
New Horizons School Council Meeting Agenda

September 26, 2017
7:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Learning Common, New Horizons School

Bring/ Read: Please be aware that a limited number of paper copies of meeting minutes and agenda will be available. Agenda will also be shown on overhead projector during meeting. If you are able, please bring a device to view agenda online.

1. Call to order
2. Welcome and introductions
3. Review agenda
4. **Reports**
 - Chair report 5 minutes Kim Johnson
 - Principals's report 30 minutes Mr Zarowny
-Principals report attached. Report will also include a presentation and discussion on "Managing Student Behaviour"
 - Financial Officer's report 5 minutes Manda Wilde
 - FANHS' report 5 minutes FANHS representative
 - Communications Officer 5 minutes Kim Johnson
5. **Previously Tabled Business**
6. **Items for Discussion/Input** 45 minutes
 - Call for interest in Communications Officer executive position.
 - Due to carry over of large ticket expenditures, finalize amended Fund Allocation. To be sent to FANHS for vote.
 - VOTE (pending approval of updated Fund Allocation) on pre-approvals of yearly recurring expenditures; student incentives (\$5 per student plus \$200 for french,
 - ?music), babysitting (\$20 per meeting), recess equipment (\$50 per class X15 classes, kindergarten (\$ ____)and grade 9 grads (\$500), teacher interview meals (2X \$150), forgotten lunches (up to \$250).
 - VOTE (pending approval of amended Fund Allocation) \$9000 for Chrome books and cart.
 - Discussion about items motioned to be approved last school year but not submitted.
 - Discussion of possible School Council sponsored events this year.

7. **New Business**
 - Future meeting dates: Fourth Tuesday of the month? October 24, November 28, *December 19, January 23, February 27, *March 20, April 24, May 22, June 26 (AGM). To be finalized.
8. **Future Agenda Items**
 - To discuss drafting Article for Operating Procedure relating to records retention.
9. **Mail/ Communications**
 - ASCA email - School Council conference April 20-22
 - Minister Eggen letter to ASCA members.
10. Adjournment and confirmation for date of next meeting

NHS School Council Meeting Principal's Report

1. Managing Student Behavior At School

Information

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New Horizons School uses an approach to managing student behavior that helps students self-regulate and become more internally motivated. A brief overview of our approach which includes Zones of Regulation and Restitution-Self Discipline will be reviewed.

Parents are welcome to put forward questions regarding our procedures at the end of the presentation.

2. School Fees Background

Bill 1 and its associated regulations aims to reduce fees that are charged by schools. While Bill 1 does not apply to charter schools, NHS is working with the spirit of the legislation and last spring the Board approved a budget that included a planned reduction of our basic school fees charged at the beginning of the school year. During the course of the year, other fees are collected by the school as indicated below.

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| Text Books/Work Books | Grade 1-6 | \$20.00 |
| | Grades 7-9 | \$32.50 |
| Resources Incidental to Instruction (eg. take-home projects) | K | \$27.50 |
| | Grades 1-6 | \$32.50 |
| | Grades 7-9 | \$42.50 |
| Basic Option Fees | Grades 7-9 | \$40.00 |
| Options Course: ACL | Grades 7-9 | \$280 |
| Activity Fees/Field Trips | ECS | \$17.50 |
| | Grades 1-9 | \$35.00 |
| | Adv. Trip 8 | \$660.00 |
| | Adv. Trip 7 | \$300.00 |
| Lunch Supervision | K | \$50.00 |
| | Grades 1-9 | \$95.00 |

Note that with the field trip fees, the amount collected is used to cover entry fees only. The cost for transportation is covered by the school.

The office will send notice for school fees and begin collecting in the first week of October.

Not included in the fee schedule are **extra-curricular activity fees**. Our students from grades 5-9 participate in the Elk Island Catholic

Schools league, and fees are set annually by the Elk Island Catholic Schools Ports Council. Grade 7-9 basketball and volleyball is charged a fee per team. Fees charged per student are dependent upon the number of students participating. Fees range from \$5.00 per sport for Grades 5/6, and between \$30-\$50 for grades 7-9.

As well, not included on the schedule is the **Grade 9 Adventure Trip** which has cost, on average for the last few years, approximately \$2,500.00, and potentially swimming fees that would cost \$45.00 per student.

Action:

Feedback: School Council is requested to provide feedback regarding New Horizons School charging the above fees during the 2017-2018 school year.

3. Grand Opening Committee: Parent Participation

Information:

We are preparing for the Grand Opening of our newly modernized school. The date is yet to be confirmed, but it will be a few weeks after the Christmas break.

We are seeking two parents to join us on this committee. Action:

Any two School Council members interested in volunteering for participation in the NHS Grand Opening celebration are asked to put their names forward.