

Meeting Minutes

17 September 2025 / École Montrose

1. Call to Order and Land Acknowledgement Dustin 6:28
2. Welcome & Introductions- Dustin (chair), Salene (co-chair), Matt (principal), Lynn(vice principal), Stephanie (vice principal), Valerie (secretary), Ray (Trustee) Tanya, Corbin, Julian (parents)
3. Review & Approval of Agenda- Tanya, Julian
4. Review & Approval of previous Minutes- Corbin, Tanya
5. Standing Reports
 - a. Chair Report- ASCA meeting.
 - i. Concerns re some students slipping through the cracks; ideas brought forward to the trustees
 - ii. ASCA AGM, new program access pass. Can put money towards a library of training secessions in addition to training succession. See if we want to take advantage of same
 - b. Trustee Report
 - i. Board met this am for superintendent interview, short list 4 applicants
 - ii. federal money- in chair report too
 - iii. montrose no staff tied to Jordan's principle (see here <https://www.sac-isc.gc.ca/eng/1568396042341/1568396159824>) suspended funding. looking at inequities
 - iv. Career pathways framework. Interconnectedness prek-12 and community partners; finding career goals starting at grade 5
 - v. Bursary: 60 applications, 4 applicants employment contracts and Kindergarden bursary; 3 more for year 3 teachers
 - vi. Edwin Par award
 - vii. 202-2026 funding, 4.1% more - 1.8% - increase in transportation, benefits, etc
 - viii. 1.4% enrollment increased. lowest per pupil grant in the country.
 - ix. Corbin shared on the career fair at Bonetts; Ecole montrose unable to participate this year; open to in future years. Have been looking at events to show kids how french relates to careers
 - c. Principal Report
 - i. 3d hockey/soccer. Kids were responsible, clean, sportsmanship. The soccer dates changed; 1st went well.
 - ii. volunteer tea this week

- iii. School plan- same plan, seeking feedback for strategies
 - 1. ask about support for teachers to meet goals; teachers getting release time, funding to come in extra hours. ask about counselors and people to come in; grants and french language resource center, indigenous programming. make sure that activities are purposeful, connected.
 - 2. will be on the public facing site after staff feedback is reviewed and included.
- iv. 5-6 track meets june 3;
- v. almost done seeing if families are coming back; phone calls and email
- vi. June 5th 6 pm, grade 8 celebrating and DJ with dance.
- vii. June 19 kindergarten celebration
- viii. waiting on 1 more position (mat leave) to fill. Have offer extended
- d. Vice Principal report
 - i. (Lynn)Darlene's last day was in April, she is retiring. Wishing her the best.
 - ii. Monique teaching about powwow k-4 performance.
 - iii. Next week leadership option class running a spirit week with theme days
 - iv. (Stephanie)- 41 students in track meet, 18 events and 3 relay teams, 35 medals. 1 and 2nd come in for zones. track and field is the only sport that mixes with other divisions (catholic and christian). finished 2nd overall. Public schools were well represented. cool seeing them try new things.
 - v. possible donation from TTT for a set of hurdles \$500; borrowed this year from aspen grove.
 - vi. Late entry- in the past had open house; this year there is "a day of ecole motrose". May 29th they will spend the school day here and be excused from their current schools. Pizza lunch ,meet with teachers, classmates. The last 30 minutes of the day parents can join and ask questions; good response from students and parents.

approval- tanya, salene

6. Old Business

- a. EM Library- met with Keegan, discussed dividing things up for the comittee. looking at getting 2 current students from 4-7 (5-8 next year). Students will apply to position, questionnaires to fill out for applications to get kids passionate about the library and reading. Mme Claudette, Kegan and Matt. kids can present here
 - i. shift to learning commons, looking at the books, recategorizing, get the space utilized better
 - ii. look at public library, other schools- suggestion to asking kids about visiting library

7. New business

- a. Speaking french in classrooms- noticed that is less speaking in french in classes around the school
 - i. last 5 years teacher shortages; difficulty with french, some classes taught in english like options; PE in english, principal is gaining comfort in speaking french. other classes have been

declining; have brought up in staff meetings. Value/belief/goal starting 4 years ago, coming back to framework and revamping it. reviews values/action/resources (can add whats in education plan) 50% of staff different than 4 years ago; time to revamp with new staff to support french language.

- ii. Midpoint survey identified that strengthening in French language and culture was needed. from council- Might be able to use library plan to promote
 - iii. incorporate french music; lizanne, asking kids to repeat, has been using in mornings and doing french pop music during arts
 - b. options- some classes felt like lacking "theory"/ content foundational; some classes don't have as well developed curriculum; is being looked at by administration. Please talk to admin with specific questions- 3 course descriptors CTF curriculum following. addressing insurance t; making sure projects for classes that they can take 2 years
 - c. School gear- ideas regarding bringing in old montrose gear in; tried at beginning of the year but not a good response.
8. Next meeting- September 17 2025 7:00pm
9. Adjournment 7:28