

Dewberry School Council Meeting Minutes

Date: March 5, 2025

Time: 6:30 PM

Location: Dewberry School

Chairperson: Kellie

Recorder: Tyler Comeau

1. Call to Order

- Meeting called to order at **6:30 PM** by Kellie.
- Attendance was recorded: Darlene, Carrie, Hannah, Kristen, Jill, Kellie, Stacey, and Tyler.

2. Adoption of Agenda & Previous Meeting Minutes

- Agenda for the meeting was presented and adopted, motioned by Kellie and seconded by Stacey.
- Previous meeting minutes were reviewed and adopted, motioned by Kellie and seconded by Kristen.

3. Reports

Student Report (Hannah)

- Discussed involvement in the **Greenhouse Green Certificate** and **Hydroponic Vertical Growing System** trip to **Vertical Roots**.
- Shared experiences about **Trusted Fork** and their commitment to locally sourced food.
- Participated in programs like **Cow-Calf Green Certificate** and **Land-Based Agriculture**.

Teacher Report (Mrs. Kern)

- Mrs. Kern shared her experiences teaching **Grade 1, 2, and 3**.
- Spoke about the **Literacy Program** that is now recognized as one of the best in **Buffalo Trail**.
- Shared successes in student reading improvements and flexible classroom seating arrangements.
- Expressed appreciation for supportive staff and student dedication.

Principal Report (Tyler Comeau)

- **Parent Surveys** have been sent out for those with students in Grade 4 and above.
- Shared **AERR data**, showcasing positive student engagement and well-being metrics.
- Highlighted recent events:
 - **Snowshoeing, Ice Fishing, and Coffee with the Principal.**
 - Successful transition of **Semester Changeover**.
 - **Generate Conference** participation by students in land-based programs.
 - **Solar Panel Partnership** exploration with **Paragon Solar**.
 - Upcoming **Colony Tours** and **Parent Teacher Interviews**.
 - The **Career Event** at JR Robson for Grade 11 and 12.
 - **Try a Trade** event for Grade 9 at Lakeland Campus.
 - **Superintendent Learning Visit** scheduled for March 25th.

4. Scholastic Book Fair Update

- Presented by **Jill Holgate**.

- Scheduled for March 19–20, 2025, to coincide with **Parent Teacher Interviews**.
- Goal set for **\$2,000** in sales, potentially earning **\$600 in Scholastic Dollars**.
- Will be hosted in the **current literacy room** for easy access.

5. Council of Councils Update

- Stacey and Kellie will attend the next **Council of Councils Meeting** at JR Robson on **March 21, 2025**.
- Information and learnings to be shared in the next School Council Meeting.

6. New Items

- **Spring Photos** booked with **Life Touch**.
- A survey is planned for **hot lunch program** exploration, aiming to provide meals every school day.
- **Parent testimonials** will be gathered to promote Dewberry School in the **April/May** timeframe.
- Open call for ideas to increase **lunchtime student engagement**.
- Possible **Art Club** and **Crocheting Club** to be considered for next year.

7. Next Meeting Date

- Next meeting is scheduled for **April 2, 2025**, at **6:30 PM**. ****Amended to May 7th****
- Discussion on whether meetings should be held in **April, May, and June** or skip April and continue with May and June.

8. Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at **7:26 PM**.