

**ELIJAH SMITH SCHOOL COUNCIL
 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting
 March 5, 2019
 School Library**

Present:	Council Members: Jeff Hunston: Chair Sean Smith Linda Moen Rachel Sutherland Jerry Zahora: Secretary Treasurer	Administration: Jim Snider: Vice Principal
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Regrets:	Rosemary Waugh-Wilson: Council Member Sarah Norlin: Council Member Jim Complak: A/Principal Amanda Leas: Council Member
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Guests:	Souhail Soujah: Superintendent of Schools Chris Gleason: CELC
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1. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 6:43PM.

2. **Adoption of Agenda:** Moved by Rachel, second by Sean, THAT the agenda be adopted. CARRIED

3. **Adoption of Minutes:** Moved by Linda, second by Sean, THAT the Minutes of Regular Meeting, February 5, 2019 be adopted. CARRIED

4. **Parent Concerns:**
 There were roundtable discussions with reference to cultural programming at the school. Council feels it is diminishing and is concerned.

The Bison Hunt has been postponed until next year, due to unforeseen circumstances.

Mrs. Bradford who has been leading the hunt for several years, is not available and as well, her husband, who is a Paramedic and has been involved as well, is not available. Conservation Officers are not available.

5 students have prepaid the fee to do the Bison Hunt and there was a suggestion that perhaps they could team up with the Porter Creek Secondary students who are going.

ACTION: Alex Morrison, teacher, from PC will be contacted to see if they would be willing to take our 5 students with them.

ES students will be going to the Reserve and will be learning how to dress animals, set snares, etc. instead this year. They will have the opportunity to help with Elk, Sheep learn how to set snares.

5. School Administration Report:

- Enrolment: 252
- Feb. 15: Gr. 7 Valentines dance held
- Feb. 20: A Traditional French Music presentation held
- Culinary Program for Whitehorse, held Feb. 27, is called: `Kids in the Kitchen``
- SGP, Mtg. held Feb 26,
- K registration has begun, with 18 registered
- PA/Communication system installation is approx. 90% complete. However, it is still a "work in progress".
- Siding to be replaced in summer of 2019
- Carpet replacement to be done in summer 2019
- Heating ductwork upgrade almost complete
- Staffing for next year: 2 positions lost.
- Learning Together Program to be at the school.

There were roundtable discussions on how to increase student population at ES.

Souhail discussed the principal position with School Council. Will provide a posting to School Council for review. Council will be involved in posting and hiring.

5.1 Code of Conduct:

Jim S has been reviewing the Code of Conduct that the Carcross school uses. Will discuss with staff and then will bring back to school council to discuss, review.

ACTION: Chris Hanlin, Director of Operations, Dept. of Education to be invited to a Council meeting to discuss some maintenance issues.

6. CELC:

- This week is Cultural Week
- Shirley Adamson will be sharing stories
- Sean S. will do songs
- There will be hand games, with 2 teams with 6 per team, Gr. 4 – 7 participating.

7. **Reports:**
 - 7.1 Transportation advisory: (Busing): No report
 - 7.2 School Diversity: No report
 - 7.3 School Growth Plan: Mtg. held Feb. 26, 2019 with staff

8. **AYSCBC:**

9. **Treasurer's Report:** Balance in account, \$6,178.73

10. **Old Business and Correspondence:**
 - 10.1 School Calendars:
 - Bell Schedule for 2019-20, administration provided to dept.
 - Confirmation of Key Dates for 2022-23:
 - Council confirms the following dates:
 - Start date: August 22, 2022,
 - End date: June 16, 2023

11. **New Business and Correspondence:**
 - 11.1 Stantec Traffic Report: Deferred to next meeting

12. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 9:25PM
Next Regular Meeting, April 2, 2019

Jeff Hunston:
Chair

Jerry Zahora:
Secretary Treasurer