

**Ardrossan Junior Senior High School
PAC Meeting Minutes
March 12th, 2018**

Call to Order: 6:59 p.m.

In Attendance: Skip Gordon, MJ Nam, Darby Hanson, Rod Leatherdale, Ron Horton, Kate Mullin (student council representative), Glenys Boe, Cathy Farnell, Terri Ann Trouhoubiak

Approval of Minutes from November 27th, 2017 meeting:

Executive Positions – Vice Chair and COSC Representative – unable to fill these positions

Trustee Report

On February 13 and February 21, EIPS hosted drop in information sessions regarding the Wye Elementary replacement school. This is to be built in Heritage Hills, Sherwood Park.

On February 15th, 2018, the board defeated a motion that the junior high per pupil percentage of funding received from Alberta Education and allocated out to schools be adjusted to match the per pupil percentage as elementary and senior high students.

The Board also approved the 2017-2018 Additional Fee Submission for extra-curricular and activity fees. The revised schedule includes updates to the per student fee amounts at various EIPS schools. Field trips are one example. Fees cannot be raised more than 5% without getting approval from Alberta Ed.

EIPS is conducting its annual parent survey March 5th – 22nd, 2018. The survey, which is a supplement to the Alberta Education's Accountability Pillar survey is a chance for all Alberta families to share their thoughts on the overall performance of the division and their school, the quality of education being provided to students and areas of improvement.

As part of the EIPS annual survey this year, French immersion families will also have an opportunity to provide additional feedback specific to the French immersion program. The link to the French immersion survey will be available at the end of the parent survey, and it will also run March 5th – 22nd, 2018.

The Alberta School Councils' Association (ASCA) is inviting its' members to attend the annual School Councils Conference and AGM. It will be held April 20th – 22nd, 2018 at the Delta Edmonton South in Edmonton. Once again the Board will pay the registration fee for one member from each school council.

Administration Report: MJ Nam

See attached report

High School Student Council Report – Kate Mullin

The events the Student Council has hosted since the last meeting:

- Christmas
- Valentines Day
- New Horizons Conference
- Volunteering (Ardrossan Elementary Concert) -Stress Management -Open House -Winter Carnival -Sr. Nights (volleyball and basketball) -Movember

The events the student council will host in the upcoming months:

- PI Day
- St. Patrick's Day
- Ardrossan's Got Talent
- Half-a-ween (was recognized at the New Horizons Conference and will be put in a newsletter that is shared to leadership programs throughout Canada)
- Themed days (hippy day)
- Possible future conference in September

New Business:

1. Question as to the amount of the supervisory fee for lunch hour supervision. It is \$40.

Next Meeting:

- May 14, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned

Administration Report
Ardrossan Jr. Sr. High School Council Meeting
March 12, 2018

Welcome to Ardrossan Jr. Sr. High

Ardrossan welcomes four University of Alberta Student Teachers to our school. Sabrina Kuckertz with Mrs. Rita Purdy, Alexandra Wilkinson with Mr. Siewart, Pamela Stockley with Mrs. Stefiuk and Johanna Mykyte with Mr. Ferguson. We are looking forward to having these student teachers join our school. Welcome to our learning family!

Process for Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences

Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences will be held on Tuesday, March 20 and Wednesday, March 21 from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

We will be using an online booking system, as in the past, to book conferences. The booking code for these interviews is **hjqf**. Bookings will open up on Monday, March 12th at noon.

You will be able to book conferences for both evenings. You will not be allowed to schedule any conferences before that time.

You will need to enter your son's/daughter's name, the class, and teacher with which you would like to schedule a conference. **You are limited to one conference time per teacher. Each conference is 10 minutes in length. If your son/daughter has a particular teacher for more than one subject, please just book one 10 minute time slot. If you need more time with a teacher, please arrange a separate meeting or phone call.** Please do not schedule your conferences "back-to-back". Instead, allow 10 minutes between conferences. This provides "transition time" as you travel from one classroom to another and allows the conferences to stay on schedule. For example, if you book one conference at 5:20 p.m., please do not book your next conference until 5:40 pm. Once your conference is finished at 5:30 p.m., you will have the necessary time to proceed to the next conference.

