

## MEETING MINUTES

F.E. Osborne Junior High School Parent Council Meeting



Date: **Wednesday, April 1, 2026 at 6:30pm**

Meeting location: [Online - MS Teams](#)

Meeting Facilitator: Shannon Mitchell-Flek, F.E.O. Council Chair

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**Attendees:** Michael Cutler, Sheena Abboud McKenzie, Shannon Flek, Tawni Belliveau, Jenny Henri, Lisa Haines, Natalie Anderson, Amit Saduera, Melanie Graham, Addie, Kerrie, Mabkhot Bin Dahbag, Mel (Taelyn), Mike Morganton, Ere Akinrinmade, Roghayeh Heidari, Kevin Lau

1. CALL TO ORDER: 6:33 pm
2. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS
  - a. Micheal Cutler (Principal), Sheena Abboud McKenzie (AP), Shannon Flek (Chair), Tawni Belliveau (Vice-Chair), Natalie Anderson (Secretary), Amit Saduera (Treasurer), Leanne Morrow (Casino Coordinator), Lisa Haines (Special Events Coordinator), Marla Richardson (Fundraising Coordinator), Melanie G. (Fundraising), Jenny Henri (Key Communicator/Social Media)
  - b. Communicator/Social Media)
  - c. Welcome to everyone who has joined us online today!
3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
  - a. Motion: Melanie
  - b. Second: Tawni
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING (March 4, 2026)
  - a. Motion: Melanie
  - b. Second: Tawni
5. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT
  - a. Purdy's fundraiser has ended. Thank you to everyone who supported this.
  - b. Complexity funding teams
    - i. FEO was accounted for on the list for complexity funding as we were able to provide solid data showing the complexity when working with our students. When CBE looked at all the data other schools have emerged as having greater needs for complexity including those with English

language learners. Funding has therefore been dispersed to other schools that showed higher rates of complexity.

- ii. Have been given opportunity to raise the hours of our EAs to 30 hours per week. This won't make a huge difference as had already budgeted for this with complexity that we have. Not going to be affected positively by this funding from AB Education now but there is talk about what the complexity funding will look like for next year and how that will roll out with FEO's budget for next year. Was supposed to receive budget April 9 but told today that it will be April 23. Hoping to be able to share at parent council meeting in May.
- iii. We know we are losing students (due to boundary changes and Evanston middle school opening) and as a result teachers will next year. Delay of budget increases uncertainty and anxiety with teachers as it affects planning for next year.
- c. Musical production getting close to happening in next few weeks. Dates are not yet on FEO calendar. Dates have changed since strike and new dates had scheduling conflicts with Pickleball (outside organization). UPDATE: SCHEDULED FOR MAY 13 & 14 @ 7PM.
- d. CBE Student survey – Parents got email about this on Monday, March 30. Survey ties into the complexity data we collect. This informs how we spend our budget and how we support students. Have heard from parent council over last few years that having a full-time student services resource is very valuable. Hope to continue to have this.
- e. Grade 6 students currently at Camp Chief Hector for outdoor school.
- f. Next update in May should have more information on budgeting, RAM (resource allocation method), etc.

#### 6. SCHOOL COUNCIL UPDATES/BUSINESS FROM MINUTES:

- a. Future meeting dates: 1<sup>st</sup> Wed of the month: May 6, Jun 3
- b. 2026 School Planning: Reminder that a summary of the feedback from the Parent Council Meeting on March 4 and feedback provided by email will be shared by the end of April by Dr. Cutler. Continue to email with any additional feedback.
- c. Bus 795: Parent email received inquiring about how to get information out to parents to advocate for the route to continue during the transition (next 2 years) for current students from Sage Hill who would like to continue at FEO
  - i. How can this parent help advocate and contact parents? Can parent association help?

