIVE REPORT Kristal Filipenko, School Council Co Chair
 - We have found two co chairs for school council for the 2016-17 school year. Tania Brown and Nicola Russell have bravely stepped up and volunteered to take on these roles. They will be shadowing and assisting me in the next few months.
 - We are still looking for a secretary and treasurer for next school year.

- School council Committees in need of new leaders and members: Silent Auction committee, X-mas Market committee, Bug Dance committee, Staff Appreciation committee
- We are open to new committees, but I think it would be best to take that up with the new executive for next year
- We are looking for volunteers for the night of the Bug Dance (May 19) for set up, selling texas donuts and glow bracelets and take down. If you can help out there is a sign up sheet on the counter.
- This is Ecole Edwards month for GEAR (gathering edibles for Airdrie Residents). Every school in Airdrie takes a month where they collect food donations for the Food Bank.
- Triple bussing will not happen for the 2016/17 school year. Transportation reserves will be used to off set the cost for this year. The 2017/18 year is still to be decided. They are forming a committee to look at all options for keeping the bussing at 2 routes and keeping the cost down.
- Its that time of year where we review our 1 yr plan from last year and start to work on our 1 yr plan for 2016/17. Is there anything you would like to see school council do or get involved in next year to add to our plan?
- March 30, Dr. Katherine Mueller, a language expert from U of C, will be speaking to developing literacy skills in children. It is from 630-830. Childcare will be available only upon request. Please RSVP to our email address cpfairdriechapter@gmail.com
- This is Sharmen's last school council meeting and I would like to thank her for being such a great co chair. We make a great team and we are very sad to see her go.
- 4. **ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA** SEP input from parents, 1 yr plan for School Council input from parents
- 5. **MEETING ADJOURNED –** Kristal Filipenko Kristal adjourned the meeting at 7:05 pm