New Horizons School School Council Meeting Minutes

October 2, 2024 7:00PM - 8:00PM

Hybrid In-Person (New Horizons School) / Virtual Meeting

Attendees: Elizabeth Macve, Chelsee Ladouceur, Sarah-Jane Lovgren, Leach McCoy, Carla Jones, Anita Sanderson, Raman Brar, Denette Leask, Michelle Stephens, Lori Vigfusson, Julie Jackson, Rebecca Koziak, Terry Mohgrabi, Eeksha K. Kakkan, Stacey Stang-Sass, Linh Nguyen (FCSS)

1. Meeting Called to Order at 7:00 p.m.

Elizabeth Macve as Chair

2. Statement of Territorial Acknowledgement

The School Council of the New Horizons Charter School respectfully acknowledges that the land on which we meet is Treaty 6 territory, a traditional home, gathering place, and a travelling route for diverse Indigenous Peoples, including Cree, Saulteaux, Blackfoot, Nakota, Sioux, as well as the homeland of the Metis Nation. We recognize our responsibility as Treaty members and honour the heritage and gifts of the First Peoples of this land.

3. Adoption of Agenda

MOTION: Chelsee Ladouceur moved to adopt the agenda as presented. Seconded by Sarah-Jane Lovgren, motion carried.

4. Guest Speaker: Linh Nguyen from Family Community Services

Linh provided information about the services provided by Family community Services. Families can access services directly through Family Community Services or through the school. Services include connecting families with resources, family counselling and educations programs and services for families. More information is available on their website.

Guest Speaker: Terry Moghrabi, Superintendent

Terry spoke about his appreciation for the support from the school and from parents. He also spoke about the School Board's ongoing activities and priorities, including the network equipment changeover, the Government of Alberta's new <u>cell phone policy</u>, next year's <u>TAAPCS</u> conference, and capital planning (current building renovations and planning for a potential high school).

5. Approval of Minutes: September 4, 2024 MOTION: Julie Jackson moved to approve the Minutes as presented.

Seconded by Chelsee Ladouceur, motion carried.

6. Reports

6.1.Chair/Vice-Chair/Secretary Report

Chair shared that while the Meet the Teacher night went well, it was not the right environment for a presentation from the School Council. Council will look at planning a Welcome BBQ for late August/early September 2025.

6.2. Principal's Report

See Attached

6.3. Financial Officer's Report

School Council has distributed \$485.

6.4.FANHS Report

Discussion about FANHS moving their meeting time. Discussion will continue at the FANHS meeting.

6.5.Communication Officer's Report

N/A

6.6.Committee Reports

- Halloween Dance: Halloween dance is from 6-9 p.m. on October 26. \$15 admission.
- Discussion about Spring Carnival, Grants, Book Club, Holiday tabled.

7. Motion to Accept Reports

MOTION: Lori Vigfusson moved to accept the Reports as presented. Seconded by Anita Sanderson, motion carried.

8. New Business

8.1.Motions Required:

 Dinette suggests small contests to encourage families to read the entire newsletter. Funding of \$35 would be needed for gift cards for winners.
MOTION: Anita Sanderson moved to provide \$35 in financial support from Community Building/PR funding category.
Seconded by Chelsee Ladouceur, motion carried.

8.2.Staff Report

- No update

8.3. Future School Event Planning and SC Outreach

- Halloween Dance, October 26, 2024
- Discussions tabled for Spring Carnival, May 24, 2025 and Other (movie night etc).

8.4.Parent Perspectives

- Tabled until submission form is rolled-out.

9. Future Business

Looking at something new for Orange Shirt Day 2025.

10. Correspondence

N/A

11. Future Meeting Dates

- November 6, 2024
- December 4, 2024
- January 8, 2025
- February 5, 2025
- March 5, 2025
- April 2, 2025
- May 7, 2025
- June 4, 2024

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11. Meeting Adjourned

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.