



## Sturgeon Composite High School School Council Meeting Minutes

March 31, 2025

**Attendance:** Jaclyn Miller, Carol Nelson, Jennifer Hunting, Darwin Kripps, Nancy Oneschuk, Melissa Knezacek, Crystal Belanger, Kevin De Champlain, Darryl Paziuk, Bonnie Borle,

### Call to Order

- Meeting called to order by Jaclyn Miller at 6:01 pm

### Approval of November's Minutes

- Motion to approve minutes for October's meeting made by Nancy Oneschuk  
Seconded by Jaclyn Miller.

### Chair Report

- ASCA Engagement funds of \$500-We have come up with a decision to ask Darcy McGunidal to do a student presentation on intoxication and Distracted driving.

### Principal Report

- Semester one was completed successfully; we were able to meet our Alberta Education deadlines for the storing of grades in the face of CUPE job action
- Semester 2 started smoothly; Sarah Day has returned to staff, Danny McKay is teaching .5 and teaching inreach and PE 20 male. Alicia Brzak has been brought on full time this semester to support smaller math classes and to split our CALM and Learning Strategies

which was one class of 52

- Flight 15 has started; students are positive and the course material is heavy
- Tara Draper will be taking a principalship outside of the division in the fall. We are beginning the process of finding a replacement
- We will be offering Building Futures next year; grade 10 students can apply. These students will be offsite the entire year building a house. We have hired Danny McKay to be the lead teacher; we will need to assign a second teacher to teach the students math and science
- We are looking forward to the 2025 2026 school year; we currently have 985 active registrations, and 65 out of division registration requests. We estimated our enrollment at

970; it looks like we will be closer to 1050

- Skills Alberta is occurring on May 7 and 8 at the Edmonton Expo Centre. We have many students across many disciplines competing
- The Alberta Education Assurance survey went out to grade 10 parents; this was completed by grade 10 students and their parents by March 21; extended to April 2
- SCHS has been selected to participate in the PISA assessment in April. 42 grade 10 students will be randomly selected to complete this assessment. It will take half a day to complete.

Some facts about PISA:

- It is the world's largest international assessment in education.
- Approximately 90 countries worldwide participate in the assessment.
- It is administered in all 10 Canadian provinces.
- It assesses 15-year-old students.

The aim of PISA is to measure students' competencies in science, mathematics, reading, and learning in the digital world.

- Undertaking PISA is important because the results of the assessment are used to provide contextual information about educational practices in participating countries, notably to:

- allow a comparison of student performance and the learning environment among different countries/economies;
- Identify areas for improvement over time by and in schools, education systems, and governments; and
- indicate how well prepared students in Canada are for life after school.

## **Trustee's Report**

- Sturgeon School Division congratulates 2025 Edwin Parr Nominee, Ella Stanley from Sturgeon Heights

- School. This award honors outstanding first-year teachers. Board made difficult choice from seven
- amazing candidates.
- New contract agreement has been reached with support staff, division is pleased to be moving forward.
- Support staff back in schools on March 31.
- The Jessica Martel Memorial Foundation, which supports the Inspire Program at Four Winds School, has
- been nominated by the Division for the Alberta School Boards Association award for Friends of
- Education. The Foundation provides students with advocacy, mentorship and leadership programs.
- The 2025-2028 Three Year Capital Plan was approved by the Board. The Division is excited that the
- Government of Alberta has approved funding for a replacement school for Morinville Public School and
- has committed planning funding for a new school in Gibbons.
- The 2026-2027 School Year Calendar has been approved by the Board.
- The Division is working on the 2025-2026 Budget, with Administration preparing to bring forward all of
- the budgetary info for the Board to analyze, finalize and approve by the May 31, 2025 deadline.

**Next Meeting Date - April 28, 2025 at 6:00 pm**

- Motion to adjourn at 6:26 PM made by Jaclyn Miller seconded by Jennifer Hunting.