We suggest you arrive 10-15 minutes prior to your first conference so that you can see which rooms you will be going to for all of your conferences. We will have a school map and students to help you find the correct room. Most teachers will be having conferences in their classrooms, while others may be in the library or gymnasium. The 'room number' will be listed in your confirmation email.

Again, we will be sending out the booking details a week prior to the interviews and information will be posted on our school website. www.ardrossan.ca

Have your say! EIPS Parent Survey Opens March 5

Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) wants to hear from you. Make sure to complete the 2018 Parent Survey—open from March 5-23.

Annually, EIPS conducts a parent survey to gauge its progress towards meeting the goals and priorities outlined in its Three-Year Education Plan. Families are asked a series of questions about their experiences with EIPS and the school their child attends, the overall performance of the Division, the quality of education being provided to students and areas for improvement. The survey feedback helps the Division develop new strategies to better serve students and the wider community.

At the end of the Parent Survey, French immersion families have the opportunity to answer an additional series of questions to provide their feedback on the French immersion programming offered within EIPS.

VISIT WWW.EIPS.CA TO TAKE THE SURVEY

Survey closes March 23, 2018

NOTE: The survey is anonymous and only takes a few minutes to complete. If you want to share the experience of more than one child attending an EIPS school, simply complete the survey again.

Complete the Pre-Enrolment Process: March 1-15

Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) is launching a new pre-enrolment process to simplify the way it registers students for the upcoming year, collects information and manages requests to attend a non-designated school.

On March 1, all EIPS families received an email from the Division asking them to confirm their child's enrolment in a school for the upcoming year by completing the online Returning Student Registration Form—available by logging in to the PowerSchool Parent Portal. Using the form, families can indicate the school their child plans to attend; apply to attend a non-designated school, if applicable; and update any required student information—such as phone numbers, addresses and emergency contacts.

All returning EIPS students are required to complete the form prior to March 15, 2018.

Student Services

DIPLOMA and PAT PREP CLASSES

Check out the Next Step Continuing Education guide for Diploma Prep Courses (for April & June DIPS) and the **NEW** Grade 9 Math PAT prep class. <http://eipscontinuinged.ca/about-us/whats-new/post/new-summer-school-youth-camp-catalogue>

POST-SECONDARY INFORMATION

University of Alberta:

March 1st application deadline for most direct-entry programs

April 1st course registration opens for students who accept their offer

April 15th deadline to submit updated high school courses

April 30th deadline to apply to residence for a guaranteed spot

Students can attend Registration 101 Workshops. Go to:

<http://admissions.ualberta.ca/en/admissions-101/registration-101/RSVP.aspx> to reserve a spot.

April 12th Aboriginal Student Discovery Day- See Mr. MacKinnon (FMNI Coordinator) if you are interested in attending.

NAIT:

March 31st application deadline for Animal Health Technology & Dental Assisting Technology

April 15th application deadline for Emergency Medical Technician & Emergency Technician – Paramedic

MacEwan University:

March 12-17th - Information Session Week students can attend any one of their free information sessions. Full details at MacEwan.ca/InfoSessions.

Norquest College:

NEW* Early Learning and Child Care Diploma – 2 year program

NEW* Medical Office Assistant Certificate Program – 3 months

Concordia University of Edmonton:

May 1st application deadline for Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, Bachelor of Education after degree, Bachelor of Environmental Health after degree

June 30th application deadline for all other programs

International Double Degrees BA/French at Concordia University of Edmonton

NEW* three-year program allows students to begin their Bachelor of Arts degree (French) at Concordia

University of Edmonton, and complete their final year at Université de Bretagne – Sud in France. They will receive a BA/French from CUE and a Licence en Lettres Modernes from **Université de Bretagne – Sud, France**.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Check out the upcoming scholarship deadlines due in March or April on the AJS website under Student Services/Scholarships.

