



Albert Lacombe School Council Meeting
February 25 2025
7:00pm
Albert Lacombe School/hybrid/online

Attendance

Allan Menduk, Principal

Leah Kres, Teacher

Greg Schell, Trustee

Dean MacNeill, (Society Enriching Education at Albert Lacombe School) SEEALS President, parent

Jaime Gordon, School Council Vice-Chair, parent

Natalie Monette, School Council Chair, parent

1. Call to order; 7:02 pm
2. Introductions
3. Prayer, Allan Menduk
4. Acknowledgement of Territories, Allan Menduk
5. Approval of the Agenda:
 - Jaime Gordon motioned to approve the agenda with following additions:
 - Conversation about read a thon, upcoming SEEALS fundraiser
 - Seconded by Dean MacNeill
6. Review and Acceptance of minutes from the last meeting held on January 28 2025
Dean MacNeill motioned to approve the minutes. Seconded by Alan Menduk
7. Business arising from previous minutes –
 - a. Alberta School Council Engagement (ASCE) grant of \$500 – Albert Lacombe is hoping to partner up with Bertha Kennedy school and J.J. Nearing school to employ speaker Kwesi Millington on tentative date of May 14th, the total cost of this presenter is \$1800
 - b. School/Priority list - nothing new
8. New Business:
 - a. Society Enriching Education at Albert Lacombe School (SEEALS) Read-A-Thon upcoming, teacher input for organizer/SEEALS President Dean MacNeill, could counting minutes vs. pages be considered. Week of May 5 – 9 2025, pledge sheets and information must be in teachers hands the week before to prepare themselves and students.
 - b. Annual Event – Spring BBQ date is May 21st 2025, looking for volunteers!

9. Reports

9.1 Principals Report: Allan Menduk

- Registration is available for Returning (Current) Students, new students, parents please update medical information and contact information including emergency contact information
- Albert Lacombe Catholic Elementary School Open House was Wednesday, February 19th 2025 between 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm
 - Thank you to Dean MacNeill SEEALS President for coming
- Faculty Update:
 - Educational Assistant: Megan Johnson will return to AL date March 3 2025
- Happy Birthday to our school's namesake: Father Albert Lacombe Date of Birth: February 28 1827
- School Supply Review – looking at school supply lists
- School Supply Supplier and Agenda Review
- Labour Action: Education Assistants/Support Staff and Teachers - collective agreements expired, prepare for negotiations, Provincial Budget to be released February 27 2025
- Attendance Matters and Reporting Absences – Reasons
- Pink Shirt Day – Wednesday, February 26th
- Treehouse Pre-School update
- Monthly Friday Assemblies information
- Eye See.. Eye Learn program through Alberta Health
- VJM Open House: February 26 2025 @ 6:30 pm
- St Albert Parish (SAP) activities upcoming: Fiesta Before Fasting
- Shrove Tuesday students at AL will all get pancakes! Tuesday March 4th
- Ash Wednesday Liturgy, Wednesday March 5 at 10:45 am
- Faculty Meetings January 30th and February 14th highlights
- What is Teachers' Convention discussion
- 2024/2025 Alberta Education Assurance (AEA) Survey to be Issued this Week to families with students in grades 4, 7 and 10 and possibly others depending on size of school
- Lunch Hour Supervisors NEEDED
- Trustee Election: October 2025
- 2025 AGM Notice for the GSACS Education Foundation – Thursday April 3rd at 7 pm, more details soon, Board Members needed

9.2 School Trustee Report –Greg Schell

- Archbishop Richard Smith moving to Vancouver
- Divisional Calendar discussion
- VJM open house coming up soon
- SACHS plug
- Student Engagement Committee coming soon with principals in each school appointing 2 students/school
- Trustee area coverage changed recently, 5 trustee in St. Albert, 2 to cover Legal/Morinville
- Trustee election in October 2025

9.3 Teacher's Representative – Ms. Leah Kres (Grade 4/5A):

- Ash Wednesday Liturgy – Grade 4B and Grade 4/5A to be taking part/leading
- 5B field trip
- Numeracy Week coming soon, asked for \$150 from SEEALS, motioned by Natalie Monette, seconded by Dean MacNeill
- there is a student teacher at school being very helpful to the staff

9.4 Compassionate Friends - Lindsey Pratt

- Nothing required since last meeting

9.5 Vote in School Council Executive for 2024-2025

- No vote in this meeting, still looking for school council secretary and SEEALS VP

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

- Working on a SEEALS manual
- Read a thon upcoming, 2nd annual, date set May 5 – 9 2025
- Spring Market sale upcoming, May 31 2025
- SEEALS going to give \$500 for Grade 6 Farwell, motioned by Natalie Monette, seconded by Dean MacNeill
- Playground focus for SEEALS:
 - Planning events/fundraising
 - Design structure
 - Grants

10. Next meetings;

April 8

May 13 (last one of the year)

11. Adjourn 9:05 pm