

**Minutes of the Eleanor Hall School Council
AGM
APRIL 26, 2017 at 7:30 pm
School Library**

Attendance

Lori Borduzak (Chair), Jantea Vandervelde (Vice Chair), Cindy Hnatiuk (Director), Jacci Shank (Director), Carrie Ruch (Director), Jackie Carson, Angie Lorimer, Summer Halliday, Shauna Nyal, Verna Nyal, Jill Raucher (DIV 1 Rep), Tara Thue (DIV 2 Rep), Nadine Marchand (Principal), Dale Erickson (Assistant Principal)

Call to Order/ Welcome/ Introductions	Follow-up Action Recommended
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- 7:47pm
- Introduction from a new face, Jackie Carson, she is considering running for PHRD Trustee next year, so she came to observe, listen and get to know the School Council here a little bit.

Adopting the Minutes from March 22nd Meeting	Follow-up Action Recommended
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- Carrie Ruch approves the minutes of the last meeting, seconded by Jacci Shank.

Old Business: Home Alone Program	Follow-up Action Recommended
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- The program now has a facilitator. We will be bringing the program to our school for June 2nd, an Eleanor Hall School day.
- It will run approximately 9:30am - 12:00pm. More definite times to follow.

Old Business: DuPont Full Belly Full Mind application	Follow-up Action Recommended
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- We have been granted \$2000.00 for the breakfast/nutrition program.

Old Business: Update on School Spirit Wear	Follow-up Action Recommended
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- So far there has been about \$944.00 worth in clothing ordered. As soon as it reaches \$1000.00 in sales, then the school will start receiving about 10% back.
- It is online, and open 7 days a week, 365 days a year.

Old Business: Pancake Breakfast	Follow-up Action Recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is on Thursday May 4th. Sign-up sheets are located in the office, and remaining spots were filled at this meeting. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">

New Business: PHSSAM Concession June 8th	Follow-up Action Recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PHSSAM, for those who do not know, stands for Pembina Hills Small Schools Athletic Meet. School Council will be finding volunteers to run the concession, Enhancement Society will be taking care of the food and float. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">

New Business: School Council Facebook site, should we have it?	Follow-up Action Recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tabled to next year's meeting. The new board can decide whether to keep it going or not. 	<p>First meeting of the fall Agenda</p>

Enhancement Society Update and Election Results	Follow-up Action Recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enhancement Society recently received a donation from the Rotary Club to go toward a Buddy Bench for the playground. They have approved money for the basketball courts to be completed. The project will get rolling as soon as they have approval from the division and when it is dry enough. Easter tea and Bake Sale brought in \$878.10 from its donations of baked goods. The society increased the per student allotted money for field trips from \$15 to \$20 for the 2017/2018 school year. Election Results- Shauna Nyal will remain as Chair, Sue Starr will remain as Vice Chair, Tricia Lidberg is the Treasurer, Celina deZoete will remain as Secretary, Directors are Cindy Hnatiuk, Jacci Shank, Kristina DoBlanko, Debbie Nestorovich. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">

Administration Report	Follow-up Action Recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update on the Eleanor Hall School Council Planning Day (See attached. Nadine Marchand has asked for feedback on this information. She said please feel free to contact either her or Dale Erickson at the school or by email at Nadine.marchand@phrd.ab.ca or dale.erickson@phrd.ab.ca . Senior Buddy Program Update- Jessyln Wier's grade 2 class has been participating in the Senior Buddies Program this year. Students in her class are paired with a partner from the Westlock Continuing Care Center who they meet with weekly. Westlock Continuing Care staff (2 staff and their Recreation Director) bring the participants to the school every Wednesday where they meet their student partners for one hour. The grade 2 class also travels to the Continuing Care Center to meet with their buddies twice a year. While together, they participate in activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">

<p>(sometimes planned by the school and sometimes by the Continuing Care Center) such as trivia games, board games, bingo, arts and crafts, and jeopardy on the smart board. This group also participated in a roast beef dinner meal that was donated and prepared by Sue Sabourin as a fun extra activity. The students helped prepare the tables and serve the meal.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chris Koch Presentation May 17th 2:00pm- Chris Koch is coming to present his motivational story entitled “If I can...” to our students. Chris is from southern Alberta and was born with no arms and no legs. His presentation focuses on the accomplishments he has been able to do and challenges everyone to consider their own difficulties, with the understanding that if Chris can do his accomplishments with no legs and arms we can face our challenges. All parents and community members are welcome to attend this presentation. 	
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PHRD Trustee Report Annette Bokenfohr	Follow-up Action Recommended
<p>Having a superintendent in place this August before the beginning of the new school year is in the best interest of our communities, students and staff. The Board will be hiring a recruitment firm to work with us. We hope to have them in place this spring and then quickly move forward with the process.</p> <p>Mrs. Symrozum-Watt’s current five-year contract for the position of Superintendent expires July 31, 2017 and the Board has decided not to renew it. The Board would have had to make the decision to renew by the beginning of February according to the school act. A motion made on January 25th Board meeting - Moved by Trustee Lefebvre that the Board of Trustees designate the Board Chair and Vice-Chair to conclude the negotiation of personnel contract matter #0125. At that point the contract was still under negotiation and there was no agreement of renewal verbal or otherwise.</p> <p>When the allegations were brought to our Chairperson on January 27th she had a legal obligation to act and advise the Board which she did on February 01. The Board agreed that the allegations against Mrs. Watt were serious and that we needed to proceed cautiously and professionally in order to ensure that PHPS in not placed at undue risk.</p> <p>The Board recognizes that the recruitment process is taking place at the same time as it is dealing with a number of serious allegations, including harassment and bullying of staff, made against Mrs. Watt. The timing is unfortunate but unavoidable. The Board was hoping the investigation would be complete before the recruitment of a new superintendent however the investigation is taking longer than hoped.</p> <p>The Board and Mrs. Watt are in communication through lawyers which is a normal process when there is an investigation going on. She has been informed thoroughly regarding who made the allegations and what they are, and has</p>	

<p>received all the material pertaining to the investigation that she has requested. There is a question on why the trustees have decided to recruit a new superintendent before Mrs. Watt had a chance to respond to the allegations. The answer to that is that the two situations are separate.</p> <p>The Board has acted swiftly and fairly in this matter. We took the road that we did because of the seriousness of the allegations.</p> <p>I also wanted to let you know that the funds being used for the investigation and recruitment of a new superintendent are funds coming out of our administration budget. It is separate from the money going to the classroom.</p>	
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AGM Annual Report	Follow-up Action Recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lori will put her report in the School Council Binder located in the school office. • School will put a copy of School Events we participated in on website. 	

AGM Elections	Follow-up Action Recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair: Lori Borduzak stepped down. Lori Borduzak nominated Summer Halliday, she accepted. Seconded by Jantea Vandervelde. • Vice-Chair: Jantea Vandervelde stepped down. No one nominated for the position. Will remain vacant until next year. • Secretary: No one nominated. Celina deZoete said she would continue as secretary, seconded by Jacci Shank. • Directors: Cindy Hnatiuk stepped down. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Jantea nominated herself, seconded by Angie Lorimer. ○ Jacci Shank would like to remain as director, seconded by Celina deZoete. ○ Michelle Rigney would like to remain, seconded by Celina deZoete. ○ Debbie Nestorovich would like to remain as director, seconded by Celina deZoete. ○ Angie Lorimer nominated herself, seconded by Carrie Ruch. 	

Date of Next Meeting & Adjournment	Follow-up Action Recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Date of next meeting, TBD, this is last meeting of the School year • Adjournment 9:07pm 	