Kinosayo School Council Agenda

**Monday April 8, 2024 @7pm**

Google meet link: <https://meet.google.com/squ-jeiq-vqs>

Agenda:

1. Welcome/Announcements
2. [Approve last meetings minutes](https://docs.google.com/document/d/12bZwpSBDn3O6Id36ZkBWZKXG_pQ0l0TrlOl_Fh4FtNA/edit?usp=sharing)
   1. Approved by attendee
3. Trustee Message
   1. The board received as information a report outlining the key initiatives led by the Curricular Services team. - Cultivating Equity : [Curricular Services Education Plan](https://spschools.civicweb.net/document/99681/Curricular%20Services%20Education%20Plan.pdf?handle=A372F8F076904EE7B278B6C29499E980)
   2. The board approved the division’s 3-Year Capital Plan for 2025-2026 to 2027-2028 for submission to the Alberta government.
   3. The board received as information the Budget 2024 announcement from Alberta Education. Funding Manual was released March 28th.
   4. The board approved the continued utilization of the current location to house the Outreach program for an additional ten years. Upgrades will be made as necessary to make the building functional for a minimum of ten years.
   5. The board adopted:
      1. Board Policy C-130, Student Transportation.
      2. Board Policy D-150, Support Staff Growth, Supervision and Evaluation.
      3. Board Policy D-160, Support Staff Transfers and Evaluation.
      4. Board Policy D-180, Resolution of Complaints/Concerns Regarding Division Staff.
   6. The board provided direction to administration for the preparation of the final draft of Board Policy G-110, Educational Partnership and Sponsorships and the accompanying regulations.
   7. The board approved the division wide student fee listing for the 2024-2025 school year. Can be found in the board package.
4. Principal message/Activity
   1. 2024 Community BBQ
      1. May 30, 2024 5:30-7:30pm
      2. School Hosting
      3. $5 per person burger/hotdog, chips, pop, dilly bar
      4. Petting zoo
      5. Need to check with KPA if they wish to join with other activities such
   2. Spring collective
      1. Students/Staff loved it
      2. Any feedback from the school council?
      3. We are looking to purchase a stage ramp - approx. $7000 to make the stage more accessible for future performances.
         * St. Albert Community Foundation - look into a grant/funding from them
         * River City Rentals/Events - might sell off some of their inventory (Joe)
   3. Celebration of learning next week
      1. Homeroom teachers are organising their centres as they feel best suits their families.
      2. Teachers will be available for a conversation as part of the centres or upon request
   4. Registrations for next year:
      1. Kindergarten Am@28, PM@6, Fullday@13
         * Still have room, and are awaiting a few registrations
      2. Grade 1-6 – Still waiting for some re-registrations from families
         * Numbers are a bit lower than expected, but often change in August, so not worried yet:) but if you know people looking for a school send them our way:)
   5. Any other questions or items you would like to hear about or to discuss?
5. Policy Minute
   1. None this month
6. Other business
   1. Parent Engagement
      1. DivisionSOGI Pride Panel for Allies
         * April 25 @ 6:30pm at Leo Nickerson
         * Do we do a piggyback event? Friday April 26?
         * Can we do a LGBTQ session the following week?
           + Wednesday, May 1?
           + Yes, we still want our own Kino event
      2. Topics for Kino
         * When To Seek Help For Kid’s Behaviour - May 16
           + At what point do you book a meeting with the teacher, touch base with a behaviour consultant, or seek a diagnosis?
         * Stranger Danger - June 20
           + Teaching kids about strangers doesn’t prevent them from interacting with them, and most danger isn’t from strangers.
   2. COSC Survey (Discussion topics)
      1. TV at lunch - In the district, 45% students are eating in front of a screen at lunch. Thoughts?
         * At Kino, roughly 80% are not using technology at lunch, 20% yes - mostly out of necessity
         * Generally, there’s a preference that our kids are not watching screens at lunch. But also, we understand it’s necessity at times.
      2. Use of technology - District does not currently have a policy on number of hours on screen - as a district, should we be creating policy? Restrictions? Etc.
         * Chromebooks being replaced every 5 years
         * At Kino, we follow: Direct supervision, curricular connections, teacher-directed use of technology.
         * Technology shifts so rapidly - it is hard to come up with policy that can be as fluid as the technology itself.
      3. Provincial testing - District is under-performing compared to province - thoughts?
         * + If a kid doesn’t write the test, it counts as a 0% - so what is “average”?
           + As a district, we are re-evaluating what these tests even mean. What are they for? Are we keeping tabs on teachers? Are we trying to get “numbers”? What kind of tool is it?
      4. Report cards- Is the lack of clear objective report cards an issue for our school community?
         * + One attendee’s feedback: It’s not even really appropriate in div 1 to be assigning percentages. In div 2, we might be able to start preparing them for some more hard numbers on assignments and grades, so that moving into junior high, they are not totally surprised about where they’re at?
           + Admin feedback - Teachers should be helping students \*\*prepare for junior high tests \*in\* junior high

If there is an under-preparedness, there needs to be changes to practices in *junior high*, not in elementary school

Our job in elementary is \*not\* to prepare students for junior high school - that is a false premise

1. Adjournment