



Spring General School Council Meeting

Tuesday, April 10, 2018

Start time 6:00 PM

Sexsmith Secondary School (9401-99 Avenue, Sexsmith)

Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

Supper at 6:00 p.m. in the Sexsmith Secondary School Cafeteria.

AGENDA

1. **Welcome and Introductions** Dana McIntosh , AT 18:25
2. **Division Update** Dana McIntosh
3. **School Improvement Presentations**
 - 3.1. **School Improvement Plan Presentations** AT 18:35
Summary:
Learn about the innovative and unique programs offered at some of our schools:
 - 3.2. **Comprehensive School Health** Eaglesham School
 - 3.3. **Learning with Elder Peter** Beaverlodge Regional High School
 - 3.4. **Using Sensory Diets to Help Students Self Regulate** Robert W. Zahara School
 - 3.5. **Painted Ponies Program** Peace Wapiti Academy
 - 3.6. **Social Emotional- Mental Health** Helen E. Taylor School
4. **ASCA Conference and AGM** L Arlint & R Sakundiak , AT 19:50
Summary:
The 2018 School Councils Conference & Annual General Meeting (AGM) is April 20 - 22 at the Delta Edmonton South. The registration deadline is noon on April 16, 2018.
5. **Adjournment**
Comments:
3-2-1 Form & Request for ideas for future meetings



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Issue Summary Report

3.1. School Improvement Plan Presentations

#20180118004

Meeting : Spring General School Council Meeting

Meeting Date : 2018/04/10 18:00

Meeting Type : School Councils Meeting

Scheduled Time : 18:35

Executive Summary

Learn about the innovative and unique programs offered at some of our schools:

Background

6:35 -7:50 SIP Presentations (the order of the presentations may change)

- 6:35-6:50 – Eaglesham School - Comprehensive School Health (Terry Pattison and Paula Taylor)
- 6:50-7:05 – Beaverlodge Regional High School - Learning with Elder Peter (Amy Dzus Clarke & Anna Nelson)
- 7:05-7:20 – Robert W. Zahara School - Using Sensory Diets to Help Students Self-regulate (Lawrie McKeith)
- 7:20-7:35 – Peace Wapiti Academy - Painted Ponies (Kate Thon)
- 7:35-7:50 – Helen E. Taylor School - Social Emotional/Mental Health (Jen Clevette and Joelanne Liland)



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3.2. Comprehensive School Health

#20180308003

Meeting : Spring General School Council Meeting

Meeting Date : 2018/04/10 18:00

Meeting Type : School Councils Meeting

Presenter : Eaglesham School

Background

Presenter: Terry Pattison and Paula Taylor, Co-Principals, Eaglesham School

Overview: Starting up the breakfast program, noon activities such as skiing, skating, Outdoor Pursuits (ODP), kids being more active. This has led to less discipline issues.



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3.3. Learning with Elder Peter

#20180308002

Meeting : Spring General School Council Meeting

Meeting Date : 2018/04/10 18:00

Meeting Type : School Councils Meeting

Presenter : Beaverlodge Regional High School

Background

Presenters:

Amy Dzus Clarke has been a high school science teacher for the past 13 years. Last year, while working on the Science Curriculum Working Group, she became interested in learning more about "Indigenous ways of knowing." This has lead to the start of a new journey both personal and professional.

Anna Nelson is Principal at Beaverlodge Regional High School which has students from surrounding communities including Horse Lake First Nation and Kelly Lake community. Anna is passionate about learning and she would be pleased if you would join the "Let's learn Cree" journey -- videos posted on Facebook (Beaverlodge Regional High School).

Overview: Elder Peter arrived at Beaverlodge Regional High School in November 2016 and has been exploring academic and personal pathways with students as well as patiently teaching staff new ways of knowing and understanding.



