

**Wainwright Elementary School Council Meeting
February 3, 2025**

1. Welcome, Meeting to Order:

6:32 pm

2. Introductions/Attendance:

April, Melissa, Dallas, Chelsey, Lindsay, Stephanie, Carlee, Sorrell, Jen

3. Review Last Meeting Minutes: No changes or additions

4. Reports:

Admin: Kim DeFord

Around the school updates:

Dates – link to WES website

Open House April 15th

Superintendent's Speaking Competition April 15th

Spring break April 18-27

Operetta April 9, 12, 13

School fees for 2025-2026 season:

Purpose same fee schedule for next year

Fall 2024 School Generated Funds

Hot Lunch Program \$27,555.49

Volunteer Efforts \$13, 801.06

KAP: Sorrell Elliott

Kindergarten orientation will happen before open house. Sorrell will be sharing the need of new school council members at that time.

BTPS Board Trustee: Stephanie Cooper

The ABSA Edwin Parr Award winner for BTPS for this year was Morgan Jarvie from Edgerton.

The 3 year capitol plan was approved and includes Amisk and Hughenden school replacement, Irma classroom expansion, and Provost school replacement.

The Board wrote a letter to support the advocacy request letter from Pediatric Physicians to Minister Nicolaides to support Program Unit Funding PUF. Represented by trustee King at the annual board conference.

The Superintendent shared the leadership highlights that included the Alberta Rural Education Symposium and BTPS Learning Day with guest speaker Greg Wells. She also highlighted upcoming events, including the CASS Annual Learning Conference, Council of School Councils second meeting of the year (March 31st) and the Superintendent's Public Speaking Competition (April 15th), which is always a highlight of the Division.

Public School Board Association visits

Student Engagement - Students from Irma, WES and WHS share thoughts on what are some ways our school interacts with the community, what are the positive aspects of living in rural Alberta.

Fundraising: Carlee Whitelock

The new society, Wainwright Elementary Partners Association (WEPA) is still pending approval from the government of AB. We are expecting an update shortly.

Flipgive has raised over \$600.00 thus far.

6. New Business:

Annual School Council Report – April to complete

Heads up for wanting dates of events ahead of time for next year.

Hot lunch – the idea of having a catering company provide healthy hot lunches for the children on a more regular basis was raised. Kim will speak with Shalene of Vera's Catering for options.

Discussion regarding split classes in the future and requesting further communication for those parents.

7. Next Meeting Date

June 9, 2025 at 6:30

8. Adjourn:

7:16pm