Blackie School Council Meeting Minutes – September 15, 2025

Started at 10:00am In Attendance: Faye Holt, John Evans, Carmen, Keilidh, Tamara, Yvonne, Amy, Megan, Chelsea, Natalie

School Leadership Report – Faye

- 98 students registered
- Newly hired grade K-1 teacher has resigned
 - o Margaret Speilman has stepped in to teach until the position has been filled
- Learning Focus Education Plan
 - Literacy intervention program
- Were granted K-4 licenses for AI reading coach Amira
 - Teacher learning session tomorrow
 - o Part of BLT, each kid will get a license
- Calendar of events
 - o Emailed out regularly to parents
- Parent Questions/Wonders
 - o Teacher strike contingency plan?
 - Can't publicly share much right now

Trustee Report - John

- Has had one board meeting this school year
- \$100,000 grant for Highwood High School
 - Supporting culinary arts/kitchen upgrades
- FSD staff working with teachers on new social studies curriculum over the summer
 - "field testing" new program this year
- FSD won award from the Canadian Mental Health Association for workplace wellness
- Heritage Heights new playground is open with celebration last week
- Footnotes can read online
 - This month about being a trustee

New Business

- Summer and start of the year legislation changes
 - Division is still deciding how to roll out legislation
 - o Communication will come directly from FSD (Check your emails)
- "Better Together" town meeting with NDP in Okotoks
 - o On September 18 at 6:30pm
 - Register online if you want to attend
- Opinions from parents on inviting MLA to attend school council meetings
- COSC meeting October 6 from 6:30-8pm
- Is their interest in "Back to School Hacks" webinar with Dr. Temple Grandin?
 - o Keilidh has asked if the \$45 registration fee covers groups

Next meeting/AGM scheduled for October 27, 2025 at 10am. Meeting Adjourned at 10:52am.