



## Lamont High School Parent Advisory Council

Date: September 20, 2023

Time: 6:45 PM

Location: Lamont High School

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### 1. Call to order: 6:52 pm

#### In Attendance:

- Jodie Derksen (Chair)
- Melissa Aylward
- Marlis Marler (Assistant Principal)
- Kelly Sawatzky (Principal)
- Sylvia McDonald (Vice-Chair)
- Angela Wendorff (Treasurer)
- Kristina Carstairs
- Bobbi Moonen
- Delane Zacharko
- Nadia Chopping (via Zoom)
- Colleen Holowaychuk (Trustee)

### 2. Welcome & Introductions:

### 3. Review & Approval of Agenda -

Bobbi Moonen made a motion to pass the agenda as presented. Seconded by Delane Zacharko. All in favor.

### 4. Approval of last month's meeting minutes -

Sylvia McDonald made a motion to approve last month's minutes. Seconded by Kristina Carstairs. All in favor.

## **5. Trustee Report - Colleen Holowaychuk**

### **New Minister of Education**

Minister Demetrios Nicolaides was sworn in a June 9, 2023.

### **First Team Training**

The Board and our new Superintendent Sandra Stoddard met on August 23, 2023 for a workshop on First Team training.

### **2023-2024 Organizational Meeting**

August 24, 2023

New Chair and Vice Chair for the Board

Chair Cathy Allen from Sherwood Park

Vice Chair Susan Miller Strathcona County

### **Board Retreat**

September 18, 19, 2023 at Pigeon Lake with our Superintendent

Planning workshop

### **Elected Official Meeting**

The Board met with NDP MLA Kyle Kasawski on September 20, 2023.

### **Reminder: Committee of School Councils (COSC) Meeting**

The first COSC meeting will be held Wednesday, October 2023, at Central office at 6:30pm

The meetings are normally 2 hours. There will be a virtual option available.

Prior to the meeting, there will be a meet and greet, pizza supper at 5:30pm

## **6. Town Report - Colleen Holowaychuk**

### **Summer Fest**

Parade – Great event with 77 entries and over 100 floats.

**Rodeo** – Lamont Agricultural Society, thank you to Lamont Elementary and Lamont Public Library and community members for volunteering. Groups volunteering have an opportunity to raise funds for their groups as the Ag Society will pay volunteers.

### **Picnic in the Park**

September 7, 2023,

Thank you to everyone who attended and made it a great evening. We had great attendance.

### **Alberta Municipalities Convention**

September 27-29, 2023

Council will be attending.

**Tawáw Park** - July 7, 2023, the announcement was made at the Party in the Park on the Friday. The park will be installed on September 28 and 29, 2023 between 9am-5pm. Community volunteers are welcome to participate. Thank you to Cenovus for their very generous support of this project.

### **Truth and Reconciliation Day**

Please join us on September 30, 2023, at Tawáw Park. All are welcome; town, county and visiting residents.

## **7. Principal Report - Kelly Sawatzky (Principal)**

### **1. Start up**

### **2. Student Enrollment**

- a. 348 students
- b. SEAS classroom
- c. Grade 9 cohorts

### **3. Meet the Staff**

### **4. Student Supports**

- a. Student support team
- b. RESET room
- c. Skills Alberta

### **5. Upcoming events and important dates:**

- September 20 - Grad meeting
- September 21 - Terry Fox
- September 29 - Orange Shirt Day

- September 30 - National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
- October 2-6: [Read In Week](#)
- October 4: Early Dismissal
- October 6 - PD - NO School
- October 9: Thanksgiving Day (schools and Central Services closed to staff and students)

## **8. New Business -**

### **a. Voting in New Council -**

Chair - Jodie Derksen stepped down as chair.

Jodie Derksen nominated Sylvia McDonald for Chair, Sylvia accepted. Second call for nominations, third call for nominations, nominations ceased. Sylvia McDonald is chair by acclamation.

Vice Chair - Sylvia McDonald took Chair so the Vice Chair became vacant.

Sylvia McDonald nominated Melissa Young for Vice-Chair, Melissa accepted via text message. Second call for nominations, third call for nominations, nominations ceased. Melissa Young is Vice-Chair by acclamation.

Secretary - Bobbi Moonen nominated Terri Barron for secretary, Terri accepted. Second call for nominations, third call for nominations, nominations ceased. Terri Barron is secretary by acclamation.

Treasurer - Sylvia McDonald nominated Melissa Aylward for Treasurer. Melissa accepted. Second call for nominations, third call for nominations, nominations ceased. Melissa Aylward is treasurer by acclamation.

Board will be for both the Parent Advisory Board and Foundation Board.

### **b. Christmas Dinner**

Christmas dinner will be scheduled for Monday, December 18. Prep day will be Sunday, December 17. Terri Barron made a motion to pass this event on these days. Angela Wendorff seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

## **9. Any Questions -**

## **10. Next Meeting -**

**a. Date: Nov 2, 2023**

**b. Time: 6:45 pm**

## **11. Thank you for attending**

## **12. Meeting adjourned: 8:00 pm**