

Queen Elizabeth Elementary School Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 25, 2025, 6:30-7:00pm

Co-Chair: Alex Hunt

In attendance:

Travis Robertson - QES Principal, Dan Tinaburri- QES Vice Principal, Alex Hunt QESC Chair, Laura Allingham, Andrea Leier, Stephanie Cicero- QEEPS Chair, Michelle Fournier, Krista Willisroft, Jane Ewenson, Natasza Mizera, Leah Thorpe, Taryn Moran

Grade 2 teachers: Ms. Babuik, Mrs. Chapdelaine, Mrs. Shushko

Call to order

- a. Alex called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.
- b. Acknowledgement of the land given by grade 2's via video.
- c. Welcome and introduction
 - i. Alex made a motion to approve agenda, seconded by Laura
 - ii. Alex made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes, seconded by Stephanie

Reports

- a. School Report
 - i. Grade 2's Teacher report – Ms. Babuik, Mrs. Chapdelaine, Mrs. Shushko discussed the importance of community walks and using them to incorporate the curriculum. Visual journals used to document and capture what's learned on community walks including, how people, places and services shape our lives. Strengthen observational skills. Observe land, nature and people. Help to grow as curious and caring citizens.
 - ii. Principal Report - Travis Robertson, Principal, discussed our students return to school following the teacher strike and how the focus was on Reconnecting, Reassuring and Reinforcing. Report cards visible, IPP and EAL benchmarks, November 28.

Welcome Ms. Nasbia Barakatshah, grade 1 (Dec. 1 start)

Alberta Education's 'Aggression and Complexity in Schools Action Team: Final Report now available on website.

Reminder for parents/guardians to report illness/absences accurately to help identify reasons for absences.

- b. Important Dates

- i. Nov 27 - Parent Teacher Conferences
- ii. Nov 27 - PTI Teacher's crockpot dinner
- iii. Nov 28 – Non - instruction Day, Parent Teacher Conferences (AM)
- iv. Dec 1-5 – Book Fair
- v. Dec 10 - Photo Retakes
- vi. Dec 11- Fun Snack Kernel's Popcorn
- vii. Dec 12 - Teachers Holiday Lunch
- viii. Dec 18 - Fun Lunch- Boston Pizza (moved from Oct)
- ix. Dec 19 – Last day of classes before Winter break
- x. Jan5 – Classes Resume
- xi. Jan 15 - Subway Fun Lunch
- xii. Jan 20 – School Council & QUEEPS meeting 6:30 p.m.
- xiii. Jan 30 - No School

Old/Ongoing Business

- a. Fun Lunch 2025-26 – All dates are in Healthy Hunger and volunteers are always needed.
 - i. Dec 18 – Boston Pizza
 - ii. Jan 15 – Subway
 - iii. March 12 - Tim Hortons
 - iv. April 16 – Boston Pizza
 - v. June 18 – Saucy Pretzel Company
 Oder here: <http://healthyhunger.ca/>
- a. Popcorn Fun Snack 2015-26 – All dates are in Healthy Hunger
 - i. Dec 11
 - ii. Feb 19
 - iii. May 21
 Order here: <https://healthyhunger.ca/>
- b. Shirt Shop currently closed, will reopen after the holidays
- c. Fall Playground Clean up a success, thank you to volunteers
- d. Spring Gala - May 2, 2026. Planning and committee forming will begin in January

New Business

- a. Holiday Outreach Event – please see sign up genius with requests for gifts. Donations are due in to the office by Tuesday Dec 9. Gifts must be unwrapped and clearly labeled with age and gender according to sign up genius. Gifts will be wrapped after Dec 9, volunteers will be needed for wrapping, date TBD.
- b. Teachers Crockpot Dinner for Parent Teacher interviews
 - i. Nov 27
- c. Teachers Holiday Lunch
 - i. Dec 12 – sign up genius created and will be posted next week

- d. Recruitment: Always looking for people to join SC. Roles open for next year include Secretary and Key Communicator. Roles will have lots of support from current SC members.
- e. Community Engagement Grant - Discussed how to spend the annual \$500 grant. Currently spent on School Council website, new ideas include billboard style messaging board outside school. Guest speakers. Other possible signage. Travis will look into whether we would need facilities approval for such signage.
- f. Book Fair – (Leah) Book Fair info will be going home with students via agenda book this week with QR code. Book Fair will be case style in school foyer area. Book fair open Thurs evening for family purchasing and Friday after school for family purchasing

Adjournment

- a. Where to find us :
 - i. School Website – find links to School Council and QUEEPS at <http://school.cbe.ab.ca/school/queenelizabeth/get-involved/pages/default.aspx>
 - ii. School Council and Parent Society Website – www.qescouncil.ca
 - iii. Facebook – @qparents
 - iv. Instagram – qes_school_council
- b. Next Meeting Tuesday, January 20, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.
- c. Meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m. Seconded by Jane

Meeting Dates for 2025/2026

Tuesday, September 23, 2025	Tuesday, January 20, 2026
Tuesday, October 28, 2025	Tuesday, March 10, 2026
Tuesday, November 25, 2025	Tuesday, April 21, 2026
	Tuesday, May 26, 2026