



**Albert Lacombe School Council Meeting**  
**October 15 2024**  
**7:00pm**  
**Albert Lacombe School/hybrid/online**

Attendance

Allan Menduk, Principal

Lindsey Pratt, Vice Principal, parent

Brianne Tworek, Teacher

Dean MacNeill, SEEALS President, parent

Natalie Monette School Council Chair, parent

Serena Shaw, Trustee

Jaime G.

One parent online

1. Call to order; 7:03 pm
2. Introductions
3. Prayer, Allan Menduk
4. Acknowledgement of Territories, Allan Menduk
5. Approval of the Agenda (members may request an item be added to the agenda at this time)  
**Dean MacNeill motioned to approve the agenda. Seconded by Brianne Tworek**
6. Review and Acceptance of minutes from the last meeting held on September 24 2024  
**Dean MacNeill motioned to approve the minutes. Seconded by Allan Menduk**
7. Business arising from previous minutes – n/a

## 8. New Business:

8.1 School/Teacher priority list: Allan highlighted need for financial help from School Council/SEEALS:

- IXL subscription \$4500 approximately due in January 2025
- Brain Pop subscription \$3600 approximately due in January 2025
- table top kiln for pottery, price unknow, date unknown

## 9. Reports

### 9.1 Principals Report: Allan Menduk

- School Photos – Re-Schedule Date: Monday October 28
- Budget – looking to add a part time or full time teacher, will wait on approval after reconciliation of student enrollment
- Cogito Uniform Challenges
- Extreme Weather Conditions reminders for parents, students must dress appropriately
- Halloween – October 31<sup>st</sup>: students encouraged to wear costumes OR orange and black
- Monthly Friday Assemblies beginning
- Christmas Concert information, date is December 18<sup>th</sup>
- Parent-Teacher Interviews in October
- Catholic Education Week: October 19 – 25
- Catholic Education Sunday – October 20
- St. Albert Parish upcoming events

### 89.2 School Trustee Report – Copied from Serena Shaw’s report

“Consent and Action Items: 1. Locally Developed Courses 2. Board Policy Review Schedule 3. 2024-2025 Board Monitoring Calendar 4. Laura Bird Memorial Beacon of Hope Award Recipient Name 5. Catholic Education Sunday

Report from the Superintendent: 1. Student use of personal mobile devices and social media update

Division News On August 26th, we gathered as a faith community at Holy Family Parish to kick off the new school year with our Opening Mass. We were blessed to welcome new staff to our division, who join us in our mission to inspire excellence and lifelong learning throughout our schools. A special highlight was the recognition of Trish Lema, whose extraordinary career has been filled with faith, kindness, and generosity. Trish, your profound impact on our community is beyond measure, and we are deeply grateful for your tireless dedication. Congratulations on receiving the Laura Bird Memorial Beacon of Hope Award! We were also privileged to have guest speaker David Wells share his insights on our

2024/2025 Faith theme: Growing in Mercy, With the Son. Let us move forward together, rooted in faith and community, as we celebrate the start of a new school year! Many of our schools hosted welcome-back socials this month, creating a warm and welcoming environment for students and families as they returned to school. These events provided a wonderful opportunity for the school community to reconnect, meet new faces, and kick off the school year with excitement and a sense of belonging. We are grateful for the efforts of staff, students, and families in making these gatherings a success, setting the tone for a fantastic year ahead! School News Today our École Sacré Coeur Panthers had our first school-wide Monday Morning Assembly! We joined together in prayer, sang O'Canada, learned about who we are as Panthers, went over weekly events, school expectations and values (HRTS), and acknowledged this week's Birthdays! Most importantly we explained which House our Grade 1-4 students belong to! We are excited to host this year's Sorting Ceremony for our Kindergarten students! At École Secondaire St. Albert Catholic High School, our junior girls' volleyball team kicked off their season with an impressive victory, earning gold at the SCA tournament! This fantastic achievement showcases their hard work and dedication. Congratulations to the team for such a strong start, and we look forward to many more successes this season! Day 1 of Welcome Back Spirit Week at Legal School was a hit with Twin Day! Our students and staff went all out with creative twin (and triplet!) outfits, bringing loads of fun and energy to kick off the week. A special shoutout to our "Titan twins" who rocked matching necklaces, showcasing their school spirit! Stay tuned for more fun as Spirit Week continues! At ESSMY, two remarkable students, Calla Pederson and Rylee Haig, showed exceptional kindness and responsibility by helping younger ESC students who accidentally got off at the wrong bus stop. Their quick thinking and willingness to assist ensured the safety of their peers. In recognition of their thoughtful actions, the school will be honouring Calla and Rylee, with appreciation from both the Transportation Department and the Division. These acts of service remind us of the strong community spirit within our schools! Consent and Action Items: • 2024-2027 Marketing and Communications Strategy • Property Disposition Report from the Superintendent: • 2023-2024 Safe and Caring Schools Report “

### 9.3 Teacher's Representative – Brianne Tworek, Grade 3B

1. Read in week featured daily activities and special readers from the community
2. Swimming field trip coming up for specific grades
3. Courtyard is almost done – will have a liturgy there coming up
4. Catholic Education Week will be featured, themed activities
5. Bear Den first of year upcoming, Halloween themed
6. Rapunzel ballet/Artist in Residence booked for entire school to enjoy in January (paid in part by culture fee which is part of fees paid by families, total cost \$950)

#### 9.4 Compassionate Friends - Lindsey Pratt

- No requests

#### 9.5 Vote in School Council Executive for 2024-2025

- School Council Vice Chair will be Jaime Gordon, Natalie Monette motioned, accepted by Jaime Gordon
- SEEALS Treasurer will be Krystal Ralph, Dean MacNeill motioned, accepted by Krystal Ralph (implied consent through previous communication as she did not attend this meeting)

#### 9.6 Society Enriching Education at Albert Lacombe School Report – Dean MacNeill, SEEALS President

- Fundraising underway, hot lunch is in motion, Halloween dance coming soon, spirit wear orders due October 26, art cards
- Proposing a Christmas sale specifically to begin fundraising for a new playground
- For SEEALS budgeting: Dean MacNeill motioned to \$250 for In-School Charity, seconded by Natalie Monette

#### 10. Next meeting;

November 26 2024, no meeting in December, rest of year meetings to be determined in November

#### 11. Adjourn 8:04 pm