FAMILY SUPPORTS

Family and Community Services is now offering Walk-In counselling sessions. This new service is open to all on a first come, first served basis with no appointment needed. Tuesdays & Thursdays, 11a.m. - 7 p.m. For more information call 780-464-4044 STRATHCONA.CA/COUNSELLING Also try their FREE, professionally facilitated, Drop-In Groups, weekdays 6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m. (Tuesday – Men, Wednesday – Adults, Thursday – Women)

Caregiver Education Sessions

Check out the available **FREE** sessions at www.albertahealthservices.ca. These sessions are intended to provide parents, caregivers, teachers, and community members with basic information about addiction and mental health challenges that can impact children and youth.

Study and Test-Taking Skills

See Student Services/Family Supports on the AJS website for two documents entitled, Study Tips and Test-taking Tips to help support studying at home with your child.

Here are some links and resources to help with your child and studying for exams. Please contact the School Counsellors for an updated Tutor List if needed.

SMORE – this is a collection of great tips and websites

<https://www.smore.com/yqq9n>

Study Skills Checklist

<http://www.educationcorner.com/study-skills-checklist.html>

10 Habits of Highly Successful Students

<http://www.educationcorner.com/habits-of-successful-students.html>

STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

Career Planning - CAREERinsite is your one-stop guide to career planning. Everything you need to plan your work and learning is there. Career planning is the ongoing process of thinking about your skills, interests and dreams. Take online surveys to get to know yourself, explore and compare your career options and make a plan. <https://alis.alberta.ca>

Next Step Continuing Education: Summer School/Youth Camp Registration

Registration for summer school and youth camps will open on **February 26**.

See the link for the online copy:

https://issuu.com/nextstepcontinuingeducation/docs/summer_guide_2018_final

The University of Alberta and Alberta Innovates – Health Solutions (AIHS) invites Grade 11 students currently registered in high school in Alberta and who are enrolled or have completed Math 20-1 or 20-2, and Biology 20 to apply for the **AIHS Heritage Youth Researcher Summer Program (HYRS)**. For further

information visit: <https://www.ualberta.ca/medicine/about/communities/community-engagement/hyrs-student-summer-research-program-2018>

Volunteer Opportunities - Check out the Strathcona County website for volunteer listings: <http://www.ivcstrathcona.org/volunteer-opportunities/> or the Fort Saskatchewan website: <http://volunteerfortsask.ca/category/volunteer-fort-sask>

The Alberta Junior Forest Rangers (JFR) offers an amazing career building opportunity for students, aged 16 – 18 to prepare for their future in a challenging environment with other students from across Alberta. Crew members can expect paid summer employment (\$2700 salary), free accommodation and board, exposure to a broad array of natural resource and science based hands-on work and educational opportunities, training and certifications related to natural resource management careers, and immersion in an outdoor setting for 7 weeks. Applications are available on the website at <https://workwild.ca/2014/01/09/junior-forest-rangers-a-wild-summer-job/> and are due April 1, 2018.

The University of Toronto's Youth Summer Programs (YSP) offers a summer program for high school students to experience what it is like to be a student in Canada's Law or Medical Schools. The YSP are held in July and August on the University of Toronto's campus and range in length from one to five weeks. For more information about content, dates and fees, visit www.ysp.utoronto.ca.

