

**Ardrossan Junior Senior High School**  
**PAC Meeting Minutes**  
**March 14, 2022**

In Attendance: MJ Nam (Principal), Paul Schwartz (Assistant Principal), Lonnie Hicks (Assistant Principal), Jackie Anderson (Chair), Jennie March (Vice-Chair), Wendy Marty (Secretary), Heather Bayne, Susan Miller (School Trustee), Dayna McGeachy, Crystie Wright, Tracey Cyca, Ron Horton (Teacher Rep.), Cathy, Bailey A., Lisa Slyarks, Dave and Angela Ayers, Meghan Anderson, Wendi Crowe

1. Call to Order: 6:35 pm
2. Welcome and Introduction
3. Approval of Agenda
  - Tracey made the motion to approve the agenda. Angela seconded.
4. Approval of Minutes (January 31, 2022)
  - Jennie made the motion to approve the minutes. Angela seconded.
5. COSC Report – Jackie Anderson
  - See attached report.
6. Trustee Report – Susan Miller
  - See attached report
7. Student Council Report- Bailey A.
  - See attached report.
8. Teacher Report- Ron Horton
  - See attached report.
9. Administration Report – Miss MJ Nam
  - See attached report.
10. New Business
  - a. Updated 4-Year EIPS Education Plan - see COSC updates
    - i. 2022 wraps up education plan, takes place 2023 to 2027
  - b. School Council Student Ambassador opportunity
    - i. thought to have a student ambassador to share option about options classes to get a better idea what is available to students
    - ii. another idea that some school have a different teacher present each month about the class that they teach about, focused chat about what they teach in the class
  - c. Hard to find information and follow on the website. If parents have questions, please contact Mr Hicks for clarification on who to contact.
11. Old Business
  - a. Assurance Review - nothing to add
  - b. School Fee feedback for 2022-2023 - covered by admin report
12. CPF Report
  - a. Continuing fundraising for events
  - b. support elementary and also Jr/Sr high School French speaking students
  - c. sleepover camp in May, hopefully CPF can support this camp
13. Next Meeting – May 9, 2022 6:30 pm.
14. Jennie made motion to adjourn at 7:24 pm.

## COSC Highlights – March 2022

### Board Report – Trina Boymook

- Upcoming virtual ASCA Conference and AGM – board will once again be sponsoring 1 rep from each school council
- February 7: board met with Sherwood Park mayor to discuss Strathcona County schools and Covid responses
- The board will be attending the Vegreville Chamber of Commerce meeting with trustee Randy Footz; they will meet with town council in May, 2022
- The board met on February 25 for budget presentations; there has been a 1.7% increase but remember that the budget is spread over a 3-year period
- Delay in the release of the funding manual until the end of March
- No real details just yet but there is promise of commitments to curriculum implementation, student wellbeing and student transportation
- Alberta government has just announced it is moving into Phase 2 of its lifting of Covid protocols
- The public is now welcome to attend the March 17 board meeting in person
- Board meetings will no longer be offered via live-stream
- Parent, Jacquie Surgenor thanked Chair Boymook on behalf of Sherwood Heights Junior High for meeting with the MLA to advocate for their school and its many needs

### ATA Report – Deneen Zielke

- There has been a provincial increase in funding to private and charter schools and homeschooling programs; this results in a decrease in funding and has a dramatic effect on public education
- March 11 and 12: Zielke extended an invitation to COSC parents to attend a political engagement seminar

### ASCA Update – Krista Scott & Jacquie Surgenor

- April 22 and 23: annual ASCA Conference
- April 24: AGM
- Keynote speakers are in place and numerous breakout sessions are available (many on curriculum, emotional de-escalation, raising resilient kids)
- Information available on ASCA website
- Participants can sign up for individual breakout sessions rather than attending entire conference (new this year)
- Potential to have 1 school council rep attend conference and 1 attend the AGM

### Caregiver Series

- Virtual and free for parents

### School Council Grant Update

- 14 schools have granted funding to COSC
- Tentatively booked Jody Carrington for a virtual parental engagement session on March 22 at 6:00 pm – this is open to ALL parents of EIPS

### Covid 19 Update – Mark Liguori, Superintendent

- Alberta government has announced that Phase 2 is moving forward
- Cohorting has been removed and extra-curricular and group settings are now open
- COSC April meeting will be offered as in-person and virtual hybrid
- EIPS continues to promote good hand hygiene and extra cleaning of facilities
- Continue to stay home if unwell

