

Ardrossan Junior Senior High School
PAC Meeting Minutes
September 13, 2021

In Attendance: MJ Nam (Principal), Paul Schwartz (Assistant Principal), Lonnie Hicks (Assistant Principal), Ron Horton (Teacher Representative), Bailey A. (Student Council Representative), Jackie Anderson (Chair), Jennie March (Vice-Chair), Carolyn Van Kleek (CPF Representative), Wendy Marty, Kasia Spiker, Heather Bayne, Angela Ayers, Lisa Slywka, Anna Nygren, Colleen Seetoo, Crystie Wright, Jen Todoschuk, Jennifer Kennedy, Alicia Ponciano, Katherine Dziwenka, Celeste Burdinsky, Tasha Baker, Sherilyn Danis, Val Ulliac, Tracey Silliker, Cathy Farnell

1. Call to Order: 6:30 p.m.
2. Welcome and Introduction
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes of May 10, 2021 meeting
5. Positions – Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, COSC Representative, CPF Representative

Jackie Anderson confirmed that she would let her name stand for Chair and was acclaimed as Chair.

Jennie March confirmed that she would let her name stand for Vice-Chair and was acclaimed as Vice-Chair.

Wendy Marty confirmed that she would put her name forward for Secretary and was acclaimed as Secretary.

Jackie Anderson confirmed that she would let her name stand for COSC Representative and was acclaimed as COSC Representative.

Carolyn Van Kleek confirmed that she would let her name stand for CPF Representative and was acclaimed as CPF Representative.

Thank you to all of these ladies for stepping forward to assist.
6. COSC Report – Jackie Anderson
 - The first COSC meeting will be on October 6th from 6:30 to 8:30.
7. Trustee Report

Jackie noted that the municipal election which is being held this year includes School Trustees.
8. Student Council Report – Bailey A.
 - See attached report.

Bailey was asked how students participate if they don't have social media. She confirmed that for many events posters at the school give notice, but that some events, such as an Instagram event, require social media to participate.

9. Teacher Report – Ron Horton

- See attached report.

10. Admin Report - MJ Nam

- See attached report.

There was a question asked about standardized testing in the absence of the PATs and Diploma Exams. MJ Nam confirmed that the MIPI is used to benchmark math progress and that STAR for literacy.

There was a question as to whether there will be Diploma Exams if classes go online. MJ confirmed that decision would not be made at the EIPS or Ardrossan Sr. High School level.

There was a question as to how many positive cases of COVID the school has had this year. MJ will look into that and provide that information.

There will be a Virtual Grad Meeting during the week of October 18 to 22. More information to follow.

The school is looking into options to allow parents to watch the students' sports games online.

Assignments for students unable to attend class should be on Brightspace. If the information is not there, please contact the teacher(s).

There was a question as to whether families will be informed if there is a positive COVID case in your child's classroom. MJ Nam confirmed that students in a class will be informed of a positive case.

Meet the teacher was cancelled due to limiting the numbers of people coming into the School at this time. More information is being put together about the teachers to be sent to parents. A parent noted that teachers have been doing a great job sending out email communications.

The Grad video for 2021 is almost ready to be sent out.

Reminder to keep students home if they have any symptoms.

If parents have other questions, please email MJ Nam.

11. New Business – None

12. Old Business – None

13. CPF Report –

- CPF meeting will be held in October.

14. Next Meeting – November 22, 2021 6:30 p.m. Plan for Google Meet for now.

15. Adjournment – 7:18 p.m.

Student Council Report September 2021

Introduction: Hello my name is Bailey Anderson, I am in grade 10, and I am the Student Council Parent Liaison.

- The Student Council has had 2 meetings so far this year.
- During the first meeting each student introduced themselves, and gave their opinion on why they thought they would be a good contributor to the Student Council.
- We then selected positions (president, vice president, secretary, volunteer coordinator, and social media director) by allowing anyone to nominate themselves for the positions. Each person then had to talk about why they thought they would be the best candidate for that role, and then we had all the council members vote anonymously.
- We will all be communicating using an app called Whatsapp.
- Our meetings have been moved from lunch time on Tuesdays to Wednesday mornings at 7:15 am.
- During the second meeting the president and vice president discussed taking inventory of what we have in storage.
- Welcome Week has been planned. It will start on Monday September 13th. Monday-Thursday there will be a virtues scavenger hunt. Letters that spell out the words will be hidden around the school. Monday and Wednesday will be in English, while Tuesday and Thursday will be in French. The first person to send in a complete word will get a swag bag. Monday-Friday will have baby picture-guessing on our school's Instagram. We will possibly be having a tug of war on Wednesday, and a hotdog lunch. On Friday we will also be handing out treats on desks, and teacher appreciation treats.
- We had one of our student council members be the mascot at the football game on September 9th.