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3.4. Using Sensory Diets to Help Students Self Regulate

#20180308005

Meeting : Spring General School Council Meeting

Meeting Date : 2018/04/10 18:00

Meeting Type : School Councils Meeting

Presenter : Robert W. Zahara School

Background

Presenter: Lawrie McKeith, Principal, Robert W. Zahara School, Sexsmith

Overview:

- Working with Peace Collaborative Services (PCS) to identify students with sensory needs
- Training staff to support sensory diet
- Building capacity in Education Assistants (EAs) and teachers to understand and identify potential sensory issues in students



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3.5. Painted Ponies Program

#20180308001

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Meeting Date : 2018/04/10 18:00

Meeting Type : School Councils Meeting

Presenter : Peace Wapiti Academy

Background

Presenter: Kate Thon serves as an Assistant Principal at Peace Wapiti Academy where her current teaching assignment is an eclectic mix of wellness and agriculture courses. Kate is passionate about developing and providing intentional programming that addresses students' ever changing social, emotional, and physical needs while supporting their transition into healthy young adults.

Overview:

Painted Ponies, an equine assisted learning program, was developed in response to an increase in awareness of the need for social/emotional supports while at the same time, recognizing the challenge of providing these supports at a tier 1 level within a high school. This led us back to the Program of Studies, looking for opportunities in Career and Technology Studies (CTS) to provide courses where students would receive credit while engaging in targeted programming on team building, communication, conflict resolution and leadership skills; skills directly linked to participants feeling less anxious, less depressed, and more likely to use healthy coping strategies in times of stress.

The framework is suitable to multiple approaches. The skill development, physical fitness and mental wellness components would be easily adaptable to many programs.



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3.6. Social Emotional- Mental Health

#20180308004

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Meeting Date : 2018/04/10 18:00

Meeting Type : School Councils Meeting

Presenter : Helen E. Taylor School

Background

Presenters: Jen Clevette, Principal & Joelanne Liland, Inclusive Ed Coordinator, Helen E. Taylor School (HET)

Overview:

- Drawing on initial data from 'Tell them From Me Survey' and Accountability Pillar HET started down the path to better support student mental health;
- Supports: Sensory room & library, increased Community School Liason (CSL) time, dedicated school counselor, different small group interventions and more;
- Professional Development: increased money for staff Professional Development (PD), Peace Collaborative Services (PCS) team Brain Trauma, Executive Functioning and school based PD focus;
- Needing more information, HET staff developed their own screens to focus our Collaborative Response Model (CRM) meetings and guide our action items;
- Coming to the end of year two we are working on gathering data to determine effectiveness and next steps.



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4. ASCA Conference and AGM

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Meeting Type : School Councils Meeting

Scheduled Time : 19:50

Presenter : L Arlint & R Sakundiak

Executive Summary

The 2018 School Councils Conference & Annual General Meeting (AGM) is April 20 - 22 at the Delta Edmonton South. The registration deadline is noon on April 16, 2018.

Background

The Conference Hotel is: Delta Edmonton South Hotel & Conference Centre 4404 Gateway Boulevard Edmonton AB T6H 5C2. Conference room rate is \$149 + tax (or \$164 deluxe) for single/double occupancy. Reserve before March 29, 2018. Rate availability cannot be guaranteed after March 29, 2018. Contact the hotel directly for reservations in the **Alberta School Councils group booking**.

Book your transportation in a PWSD white bus by phoning 780-532-8133 or email joannvanstone@pwsd76.ab.ca by **Thursday April 12**.

Guideline and Procedure #4 from [Policy JC – School Council](#) states: "The Board may provide financial support for two representatives from each PWSD School Council to attend the Annual General Meeting of the ASCA. This support covers reasonable costs associated with the registration and accommodation. In addition the Board provides group transportation to the AGM."

PWSD School Councils members are reminded that all PWSD School Councils are ASCA members and should use the less costly **ASCA Member** rates when registering for the conference. See [Conference Brochure](#) to register and reserve accommodations. School Councils members can reserve their seat on the PWSD white bus by contacting JoAnn Vanstone by phone at 780-532-8133 or email joannvanstone@pwsd76.ab.ca by **Thursday April 12**.

