

# MINUTES

## Your School Council minutes

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April 24th, 2025/6:00 pm | Meeting called to order by Shelby Smigelski

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### In Attendance

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Aileen Wagner – School Trustee, Ward Four	Lynn Lang - Asst Principal
Cherie Lovsund – Principal	Michelle Villadsen
Sharon Shave - Secretary	Jessica Lutz
Shelby Smigelski - President	Andrea Barkhouse
Bailey Fredette	Tara Williams
Margo Gaudry	Laurel Cromarty
Jessica Lutz	

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### Welcome & Introductions

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Shelby called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

Review of Agenda and Approval of Minutes

Jessica Lutz and Michelle Villadsen approved both the agenda and January minutes. The meeting was then turned over to Aileen Wagner for the trustee report. Please click [here](#) for more information.

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### Principal's Report

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Mrs. Lovsund shared an update with regard to what is happening at Duffield School

#### Archery

- We have a big gathering of students who love archery. We started with older kids, Grade 4 and up. Jonathan Kehler has been trained in Archery, and he has been watching results from other schools and feels that Duffield will be very competitive. For next year we are looking at participating in various circuits of Archery tournaments.

#### Basketball Development Camp

- One of our parents has been actively involved in leading this camp. We have had a great turn

out of kids, around 24. The purpose of this camp is to help develop the skills that the students will need once they are in junior high. We hope to do this with other sports like volleyball.

## **Badminton**

- We are now into Badminton. It took a bit to get the season started but they are now in full swing and the season is going well.

## **Development Plan 2025-2026**

- Mrs. Lovsund is looking for feedback as it relates to what we need for academics and wellness. So what does it look like from the parents' perspective?
  - **Track and Field**
    - Discussion around is there space in all schools? The PCAA has established track meets by zones, not unlike what we did last year for Gr 7-9. Cherie met with Duffield staff to discuss what we can do. Feedback from the teachers was that so many don't enjoy it and end up sitting on the sidelines. That needs to be changed so that all kids can enjoy the day. We have created a Track Club as an extracurricular club (sponsored by two teacher volunteers and two EAs) and teachers are teaching track and field within the classroom PE Lessons and there is a CTF devoted to Track. Through that we can determine who is competitive. Those students will then compete at the zone level. Our Kindergarten to Grade 6 will participate in a Fun Event Day along with Hot Dogs and concession. We are a part of PCAA, a body that decides on all of the events for sports. Ms. Stumbur is our representative and they set the standard for all school events.
  - **Ski Day for Grades 4-6**
    - We will look into the possibility of doing a day trip for next year to Rabbit Hill.

If there are any other ideas related to academics or wellness, the community will email Mrs. Lovsund with their ideas.

## **New Business**

### **Community Engagement**

- Cherie will follow up as the meeting was cancelled.

### **Literacy and Numeracy Intervention**

- A question was asked how this will look for next year as Mrs. Leavell's contract came to a close. Mrs. Satermo continues to do this but what it will look like next year still remains unknown at this time.

### **Jordan's Principle**

- No official update however there is a trustee meeting with regards to this next week. Cherie did give a brief overview of how the grant works.

### **ASCA Conference**

- Aileen just wanted to remind everyone that the trustees provide a grant of \$6000.00 for people who would like to attend. If there is interest in attending please send an email to Mrs. Lovsund.

### **Snowshoeing**

- We will continue to do this next year as all students are not interested in competitive sports so this is a good alternative.

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### **Adjournment & Next Meeting Date**

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Shelby Smigelski adjourned the meeting @ 6:38 pm

Next Meeting: May 21st, 2025