### Updated 4-Year Education Plan – Trina Boymook, Board Chair

- 4,325 parent responses, 1,351 staff responses, numerous student responses from survey
- MISSION: to provide high quality, student-centered education (supported with 7 belief statements that support this rather than values)
- Priority 1,2 and 3 remain the same with most changes happening within the outcomes of the goals (cleaning up the language)

### Next Steps for 4-Year Education Plan – Sandra Stoddard, Assoc Superintendent

- Key performance measures for outcomes in the 4-year education plan
- EIPS developing a rigorous evaluation plan
- Need to include key priority strategies for the 2022/2023 school year
- May 31: must upload 4-year plan to Alberta Education and EIPS public website
- Parental engagement in surveys really does result in EIPS reading every comment and looking at majority of replies

## MARCH 2022 TRUSTEE REPORT

University of Alberta's Department of Elementary Education are hosting a two-part 'crash course' to help members of the general public assess the strengths and areas of concern in the draft K-6 curriculum in order to support meaningful public discussion and informed feedback to the provincial government.

The first panel took place online at 6:30 p.m. MT on Tuesday, Feb. 22, where attendees heard from subject matter experts Dr. Lynn McGarvey (Math), Dr. Kathy Robinson (Music) and Dr. Carla Peck (Social Studies). The second panel discussion on Tuesday, March 15 will examine the topic areas of physical education and wellness, science and English language arts. A Q&A follows each presentation.

These sessions are especially geared to parents, grandparents, and anyone else worried about the direction of K-12 education in Alberta," said Dr. Peck. "The draft, if implemented, will impact teachers, students, and families for years to come. It's crucial that as many people as possible understand the curriculum development process and the ways in which this curriculum draft departs from current models and best practices.

**What:** 'Crash Course' on Draft K-6 Curriculum, Part 2

**When:** Tuesday, March 15, 2022, 6:30 p.m. MT | online

**Who:** U of A Elementary Education professors Drs. Hayley Morrison & Doug Gleddie (Physical Education & Wellness), Drs. Mijung Kim & Jerine Pegg (Science), Drs. Linda Laidlaw & Suzanna Wong (English Language Arts & Literacy)

**Registration:** <https://bit.ly/3uSzUoz>

We the Board continue to advocate for the delay and revision of the curriculum, although the announcement by Minister LaGrange on March 10th, would indicate the government is going ahead with implementing K-3 Math and English curriculums this fall.

Elk Island Public Schools has entered a partnership that will see Clover Bar Junior High welcome grades 6 and 7 students from École Claudette-et-Denis-Tardif to share school space starting in the 2022-23 school year, while awaiting the construction of the K-12 school. The students in grades 6 and 7 will have a dedicated wing in Clover Bar Junior High, as well as access to some shared spaces. In the 2023-24 school year, Clover Bar Junior High will expand to include Grade 8 students and Grade 9 students in 2024-25 school year. The CSCN's new francophone K-12 school in Sherwood Park will open in time for the 2025-26 school year.

On February 27, 2022, the Board approved sponsoring the registration fee for school council members to take part in the 2022, Alberta School Council's Association (ASCA) School Council Conference and Annual General Meeting. The conference takes place April 22-24. The Board will fund the cost of one registration fee per **school council – up to a maximum of \$5,000.** **The registration deadline is April 8, 2022.**

The Board has been reviewing the Four-Year Education Plan and has made some changes. The mission statement has been shortened, it now reads “To provide high-quality student-centered education.” One of the proposed changes is on Priority 3 – Goal 1 – Parent Engagement, which would see the word parent replaced with the word caregiver. Your comments and feedback to the Board on this proposed change is encouraged and appreciated.

# Student Council Report March 2022

## **Mental Health Committee:**

- Pink shirt day was on February 23rd, and any students wearing pink could participate in playing a punch board to win prizes.
- We have built a trivia wheel for women's day and teen mental health day.
- Trans visibility week with informational posts and a decorated school lobby will happen from March 21st-24th

## **Monthly Madness:**

- We will have a stick man drawing contest that will take place in the gym on March 24th.
- Students will sign up on a google form and it will be a version of pin the tail on the donkey however, they will only be allowed to draw one limb at a time.
- We have started planning for western week. We still need to gain teacher approval to help host the events. Students who sign up will be able to participate in rodeo activities at lunch. These will include a nerf gun shooting game, bouncy ball horse races, horseshoe toss, barrel racing, roping, shootout and cow milking.
- By participating in these activities students will acquire gold coins and will be able to exchange them for prizes.
- Other ideas are a penny fair in the courtyard once weather becomes warmer, and trivia day where students will get an Aha (a carbonated water.)

