

Senator Joyce Fairbairn School Council Meeting

Virtual Meeting via Teams

January 20, 2025 7:00pm

Attendance: Sharon WillmsLang, Craig DeJong, Tyler Demers, Michelle Harding, Meg Fester, Leah Heidinger, Stephanie Beakman, Karla and Jaden Wright, Skye Curtis

1. Town Hall Feb 4, 2025 at Victoria Park School (Meg Fester)
 - a. **First session**, tables will discuss these questions:
 - What aspects of your school and learning experience are you most satisfied with and why?
 - What aspects of your school and learning experience are you least satisfied with and why?
 - What specific changes or initiatives do you think would improve the quality of education at your school?
 - b. **Second session**, students will be split into one group and parents/guardians/caregivers, staff and community members will be in the other group.
 - Students will be able to choose one of the following topics:
Welcoming, Caring, Safe, Respectful Learning Environments
Student Learning, Engagement and Academics
 - The other group will have three topics to choose from:
Parent/Guardian/Caregiver Engagement and Partnership
Classroom Complexity
Academic Achievement
 - c. More Information and registration link can be found at:
<https://www.lethsd.ab.ca/board/town-hall-meeting/town-hall-2025>
2. Internet Safety- (Meg Fester)
 - a. Speaker from Edmonton: Cpl Heather Bangle of RCMP (Internet Child Exploitation Unit)
 - b. Potential parent session at Plaxton Elementary or Wilson
 - c. Next day, youth offering
 - d. Overall parents present in council are interested
3. Admin Report (Craig)
 - a. Raj Mather currently on leave, Mr. Hamilton is filling in
4. Admin report (Sharon)
 - a. Rep league basketball tournament this weekend
 - b. Jan 31- Development basketball wrap up
 - c. Jan 30-31 Parent teacher interviews
 - d. Practicum nurses at SJF- Thursdays and Fridays
 - i. Working with PE and health teams
 - ii. Education focus (NO vaccines being administered)
 - e. School dance Feb 13, 2025
 - f. Feb 12- basketball wrap up

- g. Badminton begins after reading break
 - h. New initiative- student sorted into “houses” by last names
 - i. In class, in school opportunities that meet “SOAR” principles
- 5. Trustee Report (Tyler Demers)
 - a. Town Hall upcoming: More info and registration link on District website, looking for student volunteers to attend as well as parents
- 6. Division Meeting update (Meg Fester)
 - a. Education Assurance survey coming out soon, parents of grade 7 students
 - b. Community Conversation Jan 21 YMCA 1-3 at MPR #1 – conversation with trustees (donuts supplied)
 - c. Mindful Munchies Program is ending- feeding 20-30 kids per day. Admin looking for funding possibilities to keep this program going in some capacity
- 7. Next meeting Feb 24