

**Bev Facey School Council Meeting
Minutes for January 17, 2023**

Attendees

Families: Karen Tomnuk, Tiko Bielecki, Sherri-Dawn Annett, Colleen Miller-Helwig, Ashley Frayn, Jennifer Daly, Jennifer Archer, Marlene Crippin

Staff: Ken Wlos, Brandon Salyzyn, Paul Schwartz, Candida Shepherd

Trustee: Trina Boymook

Student: Mitchell Pekse (Grade 10)

Call to order at 6:00pm by Karen Tomnuk

1. Welcome and Introductions
Happy New Year and welcome to the first meeting of 2023!
2. Treaty 6 Acknowledgment
3. Approval of Agenda/Minutes
No additions to Agenda
Approval of November 2022 Minutes
Motion: Marlene Crippin
Second: Ashley Frayn
4. Student Report
 - Mitchell Pekse (Grade 10), part of robotics club. He and his team competed in FTC (First Tech Challenge) – FTC hosts competitions in Canada and the US. Object is to grab cones with the robot and place them on poles to score points; in the past the robot had to traverse objects in the field to score points. Competition was in Lacombe on December 10, 2022 and the team placed 6th in Northern AB. Engineering is not a simple task and almost everything broke at least once, however we scored 114 pts. The team will participate in Alberta FTC on January 21, 2023 at the Strathcona Agora. There are two driving teams and a primary team. Mitchell is part of the primary team that operates the claw. First stage is autonomous where the robot can place cones for extra points. The team has to code (AI – artificial intelligence) to make robot complete the task.
Q: What drew you to robotics? How did you find out about robotics club?
A: Mitchell was big on tech outside of school before high school. His first robot was drag and drop, when given an input. Mitchell loves science, space really is what he likes. He was interested in the autonomous robots sent to Mars, Jupiter, and Mercury, then joined Robotics at Facey. The Open House is where he heard

about the club, and subsequently joined after starting at Facey in the fall.

Q: When you attend competitions, do you get instructions ahead of time or get instructions there and have to configure something there? How long does it take to build a robot? How many on a team?

A: Rules are set out by FTC at beginning of season. Robot has to be within 18" cube sizing dimension. There are no surprises at competitions. Our robot took approximately 3 months to build. There are 6-7 people on a team, and 5-6 show up to competitions.

Feb 2-3 Robotics club will have 16 teams set up in gym. The school will try to livestream the event so parents can watch.

5. Trustee Report – Trina Boymook (virtually)

- The Board held a Board Retreat on November 29 and 30 to work on our workplan, identify advocacy priorities and finalizing our Board Evaluation. Special attention will be given to monitoring progress being made with our COVID recovery plan, completing our 2022-23 public engagements work and the upcoming provincial election. Advocacy efforts will focus on curriculum, infrastructure needs, mental health and funding
- A summary of the Logos public engagements was presented for the Board's information, at the December 15 Board meeting. A recommendation to the Board is expected to come to the March 16 Board meeting.
- The next public engagement session for French Immersion is tentatively scheduled for February 7
- EIPS's mental health pilot, with a focus on junior high, proposal was approved, and we will be receiving \$1.94M over 2 years.
- We have received news that Sherwood Heights will proceed through a design build and not a P3. The remaining of the design work will continue under Alberta Infrastructure. We remain hopeful that we will be able to manage the construction phase.
- Our request to access more of our operating reserves to cover some of the costs to address Salisbury Composite storm water drainage issue has been approved by the minister and the funds have been transferred into our Capital reserves.
- Board held a special meeting on January 5 to approve allocation of contingency funds (\$1.68M) and reallocation of dollars that have been declared surplus for their intended purpose (\$1.78M). The \$3.46M will go towards emergent items, complete additional work and projects that is required to be completed this year, increase in early learning supports and purchase to prepare for the change to Windows 11. As well, \$902K is being allocated to schools. Each school will receive \$10K and per student allocation model will be used for distributing the remaining funds. The school will be required to expend the dollars in this year.
- Registration Process will begin February 1 to February 28. There is five schools with closed boundaries for the 2023-24 school year. Ardrossan Elementary, Ardrossan Junior/Senior, Davidson Creek, James Mowatt and SouthPointe.

Those that are planning on registering to a non-designated school and alternative program must do so through the month of February.

Q: Is EIPS looking into opening up the Sherwood Heights gym to the student population as community use? Can students access it as drop in during set hours? Is there opportunity for discussion on this? It would be a good thing for students to be able to use these spaces.

A: Yes. EIPS operate rentals of facilities, there are set rates for student/youth/adult use. Must go through facility services to book a rental. No, students cannot access it as drop in, there needs to be supervision and cleaning afterwards, so the building will not be rented if these things cannot be completed. Sometimes Facey runs drop-ins in the summer (August) with coaches/teachers that are around, but it's done with the school not as a team(s) because of seasons of play with sports. This is offered when school/staff is not busy during the day; not in evenings because it's busier in the evenings.

Congratulations Trina on Queen's Platinum Jubilee Award!

