



Pine Street School Council & Volunteer Parent Society - September 2021 Newsletter –

Monthly Meetings

Welcome back to a new school year! We are excited to work with all our parents / caregivers, both new and returning. If you are interested in viewing the minutes from the September meeting, please email pinestreetsvp@gmail.com to be added to the list.

Calendar Highlights

September 24	Terry Fox Run
September 29	Orange Shirt Day
September 30	NO SCHOOL – National Day for Truth & Reconciliation
October 6	Early Dismissal (2:15pm)
October 11	NO SCHOOL – Thanksgiving
October 12	School Council & Society Meetings (6:00pm)
October 13 & 14	School Picture Days

School Council Highlights

Trustee Report – Trina Boymook

- With the exception of masking, EIPS will be returning to normal operations including field trips, sport teams, extracurricular and performances.
- \$1.5M has been invested from reserves to address learning gaps and to enhance student social/emotional supports due to Covid.
- The Board has sent the Minister of Education a letter outlining concerns with the [draft Curriculum](#).

Administration Report – Tracey Arbuthnott

- Reduced 2021/22 Budget and challenges regarding Educational Assistant support.
- Continued facilities updates, including removal of two modular classrooms and landscaping.
- Shelley Moore proression, [Year Two](#).
- Funding requests for Society.

Teacher Liaison Report – Sheryl Tsiclas

- Division I math benchmark testing ongoing
- Division II focus on numeracy / literacy.

Chair Report – Lesley Bowman

- Our Council Mission is to provide a means for parents and the community to work together with administration, staff, and students to promote the well-being and overall effectiveness of the school community in an advisory role.
- Committee of School Councils ([COSC](#)) is pleased to provide this month's Saffron Cyber Second.
- [Caregiver Education Series](#) hosted by AHS, focuses on supporting student mental health.
- Alberta School Councils Association (ASCA) has requested feedback on this month's [Parent Engagement Task Force Questionnaire](#).

Volunteer Parents Society Highlights

Treasurer Report – Cara Kern

- Looking for someone interested in shadowing the Treasurer role this year to take over next year.
- 2020/21 Audit completed over the summer.
- Review allocation of currently available funds.

Yearbook – Trina Loucraft

- Yearbook flyer to be sent out later this year.

Yearbook – Darrell Bradley

- Watch for our apparel flyer mid-October.

Fundraising & Community Building

- Send your Wye Road Save On receipts to school with your child, Save On will donate 5% of your purchases back to Pine Street!
- Our Cobs fundraiser is currently under review...stay tuned for program details!

Get social with us!