Process for reimbursement:

Option 1: School Council member pays for registration and accommodation and submits the '[accounts payable](#)' form to school for reimbursement. The AP Form is available at the school. The school principal authorizes and forwards the AP Form to Central Office using GL – 2-569-82.

Option 2: The school may choose to use their Purchase Card to pay for School Council member's registration and/or accommodations. The school principal authorizes using GL 2-569-82.

Appendix 1 for 4.: Annual General Meeting

Annual General Meeting

One of the most important events for parents on school council is the association Annual General Meeting (AGM) held in conjunction with the ASCA Conference.

The 2018 Annual General Meeting is April 22 at the Delta Edmonton South.



**School Councils
Conference
& AGM**

20-22 April 2018
Delta Edmonton South

Promoting student wellbeing in learning environments.

Sunday's business meeting starts early, after breakfast, and continues until all resolutions proposed for policy are debated and voted upon, as well as election of the new governing Board.

Don't miss an opportunity to be involved, to be heard, and make a difference in public education.

Voting is your voice

Shape the future of Alberta's public education system with your input. Resolutions passed into policy at the AGM form the association perspective as presented to Alberta government and organizations in education.

All school councils with current ASCA membership are eligible to send parent representatives to vote on behalf of the school council at the ASCA Annual General Meeting.

Mark Your Calendars

| Jun-Dec '17 | Dec. 19 '17 | Jan. 10 '18 | Feb 28 '18 | Mar 12 '18 | Apr 22 '18 |
|---|---|--|---|--|--|
| At member school council/CoSC meetings, identify issues affecting ECS-12 students that parents would like to see changed. | School councils/CoSCs can start the province-wide discussion by completing and submitting issues to the ASCA through the ASCA office. Use the "Effecting Change" form (on page 2) | First drafts for member school council/CoSC review and input emailed to members and schools and posted on ASCA website | Deadline for member school council/CoSC questions and input on drafts to be sent to resolution sponsors | All AGM information & links emailed to members and schools and posted on website | Parent delegates attend to represent member school councils/CoSCs at AGM |

Appendix 1 for 4.: Annual General Meeting

To influence change to issues at the provincial level, school councils/COSCs can send the issues to the ASCA office in order that they can be considered, discussed and debated by school council delegates province-wide at the ASCA Annual General Meeting (AGM).

Advocacy statements that receive majority support from ASCA voting delegate parent council members at the AGM become directives for action or belief statements that inform the provincial advocacy work of the ASCA Board and are also utilized by ASCA representatives at provincial education advisory committee meetings to represent the collective parent voice.

*All school councils/CoSCs in the province are able to submit issues they feel need to change in the Alberta ECS-12 system. Parent delegates from all Alberta school councils/CoSCs are welcome to register to attend the AGM.

**ASCA deals with education issues relevant to parents represented by school councils. Other professionals on school councils have similar opportunities through their respective professional associations.

***Parent delegates who are attending on behalf ASCA member school councils are eligible to vote on AGM business and advocacy statements at the AGM.

Please contact the ASCA office if you are uncertain as to your councils' current membership status.

Appendix 2 for 4.: Voting Proxy Form



Alberta School Councils' Association

2018 Annual General Meeting

PROXY VOTING FORM

USE THIS FORM WHEN A PARENT FROM ANOTHER ASCA MEMBER COUNCIL IS COMING TO THE AGM TO VOTE ON BEHALF OF YOUR SCHOOL COUNCIL

As ASCA members in good standing, the parents of

_____ school council, in _____ Alberta,
(name of school) (city/town)

hereby appoint *** _____ as our proxy holder, to attend and vote
(name of parent delegate and name of school)

- ☐ on issue resolutions (please check to indicate permission)
☐ for the ASCA Board of Directors (please check to indicate permission)

at the ASCA Annual General Meeting, to be held on April 22, 2018.

