

Eleanor Hall School Council

Meeting Minutes

January 23, 2025



Zoom link:

<https://zoom.us/j/99059270685?pwd=usgDBm43Eq56bb2qRZEab0M6tGBfw6.1>

Attendance: Jolene Lawrence (EHS Council Chair; Enhancement Society Director), Nadine Marchand (Administrator), Philip Petaku (EHS Enhancement Society Chair), Maureen Schnirer (PHSD Trustee), Jenna Pudlowski (EHS Council and Enhancement Society Vice Chair), Michelle Savoie (teacher), Michelle Bottriell (EHS Council and Enhancement Society Secretary)

1. Call to Order - *Jolene Lawrence*

- Jolene Lawrence called the meeting to order at 7:02pm

2. Acknowledgement — *Nadine Marchand*

3. Welcome & Introductions - *Jolene Lawrence*

4. Adopting the Agenda

- Jenna Pudlowski moves to adopt the Agenda, Michelle Savoie seconds.
Agenda adopted


5. Adopting the Minutes of the EHS Council Meeting Nov 21, 2024

 **__EHS Council Meeting Minutes Nov 21, 2024 .pdf**

- Philip Petaku moves to adopt the November 21 meeting minutes, Jolene Lawrence seconds. Minutes adopted.

6. Administration Report - *Nadine Marchand*

- [See attached report](#)

a.  Alternate School Calendar proposal.pdf

- Division decided to make September 30th Truth and reconciliation day a calendar day off.
- Would parents/teachers like to have an Eleanor Hall day on Monday September 29th? That would make 4 more 5 day weeks in the school year instead of 3. - Jolene and Philip would rather have the Monday off. Majority of staff agreed.
- Jolene mentions that at the Council of school council meetings - It sounded like the November break is debated about every year - Maureen mentions that half wanted a longer summer and half wanted a summer break, this year we will retain the structure of the 2023-2024 calendar to give parents more predictability. First day back for teachers August 25th and first day back for students is August 27th
- Major field trip for grade 6-9 students (*Michelle Savoie*)
 - Overnight field trip at the Telus World of Science
 - 85/student - more expensive than the Royal Tyrrell museum (which was half the cost) but the Telus World of Science is closer and we would save money on busing.
 - Kids love the overnight field trips

7. Committee Reports

a. Outdoor Classroom Committee update — *Jackie & Lee Williams*

- Request for an Outdoor Classroom Committee Bank Account; any updates on this?
 - Very grateful to Maureen for helping us organize and get Pembina Hills School Division involved.
 - Pembina Hills is assisting with the engineering. We need an engineering stamp to proceed with the project so it is on hold until then
 - Approached Pembina Hills - Heather Nanninga about doing an outdoor classroom bank account underneath the branch of Pembina Hills and she is looking into it for us.



b. EHS Enhancement Society update - *Jenna Pudlowski*

- Current funds: \$8112.48
- Approved funding requests
 - Kindergarten and grade 1 gymnastics field trip
 - Approved to fund %50 of the warhammer club
 - Approved to fund %50 of the basketball tournament
 - Woodworking tools and materials
 - Prom decorations and outing
 - Two year end field trips for the Grade 4 class
- Upcoming fundraisers:
 - Casino fundraiser <https://volunteersignup.org/8DQBY>
 - Need 5 more casino spots filled
 - Pizza lunch
 - Getting pizza from the Clyde pizza place on January 30th

8. Old Business - *Jolene Lawrence*

- a. Change in date for the March meeting: March 13th is a Parent-Teacher Interview evening so we will meet March 6th @ 7pm on Zoom instead.

9. New Business - *Jolene Lawrence*

- a. Council of School Councils Meeting report. Feedback on the Place for All policy?
-  P 30 A Place For All.pdf
 - Some schools think it is great, some schools worry about the enforcement of it
 - Philip thinks it may have quite a bit of an overlap with Policy 19
 - Do we need an additional policy or could Policy 19 be adapted to add what it is missing from this new policy? Maureen mentions that there was a lot of overlap with the new policy. We will be taking a look at how we will ebb and flow with the Alberta Legislation. We as an organization decided this new policy was needed for our division.
 - Any feedback from staff - staff are pleased with the policy
- b. Alberta School Council Association AGM  Apr 27, 2025
- <https://www.albertaschoolcouncils.ca/about/annual-general-meeting>
 - We can use ASCE grant to attend
- c. Trustee Elections in fall of 2025
- https://public-schools.ab.ca/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/TrusteeBrochure_14x8.5_4panelTemplate-MainVersion.pdf

10. PHSD Trustee Report – *Trustee Maureen Schnirer*

- [Please see attached report](#)

11. Next Meeting Date: March 6, 2025 @ 7pm on Zoom

- Next Enhancement Society meeting date will be on March 5, 2025 @7pm via zoom

12. Adjournment

- Jolene Lawrence adjourns the meeting at 7:59pm