## **Study Buddy:**

- Starting to reach out to teachers, we are finding a new method so teachers may sign up students who they think are suiting for the program.

## **Valentines Report:**

**We spent \$388 on all the roses and punch board items, however we gained \$454 back from selling roses and the punch board.**

## **Easter:**

- Pastel day on April 12
- An Easter egg hunt on April 14th
- And a shuffle cup post will be on the schools instagram from April 11-14th.

## **Talent Show:**

- Posters have been made and will be put up around the school.
- The talent show is set to go forward.

## **St Patrick's Day:**

- Clover scavenger hunt around the school

- Green slurpees in the cafeteria
- Highest percentage of students in a class wearing green obtains a prize
- Budget of \$100
- This will happen on March 17th

### **Parade:**

- Student council will be decorating a trailer.
- The theme for the float/trailer is birthday party
- It will be a big cake with a huge 75 on top
- We will all dress like we are going to a birthday party

### **Mothers Day:**

- May 5th from 6:30-8:30.
- There will be baked goods, tea, planting plants, and a photo booth.
- A raffle will also take place and any proceeds will be donated to a women's center.
- Also considering nominations for important females in individuals lives which will be put into a draw.

### **Fathers Day:**

- Will be on June 20th
- We have thought of a baked potato sale and root beer float bar with lawn games for this event.

## Report to Ardrossan Jr/Sr High School Parent Council

By: Ron Horton, Teacher Representative

March 14, 2022

Staff and students are all looking forward to the warmer weather and longer days as February and March come to an end. Teachers enjoyed being students, themselves, during those months with two days of learning during Teachers' Convention in February and additional day of professional development on March 4.

The basketball season is winding down and Ardrossan continues to be a formidable force at all levels. Our Senior High Women's team, led by Coach St. Peter, even won the city championship! Junior High teams are also battling this week for various championships. We all know that sport improves emotional, physical, and mental well-being of students and we are thankful to the teachers who are volunteering countless hours in planning and coaching.

Last week, the Grade 9 social studies classes were treated to a presentation by the editorial cartoonist, Fred Curatolo. Mr. Curatolo taught students how to draw and interpret editorial cartoons. He demonstrated his technique and students had the opportunity to try their hand at drawing some political cartoons.

Today is "Pi Day". Teachers in the math department treated students to numerous activities to celebrate the day and the number 3.141592.....

Over the past two months, several Ardrossan teachers have been collaborating with their colleagues from around the school division to create common final exams for high school students in core subjects. The product of this will help to enrich student learning and lead to more consistency within EIPS assessments.

Parent-Student-Teacher interviews take place on March 22 and 23 and teachers are looking forward to great conversations with students and parents.

We are truly appreciative of the support that Ardrossan parents give us and welcome you to contact us with any questions or concerns that you may have. It is an honour to be able to teach your child.



**Administration Report  
Ardrossan Jr. Sr. High School Council Meeting  
March 14, 2022**

Welcome to Ardrossan Jr. Sr. High

Ardrossan welcomes University of Alberta Student Teachers to our school.

Courtney Bullerkist with Mrs. Stock, Scott Gourley with Mrs. Powell, Dinesan Vannarapurayil with Mr. Short and Ms. Stefiuk and Halle Singh with Mrs. Gustafson complete their practicum on April 29, while Julia Van Ingen and Veronica Vetsch (French Immersion student teachers) finish on April 22.

**Process for Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences**

Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences will be held on Thursday, March 22 and 23 -5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

We will be using an online booking system, as in the past, to book conferences. Bookings opened up today on Wednesday, March 16 4 p.m. Please note that there may be in- person or phone call or strictly phone call appointments.

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 8 minutes in length. If your son/daughter has a particular teacher for more than one subject, please just book one 8 minute time slot. If you need more time with a teacher, please arrange a separate phone call and or meeting.

**Update on EIPS Budget:**

Awaiting the provincial budget and funding manual

Registration and course information has gone out. Thank you for choosing the courses that are needed and wanted into PS as this is what creates the timetable.

