

## School Council Minutes

Monday, March 2, 2026

### Members in attendance:

Kimberly Simpson, Brian Skoyles, Peter Chapman, Barbra Sinnesael, Karen Conrad, Fathom Thompson, Sheena Larmer

### School Report:

#### Oxford South Elementary Panel Attendance Area Review Update

- Staff have met with HR and ETFO to review the staffing procedure due to the reorganization. Staff who are surplus at South Ridge and Westfield have the option of coming to Annandale.
- All staff who choose to be at Annandale will be ranked by seniority for teaching positions. There is a possibility that current Annandale staff could be displaced. are completing a Preference of Placement this year outlining the subject they wish to teach and if they want to stay at Annandale, South Ridge, or Westfield. This is a stressful time for staff.
- As part of the process we must establish a transition committee consisting of two parents from each School Council and Administration from each of the three schools. Kim is the chair of the committee as the receiving school.
- The purpose is to support the transition of the students to the new school  
Schools can start to gather their committees now and start meeting after March break. Schools can decide how often to meet and the format. Karen Conrad and Fathom Thompson have agreed to sit on this committee as parent representatives. Barbra has been asked to sit on committee to record minutes.
- Pro Grant was applied for and we received \$2,000.00 which we will use to plan an event/events to welcome our new students (possibly during Education Week an
- South Ridge applied for the Pro Grant too and received \$2,000.00 which they have said they will give to Annandale to help us welcome our new students. They will use some of the money to purchase spirit wear for our incoming Grizzlies.

#### Playground Equipment Update

- Playground has been approved and approval to start fundraising has been granted
- Possibly during Education Week during Open House have a raffle table set up to help raise funds. Each class would be assigned to make a basket to raffle off.
- Fathom brought up Rick Hansen Accessibility Grant but needs to investigate it further
- All fundraising letters and/or events will be approved by office/board to ensure policy and procedure are being followed (CRA concerns). Kim will be sending Fundraising letters to the Board office for approval before sending them out.

#### Renovation Update

- Contract for renovations has been awarded to Elgin Contracting with the pre-construction meeting will be held on March 4<sup>th</sup>
- 4 classrooms will be completed at one time. Only the rooms upstairs will be completed (new floor, ceiling, paint). Construction on main floor will be restricted to additional cubby space.

- Music will be moved to 113 for remainder of construction.
- If any asbestos work needs to be completed it will be completed during the evening or on weekends. The board has an asbestos policy, and the company will have an asbestos abatement plan. If parents have questions about the process, please direct them to administration.
- It was asked if any construction upgrades would be made downstairs with regard to an additional Kindergarten classroom. Room 113 will be used as the extra FDK classroom if needed.

Treasurer Report:

- No report available

Open Discussion:

- Discussion about the Track: Who is legally responsible for the Track (agreement between former board and Town). This will be pursued further in the new school year.
- Concerns about the parking lot were again raised with cars are speeding through parking lot and parking where they are not supposed to park.
- Kim informed committee that she just purchased another \$500.00 worth of No Parking signs to go in front of the greenhouse.
- Fathom is going to speak to the Livingston Centre and the town to determine if a right hand turning lane onto Tillson Avenue would be considered.

Next meeting: TBD