

**École Dickinsfield School Council**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**October 20, 2021**

The École Dickinsfield School Council will work with the administration and staff to create a safe, supportive environment which challenges students to be confident and successful intellectually, socially and emotionally.

We focus on the entire school community at our meetings. We cannot discuss individual issues. Please see the teacher or administration for these items.

**Attendance from Executive and Administration/Staff:**

Erin Keca	Jessica Abraham
Raissa Smith	Sophie Manuel
Leannah Robertson	Megan Langpap
Bradley St.Denis	

**Attendance from parents:**

Jeffrey & Lindsey Cromwell  
Amanda Thomas

**1) Call to order at 6:40 pm**

**2) Welcome**

- a. Quick introduction of the School Council Executive and Administration in attendance.
- b. Quick introduction of parents in attendance.
- c. Quorum was not met.

**3) Reports**

**a. Principal:**

- I. Parent Teacher Interview is ongoing. You should be getting weekly email from your teacher if you are not please inform the school. Also please do not forget to check your junk mail for email.
- II. This week (October 18 – October 22) is spirit week.
- III. IPP meeting is coming up on Nov 3, 2021.
- IV. Reports cards are being sent home on Nov 26, 2021
- V. Your child progress is updated on the Power School application, please download in order to stay up to date with your child grades, absence and progress. This is available for children in kindergarten and up.
- VI. School councillor Mr. Chiasson is currently relocation his office at the back of the school.
- VII. Collaborating days, embedded Professional Learning Friday (PLF) in the school calendar. On these days teachers will meet and discuss and identify needs for students.

- VIII. Life touch pictures packages, this year it has been changed. Proof does come home first prior to ordering. Retake is Nov 18, 2021.
- IX. School division is looking for feedback on ways to improve attendance as the current attendance are slowly decreasing. Link of example of some procedures:
  - a. <http://board.fmpsd.ab.ca/HTMLpolicyNew/procedures/AP330.htm>
  - b. [https://www.gppsd.ab.ca/parents/Pages/Attendance.aspx#/=](https://www.gppsd.ab.ca/parents/Pages/Attendance.aspx#/)
  - c. <https://www.rockyview.ab.ca/21stC/supporting/rvs-attendance>
  - d. [https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/14PX3gguDH7m\\_yPcall\\_KWS2lBi0M\\_Va\\_Z9F9xT3AdCU/edit#slide=id.p](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/14PX3gguDH7m_yPcall_KWS2lBi0M_Va_Z9F9xT3AdCU/edit#slide=id.p)

**b. Vice-Principal (Leanna Robertson):**

- i. Student lighthouse, Dickinsfield is a Leader in me school that has achieve student lighthouse status. There wasn't any teams last year but restarting for this school year. The team gets together to collaborate to build leadership for the school. This year they will start with grade 6. Monday will start with the first meeting. This includes 8-12 kids.
- ii. Litteracy Intervention, this year was embedded literacy invention time in the teacher's schedule. There will be about 10 groups mostly of grade 2 and grade 3. 12 staff are providing intervention. Started with grade 2 and 3 due to the provincial wide assessment for your child's gap due to COVID-19 interruption.

**c. Vice-Principal (Bradley St. Denis):**

- i. Indigenous Peoples Atlas of Canada, giant floor map in the gym for two weeks. This is a teacher resources in understanding the past, present and future of Indigenous Peoples in Canada.
- ii. Pauliana has been doing various activities on Monday and Wednesday
  - 1. Talking Buffalo and buffalo teachings. (respect, talking sticks)
  - 2. Lessons on the 7 matches.
- iii. Au Pair- Indigenous learning
- iv. New Org resources, X Movement classroom health resources.
  - 1. <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1EfvRXcXJ06lyofrmDUQX42BRVWrRSsg> discount code is DickinsfieldAtHome

**d. DFFA;(Dickinsfield Flyers Fundraising Association)**

- I. Wishlist from teachers:
  - a. School book resources (novel for book studies)
  - b. X Movement website recourses
- II. Discussed fundraising today, such as Flipgive (online purchases auto donates fundraising to the school DFFA)
- III. Growing smiles which is Christmas fund raiser. (wreath, ornaments etc.)
- IV. School newsletter will be a fall presentation.

**a. Networks:**

- I. No report – last meeting was cancelled

**4) New Business**

**A. Professional Learning Plan:** Plans for the year for PLF days includes the three actions teams that includes all teaches and EA that would like to participate. The three actions teams are as followed:

- a. FNMI
- b. Literacy
- c. School Wellness

**B. Fort McMurray Public School Board Trustee results:**

- a. Angela Adams
- b. Jonathan Lambert
- c. Linda Mywaart
- d. Tim O'Hara
- e. Jason Schultz
- f. Malcolm Setter
- g. Lorna Spargo

**C. Suggestions for presentation topics**

- i. Would be great to get more parents out for the school council.
- ii. Our school cannot run with a school council; it is in the School act.
- iii. If you have any ideas for presentation topics that would be of interest for parents and act as a draw please let us know.
- iv. X Movement presentation to parents

**D. Recommended topics:**

- I. Online tools for parents at home.
- II. Chromebook/Google Classroom refresher
- III. FNMI School Initiatives
- IV. Literacy data
- V. French Immersion resources to support parents/students at home (could this help with retention?)
  - a) Canadian Parents for French
  - b) FRAP
  - c) Other French organizations that we could invite?
  - d) Line is a member of the Francophone Association - Opportunities for kids to do soccer in French and other...

**5) Next meeting dates (all at 6:30pm)**

- a) Wednesday, November 17, 2021
- b) no December meeting
- c) Wednesday, January 19, 2022
- d) Wednesday, February 16, 2022
- e) Wednesday, March 16, 2022
- f) Wednesday, April 20, 2022

- g) Wednesday, May 18, 2022
- h) Wednesday, June 8, 2022 (**AGM**)

**6) Adjourned at 7:48 pm**

- I.** Motion to adjourn the meeting - motion accepted.