

Minutes for Mills Haven School Council

A meeting of the Mills Haven Elementary School Council was held on January 18th, 2022. The meeting began at 6:03 pm and was presided over by Chair Caleb Vetter. Kendra Roemer taking the minutes.

Attendees

Caleb V	Cathy A	Stephanie M
Erin F	Jon E	Stacey J
Aida D	Janice	
Erika S	Sherry J	

Call to Order

Motioned to begin meeting by Kendra and seconded by Stacy.

Approval of Old Minutes

The [November 23, 2021 minutes](#). motion to accept by Stefanie and seconded by Kendra.

Adoption of Agenda

Motion to accept by Kendra and seconded by Caleb.

Reports

[Chair's Report](#) (Caleb)

[Trustee Report](#) (Cathy)

[School Report](#) (Jon)

Feedback Requested

[School Fees](#) (Jon)

2022-23 School Calendar (Cathy)

Trustee Representation Options (Cathy)

Review of Agenda

Chair Report

- Mr. Vetter introduced themselves
 - Math-a-thon
 - Speech Competition
 - MHSC Agenda: Feedback Requested.

Trustee Report

- Ms. Allen introduced themselves
 - Reappointment of Superintendent
 - Draft Curriculum
 - Annual Education Results Review
 - Assurance Reviews
 - Board Retreat
 - January Board of Trustees Meeting
 - Upcoming Important Dates

School Report

- Mr. Elzinga introduced themselves
 - Calendar Review
 - Staffing Update
 - Returning Student Registration for 2022/2023 School Year
 - Kindergarten Registration for 2022/2023 School Year

Old Business

Alberta School Council Engagement Grant (Jon)

\$500 grant for parent engagement with the school council

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Announcements

The next MHSC & MHSSSES Meeting will be February 15th, 2022, at 6:00 pm

Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn meeting by Kendra, and seconded by Caleb
- Meeting adjourned at 6:56 pm

Mills Haven School Council
Caleb Vetter
MHSC Chair
18 January 2021

Chair's Report

In the months of December and January, I have focused my attention on attending to the guiding documents and procedures of Mills Haven School. I gave a MHSC report at the EIPS Assurance Review meeting on November 24th. I reported on the three things that MHSC in partnership with MHSSES will do to support the 2021/22 MHS "School Plan":

1. Math-a-thon
2. Speech Competition
3. MHSC Agenda: Feedback Requested.

Principal Elzinga and I are pleased to be providing an opportunity to hear from the [Saffron Centre](#) this evening. We trust that it will be an informative and enriching time.

Sincerely,
Caleb Vetter
MHSC Chair - millshavenchair@gmail.com

Trustee Report for Mills Haven School Council
January 2022

Thank you to the staff of Mills Haven School for the activities and events that were part of the Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week November 15 – 19. The theme of Kindness, Empathy and Being an Upstander was a wonderful way to plan for this week.

Reappointment of Superintendent

Superintendent Mark Liguori has been reappointed as Superintendent and CEO of EIPS.

Draft Curriculum

The Board of Trustees continues to advocate for revisions of the draft curriculum. In our most recent letter to Minister LaGrange, we requested consideration for these changes to the implementation plan:

Kindergarten and Grade 1 ELA and Mathematics

Kindergarten to Grade 6 Physical Education and Wellness

Annual Education Results Review

The Board of Trustees approved the EIPS Annual Education Results Review Report 2020-21. This report includes detailed information about how EIPS is doing relative to Alberta Education's performance measures, how the Division is supporting students to achieve the best possible outcomes, and highlights its successes, challenges and priorities moving forward. The report has been submitted to Alberta Education and is posted on the EIPS website.

2021-22 Fall Budget

The Board approved the EIPS 2021-22 Fall Budget that operates for the period of September 1, 2021 to August 31, 2022. Updated student enrollment numbers, revenue changes, actual carry forward amounts, expenses and planned reserve spending are considered in this approval process.

EIPS operating budget is \$198.26 million

Student enrollment – 17124

EIPS employees – 1305.75 FTE

Assurance Reviews

The information that the Board of Trustees received from the Assurance Reviews was informative and highlighted the celebrations, achievements and challenges

that schools are facing. Thank you to Principal Elzinga and his team for the work that went into their preparation for the Assurance Review.

Board Retreat

The Board of Trustees participated in the annual board retreat on December 6-7, 2021. The trustees and EIPS Senior Administration discussed the Board's direction, priorities and work plan for the 2021-22 school year.

January Board of Trustees Meeting

The January Board of Trustees meeting will be reviewing the recommendations from Finance for the expenditure of reserve funds as well as setting the 2022-23 calendar.

Upcoming Important Dates

January 6-18, 2022	EIPS Survey
January 20, 2022	EIPS Board of Trustees Meeting
February 1-28, 2022	Student Registration for 2022-2023

Please contact me anytime with questions or concerns.

Cathy Allen

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School Council Administration Report
Jon Elzinga and Janice Sundar
January 19, 2022

Calendar Review

- a. On November 24, Janice Sundar and Jon Elzinga along with Caleb Vetter, school Council Chair, met with the Elk Island Public School Board Trustees along with various other school administration teams for the annual Assurance Review. The afternoon spent together allowed schools and trustees to connect and reflect on the events of the previous school year as well as the current plans for Mills Haven Elementary this year.
- b. December was a fantastic month at Mills Haven. We were able to celebrate the Christmas season in many safe and exciting ways. From classroom door decorating to special dress up days, there were a lot of Christmas celebrations in December. We also hope you were able to enjoy the Christmas Concert performance for your child's class. If you didn't catch it, please check Brightspace under the music tab.
- c. On January 31, the teaching staff at Mills Haven will have a professional learning day. We will be focusing on small group targeted instruction, FNMI Educational Resources and examining the new curriculum.

Staffing Update

- a. As of January 28, 2022, Ms. Blackerman, one of our Educational Assistants will be leaving Mills Haven. She has accepted another job outside of Elk Island Public Schools and we wish her all the best in her new position.

Returning Student Registration for 2022/2023 School Year

- a. Returning Student Registration for the 2022/2023 school year opens on February 1. On February 1 at 9 a.m., all current EIPS families will be sent an email with the link to complete the Returning Student Registration Form available through the [PowerSchool Parent Portal](#). For more information visit EIPS' website on [Returning student Registration](#).