

Lamont Elementary School Council
Hybrid Meeting held on Dec 12th, 2024
Meeting Minutes

In Attendance:

Heather Rideout, Krista Skinner, Colleen Holowaychuk, Carla Kwiatowski, Jacy Froland, Jessie Ouellet, Leslie Pavan (A.P.), Marlis Marler (Principal)

1. Call to Order:

Heather Rideout called the meeting to order at 6:01
Minutes taken by Krista Skinner.

2. Approval of Agenda:

Krista made a motion to move Colleen's reports up due to her time constraints.
All in agreement.
Jacy moved to approve the meeting agenda. Jessie seconded.

3. Approval of Minutes:

October Meeting Minutes approved by Jessie and seconded by Jacy.

4. Principal Report (Presented by Marlis)

- Parent teacher interviews/book fair volunteers went well. Thank you to everyone.
- Halloween dance & Holiday market - thank you!
- Métis week - activities within the classrooms and Mrs. Pavan read a Métis story to each class and they all made their own Métis week button
- Anti bullying week. Activities provided and Amanda visited each class
- Remembrance Day - lovely ceremony
- Assurance review summary greatest strength, area for improvement
- Report cards percentage that get opened - overall 34% opened
 - 28% gr 1
 - 56% gr 2
 - 25% gr 3
 - 46% gr 4
 - 64% gr 5
 - 44% gr 6
 - Parents feedback - they have difficulty opening the reports
- Christmas concert debrief. Thoughts: what went well, what needs improvement, different venue, different format...
- Playground updates: K/1 swings and metal structure are due for replacement
 - \$6 616.03 left over. Will get a list of what could be bought with that money
 - Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP) matching grant?
- January we'll talk fees

5. **Trustee Report:**

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Calendar Survey

5800 respondents to the survey.

Thank you to our families and staff for taking the time to fill out the calendar survey as we figure out how to incorporate and consider the research on collaboration and professional learning on student achievement.

Alberta School Boards Association Fall General Meeting

The Board attended the ASBA FGM held in Edmonton on November 17-19, 2024.

Remarks from Premier Daniel Smith and Education Minister Demetrios Nicolaides.

COSC Meeting Dates

The next COSC meeting will be held on Wednesday January 8, 2024, 6:30pm at EIPS Central Office in Sherwood Park. Meetings are always available to join virtually.

Assurance Reviews

Central and school assurance reviews are now complete. Thank you to any parents who attended and to school administration for their work in presenting. The Board will use the information we heard for our planning and advocacy efforts.

November 28, 2024, Board Meeting

The Board approved the 2024 Audited Financial Statements.

The Board reviewed and approved the Annual Education Result Report (AERR). It is now posted on the website.

Next Board Meeting December 19, 2024.

6. **Town of Lamont Report:**

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Lamont Town Light Up!

Thank you to everyone who attended the Light Up! on November 30, 2024, and to both Lamont Schools for putting up Christmas trees in the Festival of Trees.

Budget Priorities Survey

A survey is out regarding the 2025 Town Budget. Please take the time to fill it out and have your say.

Approved New Fees Schedule

Water bills will now reflect a pay for what you use model, rather than a minimum charge. There will reductions for several residents who have small usage and increases for the larger volume users.

Council Meetings

Next meeting is January 14, 2025.

Second and fourth Tuesdays of the month 7pm. Always live streamed on Facebook.

The Town of Lamont FB Page is always a great place to look for information.

7. LUBA Report

Nobody from LUBA present

8. Old Business

Thank you so much to all the volunteers that helped make our Halloween Dance and Christmas Market events successful.

9. New Business:

None

11. Date of Next Meeting: January 23, 2025 at 6:00

12. Meeting adjourned by Heather Rideout at 6:59 pm