**Rudolph Hennig Junior High**

**Parent Council Minutes**

**November 25, 2024**

* **Call to order:** at 6:07 p.m.
  + In attendance: Dawn Ferguson, Sara Secrist, Lynn Shannon, Crystal Hudson, Shelley Schofield, Lisa Penno, Glenda Grey, Greg Cruickshank, Ralph Sorochan
* Treaty Land Acknowledgement- We acknowledge that we are on Treaty 6 territory, a traditional meeting grounds, gathering place, and traveling route to the Cree, Saulteaux, Blackfoot, Dene and Nakota Sioux, and the traditional homeland of the Métis. We acknowledge all the many indigenous footsteps, stories and songs that have marked these lands for centuries.
* **Review of agenda:**
  + Motion by Lisa, Seconded by Lynn
* **Approve minutes from last meeting:**
  + Motion by Shelley, Seconded by Lisa
* **New Business-** 
  + Discussion of bringing more parents in to Parent Council. Discussion about parent survey or online meeting options
  + COSC- Shelley motioned to pool money with other schools to bring in an online speaker. Lisa seconded the motion. Voted. Approved.

Dawn will talk to someone at ASCA about roles and responsibilities. This could be paid for through council rather than the grant.

* + Teacher Wish List- nothing at this time
* **Old Business**
  + Nothing to report
* **Administration Report-Greg Cruikshank**
  + Assurance review- spoke about meeting. Successes and things to improve on.
  + First Nation, Métis, Inuit news- school-wide Walk for Wenjak. Assembly with Danielle Booker after Metis week.
  + Volleyball is wrapping up this week. Basketball tryouts starting this week. Thank you to volunteer coaches Jason Quick, Olivia Charlton, Stacey Reid, and teacher coach Remington Faid. Thank you to Mr. Hughes for being teacher liaison.
  + Ski Trip- 78 signed up. 5 requests for financial support from the Parent Association.
* **Trustee Report- Ralph Sorochan-** see attached report
* **Adjournment** at 7:07 p.m.
* **Next Meeting-** January 27, 2026

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**Parent Association Minutes**

**November 25, 2024**

* **Call to order:** at 7:09 p.m.
* **Review of agenda:**
  + Motion by Lisa, Seconded by Crystal
* **Approve minutes from last meeting:**
  + Motion by Shelley, Seconded by Lisa
* **Treasurer’s Report-** 
  + Annual returns have been audited and turned in. Shared financial statement for 2023/24 school year.
  + Signing Authority- leave status quo for now. All signing authorities signed a letter for online banking.
* **Casino-** 
  + - Balance in casino account- $1043.81
    - Update on Casino date- in April 13 and 14, 2025. Volunteers will be needed. Crystal would like someone to shadow her as casino chair.
* **Old Business**
  + RHJ Ski Trip 50/50- Rafflebox ready to go. Waiting on license. Draw on January 27th, 2025. Crystal motioned to cover $2000 to cover 5 students through the general account. Dawn seconded the motion. Voted all in favour.
* **Adjournment** at 7:27 p.m.
* **Next Meeting-** January 27, 2026

**FHS Trustee Report – November 25, 2024**

**Ralph Sorochan**

**1) APPRECIATION** – Much appreciation for all your efforts to make each students’ school experience a successful one.

**2) FUTURE EIPS CALENDARS REMINDER** – A calendar recommendation by the Superintendent is expected to come to the Board at their December 19th meeting.

a. The survey sent earlier was for stakeholder feedback, and your opinions matter! I have been reading over 500 pages of feedback.

b. Status quo calendars remain an option.

c. Instructional minutes will not change – the distribution of minutes, however, changes in the suggested options.

d. I*f you have any additional comments, feel free to contact me.*

e. The Board has made no decisions about what the calendar will be.

**3) ASSURANCE REVIEWS REMINDER**- Assurance Reviews are a forum for schools and departments to share their individual results, annual plans, successes, and challenges. The review informs the Division’s Annual Education Results Report and allows trustees to gain a holistic understanding of what’s happening throughout the Division*.* All School Reviews are scheduled for November, while Central Department Reviews have been completed in October.

**4) THE PRIME MINISTER'S AWARDS FOR TEACHING EXCELLENCE** - These awards honour outstanding and innovative elementary and secondary school teachers in all disciplines for their remarkable educational achievements and for their commitment to preparing youth for a digital and innovation-based economy. Prime Minister’s Awards for Teaching – deadline January 15.

**5) ALBERTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION FALL GENERAL** MEETING – I attended this conference on November 17,18 and 19. Trustees from across the province came together to discuss educational issues, set provincial advocacy direction, and receive professional development.

**6) BULLYING AWARENESS WEEK** – will be celebrated November 18-22 throughout EIPS. It promotes awareness and understanding of bullying and its impacts. Schools throughout the Division will be engaged in different activities to take part in this important initiative. Remember, school staff address this topic regularly and not just during this week in November that is legislated by the Alberta government.

**7) CAREGIVER SERIES: NOV./DEC. SESSIONS -** Alberta Health Services offers free online programming for parents and caregivers of children and youth. Sessions are offered through Zoom. The list of Nov/Dec 2024 sessions is now available.

**8) NEXT BOARD MEETING –** The next regular Board meeting takes place on November 28, 2024, at 10 AM. Board meetings are held in the Elk Island Public School boardroom. EIPS also livestreams public Board meetings on its YouTube channel.

**9) INQUIRIES? -** If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me at ralph.sorochan@eips.ca or 780 417 8107.

**10) Have a wonderful Christmas Break!**