

## École Campbelltown School Council Minutes

January 15, 2025, 6:30 pm – 7:15 pm

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### 1. Call to Order

- a. Welcome
- b. Introductions: Executive, Administration, Staff and Parents
- c. Quorum, Minutes (November 20, 2024) and Agenda
  - No amendments, quorum achieved

### 2. Reports

- a. Trustee
  - See below
  - January 29 Junior High Transition plan, 5:30 pm at Salisbury public meeting
- b. Principal
  - School calendar 2025-2026
  - One hour every Wednesday is designated for PD days for teachers
  - Mme Bourgoin is returning, helping with 1's, 3's and 5's - Grade 2's omitted due to another literacy program for the grade 2's (READ program)
  - Applied for funds through OLEP - grade 4's will be split up for French language and math classes with a new teacher
  - The kindergarten open house was victorious; CBN is a closed boundary due to the new build
  - Jan 17 is a traditional cultural dress-up day
  - Science Fair Jan 30th - 1 pm - 2:45 pm
  - Two groups from Jr High French Immersion will be judges for the fair, give some feedback
  - Family Movie Night January 31st "Leo"
  - Parent Teacher Interviews - link out on Jan 28 - Feb 4th and 5th
- c. Committee of School Councils (COSC):
  - There are only 14 schools who have used their grant funds, a few are pooling for a presentation at Bev Facey
  - Assurance Reviews are completed
  - 2025-26 schedule announced - early dismissal every Wednesday next year

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, Feb 5, at 6:30 pm

. Parent Liaison Association (PLA)

Ho-ho-holiday Book Sale + Candy Cane Sale raised \$1736.06! Motion: to donate the profit of \$1736.06 from the Ho-Ho-Holiday Book Sale and Candy Cane Sale to ECPLA for the school's Campbelltown Christmas Hampers initiative.

- Motion Katie Wells, Andrea Brown seconds, motion passes.

### 3. Old Business

#### a. AB School Council Engagement Grant - \$502.03 (to be spent in the 2024/2025 school year)

- Discuss tabled until next Month

b. January Movie Night – Family movie night will be January 30, 2024. Doors open at 6:10pm and the movie will start at 6:30. The movie is Leo and will be presented in French. The event is a parented event and will have a cash concession with water and juice for \$1.00 and various snack for \$2.00 each.

### 4. New Business

#### a. Assurance Review

- Successes - parent involvement has increased - More regular communication - from teachers and parents (cc'd to Greg and Taylor)
- General Education - showing growth, students feel more engaged
- Keep the school environment safe and caring
- Areas of Improvement - expectations within grades and communication - homework program communicated between teachers in each grade to increase homework cohesion within grades
- Staff - social and science vocabulary are more challenging with the new curriculum regardless of language
- Constant review of challenging topics for assessments to carry forward
- Equivalencies with report card grading
- Prepping Grade 6's for Junior High, more field testing, more work on vocabulary piece, online platform for PATs this year - Sessions to be brought to students and staff (VRETTA)
- Field testing is also being done (test anxiety, sitting still for extended periods)
- Asks for EIPS:
  - Larger Class supports - lots of students with diverse needs
- Social studies results this year were about the same as last year for assurance reviews (Grade 6). Some improvement with cohorts

#### b. 2025-26 School Fee Discussion

- CBN is one of the only schools that charges a full cultural fee (Ahead of the game compared to other schools)
- Supervision fees remain the same.
- Cultural Appreciation ECS- Grade 1-3 \$20 across the board 4-6 Levelled off at \$25
- Other fees will remain the same

#### C. Email from parent

- A parent had expressed concerns regarding swimming lessons and change rooms. A discussion was had. Parents discussed difficulties in getting into community swimming lessons to still be a challenge and cited time and cost savings as a strength to offering it through the school. When surveyed if they would like to continue swimming lessons at the school, 100% of parents in attendance indicated they were in favour with continuing. Therefore, swimming lessons will continue; an option was brought up to look into changing pods for the girls change room, which could be used as pop-up change rooms with privacy as well. Strathcona County to be contacted to see if this is an option they could support.

### 5. Meeting Dates (6:30 pm)

#### a. February 19, 2025

- b. March 19, 2025
  - c. April 16, 2025
  - d. May 21, 2025
  - e. June – TBD – AGM only
- 7:15 pm  
6. Adjourn

### **Trustee Report – Don Irwin**

Welcome to 2025.

I hope you had a restful and refreshing time during the Christmas break.

Assurance reviews these were completed for all central office, and for each school in October and November. The full report is available, but I have included a copy of the highlights of the assurance reviews at this meeting. Our overall results are excellent and we are continuing to strive to improve our results. Thanks to all staff for your excellent work.

Time for collaboration among the staff. The new timetable for 2025/2026 includes one hour of consultation time each Wednesday with the same number of instructional minutes each week. We believe this change will improve the quality of instruction for students. Thanks for the large number of your responses.

Trustees are elected by those living in each of the wards, cities, towns etc. throughout the province. There are three trustees from Sherwood Park two from Fort Saskatchewan two from rural Strathcona, County, and one from Lamont County, and one from Vegerville/Minburn county. The election will be held on October 20, 2025 and nominations are now open for all positions. Please refer to the EIPS website for details of the position and the election.

School reregistration opens and closes in February . Please refer to the EIPS.ca website for details.

French immersion transition plan We will hold a public meeting on January 29 to discuss the results of the surveys taken this fall. The meeting will be at Salisbury Composite High School at 5:30pm in the Gym.

New school name in December the board voted to adopt the name Forest Grove school for the new school scheduled to open September 2026, which combines Campbelltown and Sherwood Heights. Thanks to the more than 10,000 suggestions from students, families, and community members.

Questions / suggestions ?– please contact me at [don.irwin@eips.ca](mailto:don.irwin@eips.ca) or call or text me at 587 986 3900