

School Council Minutes

Date	January 14, 2019
Attendance	Kristy Rice, Colette Lastiwka, Erin Huculak, Kyla Norris, Dave Norris, Kristy Chamulke, Denise Hoag, Brenda Watmough, Carrie Knysh, Fiona Nyuli, Andrea Marson, Shannon Blyth, Brandy Laurin, Aoife Cahill
Guests	Le-Ann Ewaskiw - EICS Board Trustee designate for St. Luke
General Business	
Start Time	6:34 p.m.
Approval of Agenda	Colette Lastiwka
Committee Reports	None
Old Business	None
New Business	
EICS Board Highlights <i>Le-Ann Ewaskiw</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is my first term as an EICS Trustee. I have two daughters in the Catholic system. My oldest daughter graduated last year and my youngest is in grade 11 this year. • As Trustees we're designated to different schools each year. Attending Parent Council meetings allows us to get insight and knowledge into the individual schools. We're able to bring the information we've gained to the table when making the big decisions. • You can visit www.eics.ab.ca/trustees for information or to contact trustees. • Board highlights from our December meeting can be found at: www.eics.ab.ca/download/147474
Shrove Tuesday <i>Colette Lastiwka</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shrove Tuesday will be held on March 5, 2019. • Kim Laakso has volunteered to organize the pancake lunch this year.
Open House <i>Colette Lastiwka</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open House will be held on Thursday, March 7, 2019.
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Aoife Cahill	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Collaborative Response Coordinator (CRC) – (Brandy Laurin)</i> My new role this year is a Collaborative Response Coordinator. We use the Collaborative Response Model which brings our staff together once a month to discuss all the students in the school. We discuss and problem solve at these meetings. We're able to put things in place for all the students, groups of students, and individual students. We have discussed literacy a lot in our meetings. This is a proactive approach to things rather than a reactive one. • <i>2019/2020 School Calendar</i> – has been 'Approved in Principle' • <i>Celebrating Catholic Education</i> – We've been sharing stories in the weekly memo and on our Facebook page from staff members about what Catholic Education means to them. They have been sharing what makes our Catholic schools special and unique. OLPH Parish has also been sharing their stories in the church bulletin. We would love to invite parents to share their stories about what they value about Catholic Education. <i>(Denise Hoag – 'Parents for Choice in Education' is a great resource for</i>

parents their website is www.parentchoice.ca)

- *Budget* – The School's Budget and Student Generated Funds can be found on the school's website at <https://stl.eics.ab.ca/parents/school-finances> Information is updated monthly.
- *Accountability Pillar Survey* – Surveys have gone out to parents with students in grades 4-8. Students in these grades will also participate in the survey as well as staff members. The data will be compiled and survey results will be shared once available.
- *4 x 4* – The 4x4 process will begin in Tofield and area on Saturday February 2. The census will take place over two Saturdays and census workers will get \$500 upon completion of the census. If the process is successful we will continue to grow our school community as students will receive funded busing from Tofield and area.
- *Pre-Kindergarten/Kindergarten Registration* – Registration for the 2019/2020 school year opens on January 22, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.
- *Canadian Indigenous Author David Bouchard* – We're excited to welcome Mr. Bouchard to the school on Friday January 25. He will be sharing the gift of reading along with symbols of his Indigenous heritage. I would encourage parents to come to this exciting opportunity. He will be with students in grades 1-4 from 9:00-9:30 and grades 5-8 from 9:45-10:45.
- *Mindful Movements* – We're welcoming Victoria Vilaivan who will be presenting mindful movements with an Indigenous theme to all students during their regular Physical Education classes on January 29 and 30. She will be offering a family session on Tuesday January 29 after school beginning at 3:30 p.m., cost is \$5 per family.

Adjournment

Next Meeting	Monday February 11, 2019 @ 6:30 p.m.
Adjournment	Adjourned by Colette Lastiwka Time 7:21 p.m.