

**ELIJAH SMITH SCHOOL COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of Special Meeting**  
**August 24, 2021**  
**Via ZOOM**

*“School council would like to acknowledge that we are on the lands of the Kwanlin Dun First Nation and Ta’an Kwach’an Council and would like to thank them for allowing us to live and work on their traditional land.”*

**Present:**           **Council Members**  
Sean Smith: Chair  
Jeff Hunston: Vice Chair  
Megan Cromarty  
Rosemary Waugh-Wilson  
Rachel Sutherland  
Jessie Dawson  
Jerry Zahora: Secretary Treasurer

**1. Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 6:37PM.

**2. Adoption of Agenda:**  
Moved by Jessie, second by Megan, that the agenda be adopted with the following  
Change: Move in Camera from 3.5 to 3.1.

**3. In Camera:**  
**MOTION:**           **Moved by Megan, Second by Jeff, THAT Elijah Smith School Council moved  
In to camera at 6:39PM.**

**MOTION:**           **Moved by Megan second by Jeff, THAT the Elijah Smith School Council moves  
out of camera at 7:45PM.**

**ACTION:**           Megan to reach out to AYSCBC re: Mediation.

**ACTION:**           Roles and responsibilities of School Council to be worked on

**3.2 Back to School Covid Plan:**  
Council held discussions with respect to the COVID back to school plan.  
Jeff brought up a concern with no mask wearing in the classroom. And inquired into the logic of that. Students are to wear masks in the hallways, common areas.  
The virus could be transmitted in the classrooms as well. The potential is there to further transmit it in the school.

Jeff understands the mental health and well-being of students, but this is a matter of death or not. Feels it is a problem in no masking in classrooms!

Rosemary feels that the no masking is a concern as well.  
Council held roundtable discussions on the no mask rule in classrooms.

Jessie asked how does this impact everyone, the students, and families.  
What about the students that cannot get vaccinated due to allergies.

Vaccination for kids 12 and under is still in the testing phase at this time.

Sean is ok with the plan as it is adaptive. As well, he informed council that  
Dr. Smart accepts the plan.

Megan is ok with plan as well.

**ACTION:** To be discussed further at the Sept. regular meeting.

Back to school COVID plan is also available on line.

**3.3 Communication:**

Council discussed how to communicate with parents? Suggestion perhaps  
set up a Facebook page? Or put something in the Newsletter from School Council?  
Or do parents want a paper copy?  
Parents are to be asked which they would prefer.

**ACTION:** To be discussed further at the Sept. meeting

Is there going to be a welcome back BBQ?

**3.4 2021-22 Road/Parking lot Safety: (Megan)**  
Columns are working at this time.

The Black Cat Data: will invite to Oct. meeting to discuss.

**ACTION:** Megan to invite representative to our October meeting.

**3.5 2021-22 School Swag: (Megan)**

Council discussed and a decision to bring to our October meeting designs for  
shirts, hoodies, etc.

**ACTION:** to provide designs for our October meeting

**MOTION:** **Moved by Rosemary, second by Megan, THAT the Elijah Smith School  
Council makes a MOTION to extend the SWAG until end of school year.**

**CARRIED**

4. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 8:20PM  
Next regular meeting, September 7, 2021 (following AGM)

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Sean Smith: Chair  
Jeff Hunston: Vice-Chair

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Jerry Zahora: Secretary Treasurer