SIGNATURES FROM *TWO* SCHOOL COUNCIL EXECUTIVE ARE *REQUIRED*

| NAME (PLEASE PRINT) | SIGNATURE AND EMAIL ADDRESS | POSITION ON SCHOOL COUNCIL |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
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DATE: _____

Return this completed form to the provincial office by email to parents@albertaschoolcouncils.ca or via fax to 1-780-455-0167 by **April 17, 2018.**
Incomplete or late forms will not be accepted.

*****The proxy holder must be an eligible parent delegate from a current ASCA member school council.*****

Be sure to communicate clearly to your proxy voter how you want your school council votes cast on issue resolutions and/or for the Board of Director elections.

Appendix 3 for 4.: Issue Resolution 2018

Issue Resolutions Preview 2018

Dear Alberta School Councils' Association Parent Members,

The Alberta School Councils' Association (ASCA) advocacy efforts are informed and shaped by provincially relevant resolutions that parents on school councils bring forward, debate, and pass into policy each year at the ASCA Annual General Meeting.

Step 1:

Parents of member school councils draft and submit issue resolution ideas and explanations to the ASCA provincial office. (Draft resolutions may be submitted to the office any time from the first call for resolutions that is issued at the close of one AGM, up to the submission deadline date for the upcoming AGM, which was December 19, 2017.)

Step 2:

Using this Resolutions Preview document, parents, through their ASCA member school councils may discuss, consider review and then provide input to the proposed draft issue resolutions sponsors. (The Preview will also be available on our website at <http://www.albertaschoolcouncils.ca/?page=AGM> so more of your parent community can review it if they wish.)

Step 3:

Further drafts of the issue resolutions that may reflect member input will be posted on the ASCA website on March 12, 2018 as part of the complete set of AGM materials. Your school council parent members decide how your AGM parent delegate or proxy delegate will vote to represent your council on these resolutions and other association business. A number of documents are already posted for your consideration. <http://www.albertaschoolcouncils.ca/?page=AGM>

Please take time to review this year's attached preview. The comments and/or questions of clarification your council parents may have about the proposed resolutions should be forwarded directly to the sponsoring council contact and you may choose to cc ASCA also. Contact sponsors through email using the addresses provided on the Summary Table.

Your input/questions/comments about provincial scope, intent, relevance to school councils, sources of information provided etc. may be considered by the sponsors with respect to their next drafts.

if your council is seeking additional information, some links related to the draft resolution topics are provided in this package.

All input must be sent to sponsors by February 28, 2018.

ASCA thanks you for your valuable participation in the policy setting process.



Appendix 3 for 4.: Issue Resolution 2018

Summary Table

ASCA Board proposed bylaw revisions and advocacy policy updates and member school council proposed draft advocacy issue resolutions for the 2018 ASCA AGM

| # | Title | Sponsor | Email Use these email addresses to contact the issue resolution sponsors with your council's questions and feedback |
|--------|---|---|--|
| P18-01 | Provincial standard for annual criminal record check | Peace Wapiti Academy school council (Peace Wapiti) | Tina Nelson Christinalesley@hotmail.com |
| P18-02 | Cumulative CEU cap per high school student | Peace Wapiti Academy school council (Peace Wapiti) | Tina Nelson Christinalesley@hotmail.com |
| P18-03 | Supports for learning success for all students | Ekota school council (Edmonton Public) | Greta Gerstner Gerstner.andreas@yahoo.ca |
| P18-04 | PRISM ATA Toolkit and Provincial Curriculum Development | Raymond High, Raymond Elementary, Cardston Elementary, Mountain View school councils (Westwind) | Tammy Hill Tjhill5@hotmail.com |
| P18-05 | Monitoring of school established clubs | Raymond High, Raymond Elementary, Cardston Elementary, Mountain View school councils (Westwind) | Tammy Hill Tjhill5@hotmail.com |
| P18-06 | Ensuring healthy food at schools for our children and youth | Belgravia school council (Edmonton Public) | Kim Kelly kpkelly@ualberta.ca |