



École Secondaire Beaumont Composite High School Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 8, 2023

Minutes of the École Secondaire Beaumont Composite High School Parent Advisory Board, held on Wednesday, November 8, 2023 at 7:00pm in the Staff Room at 5417 43 Avenue Beaumont, AB T4X 1K1.

School Council Present:

Chairperson: Stephanie Bailey
Secretary: Danielle Salmon
Treasurer: Tasha Chehayeb
Fundraising Representative: Kristin Clark

Susan Culver: via Zoom

Also present:

School Trustee: Robyn Steed
Superintendent - Bill Romynchuk
Principal: Chris Stiles
Staff Representatives: Kristi Nelson & Laurel Osness
Student Representative: Brenna O'Donaghue
Lynnsey Russell

Absent:

Vice-Chair: Anwar Haq

Approval of agenda

The Chair called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone present at 7:01pm
With the approval of the school council, the agenda was approved without changes.

Minutes of the last meeting, held September 27, 2023



Approval of the minutes of the last meeting of the École Secondaire Beaumont Composite High School Council, held September 27, 2023, were deferred to next meeting.

Agenda Items

Reports

School Board Trustee's Report: Robyn Steed

Highlights of Trustee's report:

- The Board of trustees met with Leduc city councillors to strengthen relationships
- They also met with Maskwacis Education Schools Commission (MESC) to deepen understanding of Indigenous culture & find cross division opportunities between students
- School council event at the Maclab in October highlighted parental engagement as a hot topic
- School tours: met in Calmar and Leduc
- Superintendent interviews continue due to retirement of Bill Romanchuk at the end of 2023. Candidates have been shortlisted
- International students from Japan coming in the Spring: looking for families to volunteer - email Robyn: robyn.steed@blackgold.ca
- More details can be found here: <https://www.blackgold.ca/fall-2023-trustee-newsletter/>

Superintendent/CEO Report: Bill Romanchuk

Highlights of Bill Romanchuk's report:

- Approved modular for Beaumont Comp HS to help with extra students
- Collegiate school is coming up in Calmar: opening date will be Sep 2025
- Japan exchange students coming for 10 weeks
- Principal Chris Stiles thanked Bill for his many years of service as his retirement approaches
- More on the Superintendent report [here](#).

Student Representative Report: Brenna O'Donaghue

Highlights of the student representative report:

- Orange Shirt Day with Joel Woods performance was a hit. Loved the friendship dance opportunity and drumming circle. Played cultural songs instead of O Canada.
- Drama program: hosted haunted house and raised a successful amount of donations.
- Halloweek was a success with QR codes & live band
- Nov 24th: SAP club is doing the Make A Move event. Rowing Running Walking Biking - continuous movement for Stollery Hospital. Henna tattooing, COS lab will be offering manicures
- Dec 19th will feature a Unified Sports Bocceball tournament.
- Drama Club : Drowsy Chaperone is now selling tickets for the Fall break. Tix on sale on school website

Principal's Report: Chris Stiles

Highlights of the Principal's report:

- Did you know our school Instagram account is the most followed out of Black Gold?



- Basketball and Swimming are ongoing: shoutout to coaches and volunteer hours!
- SAP club: Niskew Beaumont Xmas elves asking students/parents to contribute. SAP & Leadership work so well together. Thank you!
- Grad update: parent meeting in Oct had great turnout. More info on Grad on school website under graduation.
- Grad hoodie submissions this week. We're hoping the grant money will come in.
- Request to extend review of the teacher "wish list" to January 2024 instead of now so we can put it to the Leadership kids for feedback first.
- Locked door policy is going great.
- Review of the meaning behind Emergency protocols: Shelter in place etc.
- Shelter in place medical: there is an animated video that explains this. Mr Stiles will highlight one of each kind of emergency protocol each month for families.
- School Assurance Plan will be presented at January meeting
- New Smudging policy: smudging will be offered voluntarily at lunch hour for students who are interested. Parents will be notified.
- Read more at the Principal's corner on the website here: <https://esbchs.blackgold.ca/about/principals-corner/>

Wellness Report: Kristi Nelson

Highlights of the Wellness report:

- My Blueprint software:
 - Big push to get parents on this program. Could be a great way to connect with our kids
 - Kristi has given presentations in block 2 all month on the program
 - 76% of student body have activated accounts. By Christmas we want 100% of our students on activated accounts
 - Mentorship program is being revamped - matching grade 10's with grade 12's. We're collecting recommendations for grade 10's from teachers
 - New student services instagram account has been launched with mental health resources. @esbchsstudentservices
 - "Girls only" Wednesday in Fitness Centre was well received
 - Wellness theme months are being promoted on IG

Treasurer's Report: Tasha Chehayeb

Unchanged - no activity to report

Old Business

Traffic concerns

- Extensive conversation by all members on the subject of traffic around the school.
 - Parents are parking in bus lane up front. Parents don't drive away, just move forward. Lots of honking. Double lane to exit becomes blocked.
 - Potential solutions were discussed.



- Tasha Chehayeb has drafted a letter to Beaumont City Council including suggestions to all our current parking/traffic issues. Principal Chris Stiles and Superintendent Bill Romanchuk will endorse the letter.

School nutrition program

- Ability for parents to donate via the school portal is working
- Staff are volunteering which is appreciated
- Could we get a letter to bring to community businesses for donations? More to update at next meeting

New Business

Motion #1: (Stephanie Bailey) Motion to fill secretary role: Danielle Salmon
Seconded (Tasha Chehayeb)
12 in favor/0 opposed/0 abstention. Motion Carries

Motion #2: (Stephanie Bailey) to accept audited financials
Seconded (Lynnsey Russell)
12 in favor/0 opposed/0 abstention. Motion Carries

Set goals for school council

- \$500 ASCE: Alberta School Council Engagement Grant
- Discussion to be continued at January meeting

Increase participation and accessibility at our meetings

- Hybrid Meeting: Danielle will set us up for hybrid meetings with a meeting owl and offer a public zoom link for parents with Google Meet link for parents to join.
- Chris Stiles to create meeting link to distribute

Date of next meeting

The Chair confirmed that the next meeting will be held on January 24, 2024.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned by Chair at 8:20pm.

Minutes recorded by: Danielle Salmon