6. Information Reports

Administrative Reports

Principal's Report - Mr. Wlos

- Fee Perusal & Presentation for 2022-2023
Breakdown of Fees – Most of our fees remained as they were. We increased in four of our CTS courses:
Baking – due to the increase in material costs right across the list (price of food)
Construction – specifically due to large increase in the price of wood
We are proposing a fee increase in tow other CTS courses
Culinary – due to the increase in material costs right across the list (price of food)
Food Studies (personal foods/Home Economics) – due to the increase in material costs right across the list
Breakdowns of examples of classes (eg: Compu-Works), proposed field trip costs, field trip calculation sheet (field trip fees are not built into school fees, they are over and above), and extra-curricular fees
- Drama Productions in December went really well (Holder Posey and Clue), they were funny and amazing shows!
- “Sleep in Heavenly Peace” 2023
The fall/winter semester marked Bev Facey High School's Fourth bed build for the local non-profit; Sleep in Heavenly Peace Strathcona. (60 Beds in total were made)
These beds are bound for Sponsor Families for Ukrainian Refugees throughout Alberta.
The Alberta Government will be coming out to shoot a promo reel for the story behind the initiative with our students in the next two weeks.

- Robotics Team came back from a Major Competition in Lacombe
- In December, Bev Facey held the “Winter Winds Concert” 2022 and the “Winter Wonderland” Rock & Pop Concert 2022. Both went really well and we’re hoping to expand them next year.
- In February, the school will host “Facey’s Got Talent”
- Falcons 12 Day of Christmas, the students really enjoyed the different events and theme days that took place leading up to Christmas. Santa Claus even stopped in for a visit!
- Staff Changes –Three major staff changes occurring for the new semester:
Mr. Schoblocher will be retiring
Ms. Ramsey moving onto position at Grant MacEwan
Mr. Woodard on leave for this semester.
We received \$41,000 (Trina report) putting it towards primarily staffing (Math 30-1 & 30-2 large classes so probably hiring to help ease class sizes)

Mr. Salyzyn Update:

- Athletics:
 - Running the Sherwood Park Elementary Basketball Tournament on March 4th. High Schoolers will do some reffing.
 - Facey Basketball is back up and running.
 - Working on Handball, Badminton, Rugby, and Wrestling
- Hosting tourney for Grand 5/6 students, high schoolers will do some reffing
- Right after our last meeting our Falcon Swim Team did amazing at Metro Finals. They finished 3rd overall. Many of our swimmers medaled and acquired personal bests at the meet.

Mrs. Cropp (presented by Mr. Salyzyn):

- Advanced Placement (AP) Open House will be held January 26 at 6:00pm
- Will be held in a hybrid format in our Library and via Microsoft Live Event
- The general information session will start at 6:00pm and once completed students and parents will be able to ask questions of AP teachers and students.
- The general session will be recorded and posted to the website the next day after the event.
- Grad info is on smore – most up to date location for info

Mr. Schwartz Update:

- Exams: schedule on website
- Last day of regular scheduled classes is Wed Jan 18, 2023
- Most of our Part A Exams in English & Social are complete
- Exams run from January 19-27, mainly in the mornings.
- Students will write Final Exams in the South Gym and Diplomas in the North Gym.
- Students who miss final exams due to illness will be able to make arrangements to write their missed exam(s) with their Grade Administrator. (Two dates after their regular exam writing time).
- Exam deferral form, sent home to families for parents/teacher/admin signatures
- Diplomas – unless medical exemption and approved by AB Ed, still have to write it at end of next semester

Upcoming Important Dates

- January 18, 2023 – Last day of Regular Classes
- January 19-27, 2023 – Exam Week
- January 26, 2023 – Advanced Placement (AP) Open House
- January 31, 2023 – First Day of Second Semester
- February 3 & 4, 2023 – Northern Alberta Robotics Championship
- February 9 & 10, 2023 – Teacher's Convention (no classes)
- February 16, 2023 – Bev Facey Open House
- February 21, 2023 – Bev Facey School Council Meeting

January COSC (Committee of School Councils) Update

No report was shared with us this month.

Chair Report – Karen Tomnuk

- Congratulations Trina Boymook on being awarded the Queen's Platinum Jubilee medal, in recognition of significant contribution to the province.
- I attended the Assurance Review presentation by EIPS high school administrators in November, and found it to be a very interesting experience. I shared that Bev Facey offers a hybrid option to attend school council meetings and others were interested in this.

Round Table

Q: Can Facey change their logo (Athletics)? Is it possible to partner with design schools to do logo design?

A: Looking into new logo, and pushing for a new gym floor

Videographer took photos of Junior teams and Grad photos for grad video, showing grads doing what they love. Next year, we'll be using Hudl (company), to host livestreams. Hudl takes stats, video is AI and follows the ball, for concerts it has the ability to zoom in on where singer is. It can also create highlight reels.

Refresh of bus situation that was discussed at the last meeting.

Q: When does Registration begin and end for out of district students?

A: February. Please email Ken if a family wants in. Outside of EIPS can come to Open House also

7. Meeting was adjourned at 7:42pm

Next Meeting: February 21, 2023 at 6:00pm

Future Meeting Dates (6:00pm): March 21, April 18, May 16

Minutes prepared by Tiko Bielecki.