



**Joseph M. Demko School Council Agenda
2024
St. Albert, Alberta
February 27, 7:45 pm**

virtual meeting link: <http://meet.google.com/oqw-zeyj-gzy>

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Kelly Ternovatsky at 7:47pm.

2. Welcome and Land Acknowledgment - Virtual Attendance and Introductions

Amanda Crouse
Alexander Forsey
Crystal Sawatzky
Devonne Skuba
Helen Nowell
Jennifer Parkatti
Jessica Cardozo
Kelly Ternovatsky
Jill Webb
Kim Armstrong
Nick Steinke
Richelle Robinson
Tara Kwasney
Tracy Diduck
Valerie Sanderson
Vanessa Johnston

3. Approval of the Agenda

- please note - contact Council using sc-chair.jmd@spschools.org

Jessica Cardozo moved to approve, seconded by Valerie Sanderson.

4. Approval of the Minutes from the Last Meeting

Jessica Cardozo moved to approve, seconded by Valerie Sanderson.

5. Teacher Report - Tracy Diduck

- Student Leadership: 3 Pillars - Joy, Mindfulness & Diversity
- Leadership program: currently in its infancy stages

6. Trustee Report - Kim Armstrong

Trustee Report Attached.

7. **Administration Report** - Mme Nowell

Admin report Attached.

- Newly hired Staff in the office - challenges with lots of turnover, a couple of LOAs
- Shuffling EA's as needed to provide coverage support
- Happenings at the school:
 - Lock down practice
 - Kindergarten Info Night (40-50 people attended)
 - Kindergarten registration open and new students
 - Returning registration happening March 4th
 - Junior High Open Houses are happening in St. Albert
 - Education Plan - was shared at end of January
 - Teachers Convention
 - JMD Wave of Kindness
 - Grade 1 - 100th Day of School Celebration
 - School Store will be open in March

8. **Chair Report** - Kelly Ternovatsky

Chair report attached.

9. **Business Arising from the Minutes**

- Engagement event update - Kelly
 - Family Game Night
 - Box Cars One Eyed Jacks - literacy
- Custodian Appreciation update - Kelly
 - Mrs. Santrock was a great support for this event!
 - Over \$500 of donations for gift baskets for the custodians

10. **New Business**

- Spirit Days? - Kelly
- Discipline Policy - Nick Steinke
 - [Code of Student Conduct](#)
- Parent Feedback that Disruptive behavior is happening in select classrooms
- Helen reviewed the code of conduct briefly

11. **Policy Review** - [Policy Review main page](#)

- [E-120: Learning Resources: Challenged](#)
 - Written input until April 4

12. **Adjournment** - next meeting **April 23, 7:45 pm** (no March meeting due to Interviews)

Kelly adjourned the meeting at 9:20pm.

Trustee Report:

February 21, 2024 Public Board Meeting

The board received as information a report outlining the key initiatives led by the Deputy Superintendent.

- The board provided direction to circulate the draft Board Policy E-120, Learning Resources Challenged and the accompanying regulations.
- The board approved an additional leave of absence for Trustee Stanley Haroun until September 1, 2024. Trustee Stanley Haroun's remuneration will not continue during this additional period of absence. Trustee Allen will continue to replace Trustee Haroun as the trustee Advocacy Committee chair on an interim basis until September 1, 2024. Trustee Allen will replace Trustee Haroun as the board representative for Sir Alexander Mackenzie Elementary School on an interim basis until September 1, 2024. Trustee Armstrong will replace Trustee Haroun as the board representative for Bellerose Composite High School on an interim basis until September 1, 2024.
- The board provided direction to administration for the preparation of the final draft of
 1. Board Policy C-130, Student Transportation and the accompanying regulations.
 2. Board Policy D-150, Support Staff Growth, Supervision and Evaluation and the accompanying regulations.
 3. Board Policy D-160, Support Staff Transfers and the accompanying regulations.
 4. Board Policy D-180, Resolution of Complaints/Concerns Regarding Division Staff and the accompanying regulations.
- The board adopted Board Policy F-100, Student Assessment.
- The board adopted Board Policy F-110, Student Conduct.

Approved Soccer Academy Fees

Stakeholder Workshop February 15, 2024

COSC - Cancelled - ASCA - April

Muriel Martin School Council would like to extend an invitation to anyone in the community who would like to attend a session by Aynsley Graham. No registration is necessary. Aynsley is a local behaviour consultant who works with kids and families. The presentation is going to be about how parents can support their kids through bedtime struggles, morning routines, homework, sibling conflict, anxiety and aggression. The session will not be recorded or available online.

Date: Thursday, February 29, 2024

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Muriel Martin Elementary School

Pink Shirt Day Wednesday - Feb 28

Feb 27, 2024 JMD School Council Admin Report

- Lunch Supervision
 - Announcement went out to parents today looking for assistance with casual lunch supervisors
- Introduction of Office Staff
- Stakeholders
 - Two students from grades 6 and 9 attended along with a parent, teacher, support staff member and admin
- Registration for 2024-25 year
 - Kinder Information Evening
 - Registration open for new families
 - March 4th - registration for current families for the 24/25 year
 - Visits to Gr 6 classes planned
 - JH Open House March 7th 7-8pm
- Education Plan presentations took place
- Ski days took place; one for 4 to 6, one for 7 to 9
- JMD Wave of Kindness - sharing acts of kindness with the community
- 100th day of school for our grades 1s.
 - Students created and shared projects of 100
 - Dressed up as 100 year old people
- Interviews
 - Will take place March 19th and 20th
 - In person, online or by phone
 - Specialists have open time and booking times
- School Spirit store (school clothing) will be open again in March

Chair Report

February 2024

Provincial - Alberta School Councils' Association (ASCA)

- ASCA Conference (26 & 27) and Annual General Meeting - April 28
 - Board Elections will also be taking place April 28

District - St. Albert Public Schools

- Stakeholders Workshop happened Feb 15 - thank you Jessica Cardozo for representing JMD
- Council of School Councils (COSC) - cancelled
 - Event at Muriel Martin - Aynsley Graham 7 pm, behaviour consultant

Local - JMD

- Will there be a JMD Spirit Day
- Pink Shirt Day - reminder is happening tomorrow Feb 28
- Reminder - Roots of Empathy Presentation with Devonne Skuba, April 23 meeting

Parent Reminders:

- St. Albert Public Schools Board meetings are open to everyone
 - Full agenda and link to livestream are available on the website: [St Albert Board Agendas](#)
- Please join the *J.M. Demko School Parent Community* on Facebook!
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