



## Meadow Ridge School Council Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Thursday, Jan 19, 2023

**In attendance:** Bryce Godenir, Sarah Larsen, Kristi Lundquist, Connie Drake, Shannon Gosse, Kristi Nutter

**Administration:** Lisa Penzo, Rebecca Forchuk

**Meeting called to order:** 6:39

### Welcome and Introductions

Still looking for parents to fill the roles of Vice Chair

### Approval of agenda

Motion to approve minutes by Sarah. Second by Connie.

### Meadow Ridge Leadership update

#### New Faculty

VP Lauren Frandle

Learning Commons Facilitator – Lucy Critcheley

#### Success

FNMI January 25.

Dallas Arcand performs 3x World Champion Hoop Dancer, musician, singer, songwriter, producer, flutist, and storyteller from Morinville.

#### Read-A\_thon

Several Guest Readers: Mayor, Superintendents & Directors, Author Visit

#### LeNs Assessment and PAT Analysis

Each Div Level analyzed their data sets and made goals for improvement



## Support

- Learning Coach Support
- BLAST Intervention Program – elementary
- Sexual Health Centre – Bullying, LGBTQ+
- Minds Matter = Vaping and Substance Abuse

## Engagement

- Parents Survey – 95 responses
  - o Volunteers
  - o School council Zoom/Daytime Meeting
  - o Class sizes, number of classrooms, size of parking lot, population / boundary
  - o Communication

## Updates – Trustee Report from Lisa Penzo

### STUDENT SAFETY IS POLICY

We are ensuring everyone has a sense of belonging in their school. The Board of Trustees are consulting the public as they revise Policy 14, A Place for All.

We need you to share the message that everyone, regardless of sex, gender, religion, abilities, or creed, are welcome at FSD.

The revised policy will be launched in early 2023.

### STANDING UP FOR EDUCATION

In recent weeks, the Board of Trustees and Executive Team have attended conferences and meetings, with student success top-of- mind:

- Town of Okotoks regarding location for a new high school.
- CTCRSD - facing similar issues with insurance, transportation, mandates, Calgary land annexations.
- ASBA FGM- Address health mandates
- ARMIC - Securing a lower insurance rate for 2022-2023
- School Councils & COSC - gathering your voice on school issues and successes



## LEARNING THAT TRANSFERS

When you were in school, how many times did you ask yourself, "when am I ever going to use this in the real world?"

We don't want our students to question the relevance of their studies. That's why we allocate resources to learning that transfers.

Dual credit, technology-advanced, safety-oriented, and culture-based programs are relevant and accessible to ensure our students are prepared for success.

- Indigenous Learning
- Innovation & Design
- Nature-based Learning
- Fine Arts
- Digital & Blended Learning
- Literacy & Numeracy
- Montessori
- & more opportunities

## FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY

Our 2021-2022 Audited Financial Statement was approved November 30, 2022. Get the details here: [bit.ly/ESDafs22](https://bit.ly/ESDafs22)

### Reducing operating costs

2022/23 insurance premium was reduced nearly \$1M from 2021/22. This amount is significantly higher than many other divisions, to floods 2013.

Additional funding for insurance would return operating funds back into classrooms

Get involved: [bit.ly/FSDAdvocacy](https://bit.ly/FSDAdvocacy)

### New Business

Motion for Town all request to Chris for Boundary Review / capacity discussion

Motion by Connie, second by Shannon

**Meeting Adjourned at 7:50 PM**

