

**École Secondaire Lindsay Thurber Comprehensive High School**  
**School Council Minutes for Monday, March 25, 2019**

Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm by Robert Pack with the recognition statement:

*We acknowledge that we are on Treaty Six territory to the North of the Red Deer River and Treaty Seven territory to the South of the Red Deer River.*

*We acknowledge and give thanks to all the many First Nations, Metis and Inuit whose footsteps have marked these lands for centuries.*

Robert also read our Mission Statement: ***“École Lindsay Thurber Comprehensive High School is committed to educating our students in a safe, inclusive learning environment, that embraces the diversity of our students and ensures the supports are in place to reach their full potential.”***

Robert Pack welcomed everyone to our meeting.

**1.0 Minutes of the February 25, 2019** meeting were presented for approval. Kristine Plastow moved to accept the minutes from the February 25, 2019 meeting. Carried.

**2.0 No Circulation to distribute.**

**3.0 Leadership Report:**

**1. Introduction**

- a. As always leadership would love your feedback! You can email us @ [ThurberRaiders@rdpsd.ab.ca](mailto:ThurberRaiders@rdpsd.ab.ca).

**2. Past/Continuing Events**

- a. School T-shirts and scarves are being sold for \$10 in the cafeteria Thursdays at Flex during exec office hours
- b. Leadership Remind 101 is open to everyone in the school to stay updated ([rmd.at/lindsayth](http://rmd.at/lindsayth))
- c. We are using Snapchat, Instagram and Twitter (@ThurberRaiders) to inform the student body of upcoming events
- d. We have been doing a weekly showcase of members of leadership on our Instagram page
- e. Internal team's February 11th tacky tourist themes Pep Rally went well!
- f. Thurber Life team: Week of Wonder took place last week and it was a great success! We had great involvement in our themed days and announced prizes on our instagram each day for those who took place in the themed days. We also had hoverboards which were enjoyed by many of the students as well as a showcase for Urinetown, our school's musical.
- g. Community team: sold pies on Pi day eve and held their Women's shelter dinner on March 9th as well as sold roses during Week of Wonder March 20th & 21st .

- h. we have a new Broadcast board set up outside the science park. It showcases a monthly calendar overviewing the upcoming events alongside posters showing information for these events.
- i. For the rest of the school year we will be putting together a calendar for each teacher of the school showing all the events planned for the month.
- j. Food Friday was held last Friday and we sold freezies out of the exec office.

### **3. Future Events**

- a. Internal team is planning Thurber's Got Talent which will be held on April 15th. We are currently holding auditions and are also in search of some sponsors. If you know of any local businesses that would be willing to donate door prizes or cash prizes please let us know by contacting Mrs. Purcell at:  
kelsey.purcell@rdpsd.ab.ca
- b. Community team is planning on doing a janitor appreciation event in the upcoming months.

### **4. Closing Remarks**

- a. Questions, comments, concerns

Nicole Buchanan shared that RDPSD takes part in two boards - ASBA - Alberta School Board Association - every year our spring general meeting is in Red Deer. This year they are holding a mental health youth summit conference on June 3 & 4, coordinated by Headstrong. Three students from each school board will represent. Registration is \$300 per student. ASBA - will cover 1 registration. PSBAA - Public School Boards Association of Alberta - holds the Student Voice conference May 31 - June 2.

**4.0 ASCA Report - Robert Pack** reviewed the one resolution 19-18. Education funding framework review. This has been revised. There was no discussion on this resolution. Robert Pack will attend the ASCA AGM conference.

**5.0 City-Wide Council Report** - Kristine Plastow shared that the meeting held on March 5th was at GH Dawe. Bruce Buruma spoke on behalf of the Foundation and the things they are involved in: Reading college, Bright start, Finish line. Kristine shared that she has now joined the foundation board. Presentation from Trevor Pikkert - effect of smartphones on students. Della Ruston shared school transition tools - backpack - she will present at next school council. Information package was shared regarding the Women's Fun Run, including a family run as well. Next meeting May 7th at Central Services.

**6.0 School Report** - Dan Lower shared and reviewed the proposed 2020-2021 school calendar. Dan asked for feedback. Discussion on moving the fall break to Nov 11-13 and the PD day to Nov 16th or 20th instead of Nov 6th. Dan shared the amended LT Flex schedule proposal. This gives us an LT Flex class in the morning and an LT Flex class in the afternoon. Discussion followed: Two flex classes gives more options for students to access it. Doesn't cost us any teaching time. We have discussed this with Gateway as well. Dan will confirm with staff and will report back in April if we move forward with this.

**7.0 Meeting adjourned at 7:53pm**

Parents went to the Student Assistance Centre and had a tour and explanation of our SAC from Lindsay Hawrylak our Curriculum leader.