- Last but not least we have made up our Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Mental Health Committees. They will plan certain events related to each holiday and event. Last year the Mental Health Committee planned events to inform students about healthy relationships, and other mental health related topics.

Ardrossan Jr/Sr High School Parent Council

Teachers' Report

Submitted: September 13, 2021

By: Ron Horton

1. We are off to a busy start
2. Teachers are continuing with safety protocols such as disinfecting desks and encouraging hand sanitizing. EIPS has mandated that masks are mandated for all staff, students, and visitors. We welcome your encouragement of the correct wearing and handing of masks.
3. Our student council is up and running and Mrs. Stefiuk is volunteering with our students for that. Our Student Council representative will give a full report during this meeting.
4. Athletics are in full-swing and several teachers are volunteering to coach our student athletes.
5. Teachers continue to provide a great education to our AJS students and always welcome parent contact and your support.

**Administration Report
Ardrossan School Council
September 13, 2021 6:30 p.m. Virtual**

Welcome/Introduction

- Thank you for becoming involved!
- Open door policy-communication is key-website-newsletter-Bison Tracks -Parent Portal
- Decisions made based on what is best for the student(s) individually as well as in the big picture with all students

Current Status and Issues:

- enrolment now at approximately 860- Total
138- grade 7, 136 - grade 8, 186-grade 9, 126- grade 10, 130- grade 11, 148- grade 12

Summer projects

Ventilation maintenance
2 modulars
Re-wiring project

School Education Plan:

Every 3 years, all schools in Alberta develop a School Education Plan (SEP)

In EIPS, our School Education Plan process is now combined with the School Results report and is submitted every 3 years

Our SEP was developed based on current Alberta Education goals, EIPS goals, our students' need, our school needs and current situation, the programs we are able to offer, and the resources we have

Staff have been working together to determine priorities, and then administrative team put it all together

Plan has been submitted to the superintendent

Plan is in the first of three years

Based on Accountability Survey in grade 7 and 10 and STAR/MIPI

3 School Goals:

GOAL 1:

For all students to experience growth and success in the areas of literacy and numeracy by continuing to build a culture of school-wide collaboration

GOAL 2:

Building teacher capacity to improve student learning experiences, engagement, and differentiation through a variety of innovative instructional practices over the course of a school year.

GOAL 3:

Enhance public education by increasing community involvement, encouraging a culture of social responsibility, and developing empathetic citizens.

Feedback or questions?

Student - Parent - Teacher Conferences: This year we want to welcome you to our Student - Parent - Teacher Conferences in October
What can you expect at the first conference dates? October 19 and 21- will allow an 8 minute sharing of information. Please use the schoolinterviews.ca to schedule your 8 minutes for each child starting on **Friday, October 15 at 4 p.m.** until **Tuesday, Oct. 19 @ 9 a.m.**

PAT results and Diploma Results-N/A

Safety

Thank you to all families for keeping all our kids safe- COVID Protocols
 Parking lots and slowing down

New staff

Welcome to Mr. Matt MacRae- FI -FLA, Math and Science, Ms. Katelyn Monea- Jr. High PE and Fashion, Mr. Joel Short- Commercial Foods, Mrs. Sandi Lamoureux-Cafeteria Assistant, Mrs. Elaine Best- EA and Ms. Rachel McFadden- Library Technician

Events previous

Grade level meetings
 Welcome week- Apple Day, Cookie Day, Hat Day, Bison Pride Wear
 Bison Pride GSA-Thank you to Mme Robinson
 Picture Day-Icon
 Volleyball has begun

Future Events

Student Fee Invoice online
 Health 7 DARE presentations
 X-country runs
 Oct. 5 - World Teacher Day
 Read in Week-October 4 to 8
 PST interviews Oct. 19 and 21
 Monday, Oct. 18 - Professional Learning day- no classes
 Oct. 12- Jr. High and Sr. High Awards Recognition
 Picture retake- Oct. 7
 COVID Vaccination Clinic - Oct. 4