

Conseil de l'école Claudette-et-Denis-Tardif

April 3, 2018 at 7 pm

Meeting Minutes

10 Hawkins Crescent, Sherwood Park

Attendance: Marie-Pierre Castonguay, Annie Chouinard, Lisa De Sousa, Anita Gagné-Lemire, Karine Gervais-Thorson, Julie Harvey, Michel Lapointe, Marie-Claude Matte, Tanya Saumure

Guests:

Rod Frank, Mayor, Strathcona County

Bill Tonita, Ward 4 Councillor, Strathcona County

Robert Lessard, Superintendent, Conseil scolaire Centre-Nord

Nathalie Lachance, Chair of the Board of Trustees, Conseil scolaire Centre-Nord

1. Welcome and introductions

Tanya welcomes everyone

2. Adoption of the agenda

Karine proposes, Lisa seconds

3. Francophone vs. Immersion

Explanation of the major differences to our guests

4. Charter 23

Who is eligible for French-language education in accordance with Section 23 of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms

5. Hawkins Crescent

5.1. 83% of our students take the bus, which means that only 16 students come with their parents, including 1 family that walks

5.2. Discrimination coming from the neighbourhood

5.3. Suggestion from Councillor Bill Tonita: Joint use facilities in the County could possibly be used for physical education classes or other needs. We can talk to Parks and Recreations.

5.4. Site allocation committee

5.5. Councillor Robert Parks (Ward 1) is looking after the neighbourhood issue for us

6. Land available in Sherwood Park

6.1. Mayor Rod Frank suggests we use an old school. We don't want that option because we've been doing that for too many Francophone schools and want what the English majority gets. If an old school is not good for the English majority, why is it an option for us?

6.2. Councillor Bill Tonita asks what we are going to do when we have more students enrolled. We will most likely have to pick a room that is currently occupied for something else. We don't like the option of losing one of the services that we offer for that.

6.3. Nathalie Lachance explains what the needs of many CSCN schools are.

6.4. Other school boards have similar needs according to Mayor Rod Frank.

7. Community Hub Project

7.1. Good to build the community, good for French immersion students and parents. Good for anyone who speaks French or wants to learn French.

8. Additions

8.1. Zoning issues

8.2. Protest around new schools in mature neighbourhood

8.3. 2-storey building

8.4. If we need connections to county hall, write to the Mayor and they will help

9. Meeting adjourned

Tanya proposes, Marie-Pierre seconds