



Immanuel Christian Secondary School Council Meeting Minutes

802 6th Avenue North, Lethbridge, Alberta
Learning Commons at 7pm
Wednesday, April 24, 2024

Meeting was called to order by Matthew Bekkering at 7:02pm. Nine people were present.

Devotions and prayer was led by Matthew Bekkering (John 8).

Review of the Agenda was reviewed and approved.

Monica Lowen provided notes from previous School Council meeting.

We continue to look for parents to fill the Executive positions (Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer).

Society Board Update – Monica Lowen

- May 6-10 is Christian Education Week
 - Various events planned – including combined Chapel, legacy breakfast, community BBQ.
- Friends of Immanuel Dinner was cancelled due to weather
- May 27 - Spring Society Meeting. Agenda items include approval of budget, election of Board members and Small group, facilitated discussion on the updated Society document, "*Guidelines for Creating a Safe and Caring School for LGBTQ+ Students*"

Division Trustee's Report – Andrea Andreachuk

- Topics discussed at recent meeting:
 - Budget, school trips, highlighted schools, ICE scholarships, calendar policy, Arts Alive, Community Conversations (May 15), Open House (April 30), Garry Station elementary school progress

Division Executive Report – Morag Asquith – regards

ICSS Teacher Representative – Danielle Friesen provided a brief update

Principal's Report - Matthew Bekkering

- Christian Education Week – events planned

- Requested suggestions on how to engage the parent community during that week
 - Grandparent event post-chapel that showcases student art, 3D design, shop projects, etc. Provide snacks made by students.
- Grades 7-9 attended a Youth Conference at Taber Christian School
- Sr. Girls Basketball – Provincial Champions – event hosted by ICSS
- Tft update – develop a *school deep hope*
- Course selection process for 2024/25. Addition of Bible 10 class
- Staffing update
- Arts Alive
- Dual Credit
- Student Registration
- Travel Club for grade 11 & 12 students

Division School Council Update

- Alberta School Council Engagement Grant – use funds to compensate speakers, purchase books, etc.

Members Business – the following topics were discussed:

- Gym use at Secondary School
- Outdoor activities/classes
- Promotion of Kaylee Low – speaker at special event on May 15
- Assurance plan
- Safe Arrival app
- Calendar of important learning dates
- Single communication platform used by both campuses
- High school policy regarding assignments

Upcoming School Council Meeting Dates:

- Wednesday, June 5 at 7:00pm

Closing and prayer – Monica Lowen closed the meeting at 8:34pm