NAV CANADA's Explore Aviation Summer Camp

This summer, 20 girls from across Canada who are entering Grade 10 in fall 2018 will gather in Cornwall, Ontario. Their mission: one week of learning, fun and friendship with a focus on aviation. This all-expenses-paid camp uses hands-on learning to give you the chance to explore exciting careers that will empower you to soar to success after graduation! Camp takes place July 15-20th. Application deadline March 9th. [Learn more](#)

Camp Maskepetoon offers summer camps at Pigeon Lake. For more information check the website at <http://www.campmaskepetoon.com/a-lifetime-of-memories/>

Red Deer College - offers summer programs in Cooking, Music, Science, Sports, Visual Arts, Performing Arts, Teen Film Camp, 3D Animation, and Video Game Design. For more information, check the website at www.rdc.ab.ca/summercamps.

WISEST Summer Research Program – WISEST is pleased to offer the annual summer research program for grade 11 students who want to learn first-hand about trail-blazing fields of study, research and diverse careers. Students work for 6 continuous weeks as a paid research assistant at the U of A. Students must have at least an 85% overall average in their Grade 11 math and sciences courses, and demonstrate initiative, good communication skills, and adaptability. For more information, check the website at <http://www.wisest.u alberta.ca/Programs/SummerResearchProgram.aspx>.

My Child's Learning: Parent resource- www.learnalberta.ca/content/mychildlearning/
Excellent resource from K to 12 – details on learning outcomes and other resources

Update on EIPS Budget:

Awaiting the provincial budget

Fees at Ardrossan Jr. Sr. High for 18/19 – New courses- Esthetician 10, French as a Second Language 9, Cross Fit, Aboriginal Studies 10, General Music 10/20/30, Math 20-1 French Immersion

Drama Production –

Ardrossan Drama Presents *Cyrano de Bergerac by Edmond Rostand.*

Show times:

Wed, March 14 at 7:00 p.m.

Thurs, March 15 at 7:00 p.m.

Fri, March 16 at 7:00 p.m.

Above Show tickets cost \$12 in advance and \$15 at the door.

Sat, March 17 - Dinner (5 p.m.) and theatre show at 7:00 p.m.

Saturday show tickets cost \$35 in advance for dinner and theatre.

*Tickets for **only the show** on Saturday may be purchased online or at the door.*

Young Authors' Conference- AJS students participated in this great conference.

Athletics

Basketball season is coming to an end, and we are looking like we could have some very successful seasons. All of our athletes have grown and improved over the time we have spent together, and we as a school are very proud of all four of our teams.

Badminton is also on the horizon as we look at Basketball coming to an end. Ensure that you get the permission forms returned when they are available. Thank you for all of your interest in Ardrossan Athletics. All of our coaches, parents, and students truly do make this school a great place to be.

Events since November 27 meeting

Spanish Field Trip

Comm Tech Trip to NAIT and Cowan Graphics

Last Day to Withdraw from High School Classes

Drama Jr. High 1 Acts

Band Concert Dec. 5 6:30 p.m.

Football Banquet Dec. 7 6:30 p.m. @ Ardrossan Rec Center

Jr. High Xmas Dance

Winter Break

Part A DIP January

PAT Jan 18 to 25

Grade 9 Bison Fun Day Jan. 26

Semester 2 begins for Grade 9 Jan. 29

Diploma Exams- Jan 22 to Jan. 30

Jan 31 Semester 2 begins

Teacher Convention Feb. 8 and 9

Grad Photos

Basketball season

Jr. High Report Cards

Badminton season

Random Acts of Kindness

Band Pops Concert

Spirit Week

Pink Shirt Day

Gwynne Dyer Presentation – High School

Band Jazz Night

Archery Tournaments

Cheer Tournaments

Upcoming Events

Running Room Indoor Games

Cyrano de Bergerac – a.d.c Wednesday to Saturday

Parent Teacher Student Interviews – March 20 and 21

Jr. High Dance March 22 p.m.

Carnaval March 22 p.m.

Spring Break

Easter

2nd Sitting – Diplomas – April

AJS Band to Niagara/Toronto

Jr. High Digital Report Cards

Band Festivals

AJS got Talent

Science – Reynolds Museum – Grade 8