Fees consultation and summary of feedback- See below- 16 responses online last year- This year 41 responses.

Thank you for taking the time to all of our families for feedback on next year's fees.

Pre-registration for 2022-2023- Closed boundary school Awaiting approximately 830 students

EIPS Jr. High Honors Program Grade 8 and 9- System program and was not enough interest from families. Please note that we as a staff will need to sit down and collaborate and plan for next year together before any other decisions at the school level are made.

PST March 22 and 23 5 to 8 p.m. In-person or via phone- see email tomorrow to all families for booking.

**Fee survey 2022-23**

<p><b>Given that we charge a cost recovery for field trips, how many field</b></p>	<p><b>How much are you willing to spend per field trip? The fee includes cost of the activity as well as substitute costs</b></p>	<p><b>Do you have any other feedback about field trips and co-curricular activities?</b></p>	<p><b>To support these activities, how much are you willing to spend per student? Presently, the one</b></p>
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trips would you support in one school year?	and the per student cost of the bus.ie. Bus costs can range from \$5 to \$10 per student for 1 class- \$2.50 to \$5 per student for 2 classes on a bus		time fee for each school year is \$20 per student.
Three or four	\$20 per trip		\$20
Five or more	\$30 or more		\$10
One or two	\$30 or more		\$10
Three or four	\$20 per trip		\$20
Five or more	\$30 or more		\$20
One or two	\$20 per trip		\$20
One or two	\$10 per trip	No	\$20
Five or more	\$20 per trip		\$10
Five or more	\$30 or more	this is necessary for effective learning	\$20
Three or four	\$20 per trip		\$20
One or two	\$20 per trip		\$0
One or two	\$30 or more	It would be good if the feildtrip was planned to be longer that the one period that the students have. However I understand it is better not to miss class	\$20
Five or more	\$20 per trip		\$15
As many as you plan, happily	As much as is charged, happily	I appreciate being able to provide input and understand how much work and effort it takes to plan these types of events. I am very hopeful that the majority of	\$20

		parents will be supportive.	
Three or four	Depends on the trip		\$20
One or two	\$20 per trip		\$10
Five or more	\$30 or more		\$20
One or two	\$20 per trip	The last question is an odd question: depending on the level of learning, I would be willing to pay more for for a field trip. It's a redundant question because it was no real financial meaning related to value.	Student activity fees should not have a charge.
Three or four	\$15 per trip		\$10
Five or more	\$30 or more		\$20
One or two	\$15 per trip		\$20
I would appreciate the teachers and administrators expertise. Some classes like Art, Social studies and Science may find great opportunity in a trip to museum or park. While Math and Phys-ed might find they do not benefit.	\$20 per trip	Our proximity to Edmonton and other fantastic sites like the local natural areas in the county offer fantastic learning opportunities.	\$20
Three or four	\$20 per trip	Continue to provide exposure to local history and culture	\$20
Three or four	\$30 or more	No	\$20
Five or more	\$30 or more	no	\$20
Three or four	\$30 or more		\$20

Three or four	\$20 per trip	Sports acceleration program is disappointing for the extra fees. Spent weeks watching movies, free time and in the language lab. What did the fees pay for?	\$20
Three or four	\$20 per trip		\$20
One or two	\$20 per trip	More field trips for gym than other programs	\$15
Three or four	\$20 per trip		\$15
Three or four	\$20+ per trip for sure. It all depends on the trip.		\$20
Five or more	\$30 or more	Hoping more can be offered this year, and that some can be offered e.g. Bamfield & Quebec for students who missed these in their usual grade.	\$20
as many as are necessary for the designed course	\$30 or more	Field trips and co-curricular activities enhance the learning of students and I support them.	\$20
Three or four	\$20 per trip	no	\$20
Three or four	\$30 or more		\$20
One or two	\$20 per trip		\$20
Three or four	\$20 per trip		\$20
Three or four	\$30 or more		\$20
One or two	\$30 or more		\$20
Whatever the teacher deems appropriate, minimum 3 to 4.	Whatever the teacher deems appropriate. Could be 1 very expensive one	They are important to create fun and interest in learning, and to get to	I would pay more than \$20 if it was used appropriately.

	and several less expensive ones.	know teachers and other students outside of schools. Good for team building/learning in different ways.	
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