1. Parent comment: The school change is frustrating for those of us in Sage Hill. FEO will be down in student numbers, yet they are moving students to a school that isn't any closer to home. If a bus route were to continue to FEO can we then have our children go there? I understand we may not find out until later. I had emailed we would be moving but it was only due to a transportation issue.
  - a. Dr. Cutler – Has to be politically neutral in his role but is advocating in the ways he can.
  - b. Calgary Transit has told Dr. Cutler that they won't be making a decision re: continuation of 795 route until May 2026 at the earliest and it may be delayed.
  - c. Tuscany School Council is advocating around bussing and Sage Hill parents could reach out to them. Their petition is about needing 2 transfers to get to school so theirs is about complexity of the transit.
  - d. Suggestion to put something in the Sage Hill community newsletter.
  - e. School has suggested that 795 could stop at Simon Fraser and then continue onto FEO as would work with start times for both schools. Not sure if Calgary Transit is considering this.
  - f. Designations were finished 2 weeks ago but there is the [K-9 transfer form](#) that can be completed and it would be at the discretion of the principal at Simon Fraser to sign off on that to approve for student to come to FEO. Funding is based on students in seats and transfers can impact funding, staffing, etc.
  - g. Could be 200 students going from FEO to Simon Fraser which is about 15-16 teachers.
  - h. Can contact school trustee Jenny Regal to try to get some action around the bussing. Jenny Regal had recommended getting in touch with the MLA as well. [jelregal@cbe.ab.ca](mailto:jelregal@cbe.ab.ca)
    - i. Jenny Henri said that Jenny Regal came to Marion Carson school council meeting and she is trying to get around to all the school councils. Would suggest inviting her to a meeting. Shannon will reach out to see if available for May or June meeting.

- d. Healthy Hunger update (Marla/Melanie)
  - i. There are two upcoming fun lunches, April 8 (Papa Johns) and April 22 (Opa).
  - ii. Donations for lunches through Healthy Hunger – Not able to happen this year, maybe we can look into it for next year but will need to figure out the logistics. Marla has requested that someone else support with organizing this.
  - iii. Thank you to Melanie and Virginia for continuing to help with organizing the meals and thank you to the leadership students for delivering the meals.
  - iv. Can contact Marla Richardson or parent association email if interested in helping support Healthy Hunger.
  - v. Hoping to set up some other fundraising ones with Lisa and Melanie. Marla will set up behind the scenes and then Lisa and Melanie will run it.
- e. Social media presence
  - i. Key Communicator/Social Media Coordinator – Jenny Henri
  - ii. The Community of School Council (COSC) meeting scheduled for Wednesday, April 8, 2026 has been rescheduled to Wednesday, April 22, 2026. The meeting invitation and details were forwarded to Jenny (we need to RSVP). Jenny should be able to attend.
  - iii. FEO Parent Association Instagram (@FEOCouncil) is up and running! Are we good with the FEOCouncil or change to FEO\_parentassociation?
    - 1. Jenny did one post for Purdy's but is not familiar with Instagram. Would appreciate help with that role. If people have things they want posted, can send to Jenny and she will post.
  - iv. Can't seem to get onto Facebook again. Having issues with reactivation of account and creating a new account. Doesn't seem to be any recourse.
  - v. Can we put a link on the school website?
    - 1. Shannon: Who do we contact about updating the Parent Council/Association page and Parent Society Page on School Website? Need to remove Facebook account and CBE Connections link doesn't work. Dr. Cutler said it is him that can support this.
- f. Parent email list: Plan to set up a Google Form for next year so parents can sign up for the email list (Leeanne)
  - i. What information are we emailing parents? Nothing currently but could communicate out fundraisers, other ideas?

- ii. Parents who wish to be added this year can email [parentassociationfeo@gmail.com](mailto:parentassociationfeo@gmail.com)

7. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Thinking about Next Year: Open Parent Council Positions for 2026-27
  - i. Special Events Coordinator will be open
  - ii. Secretary will be open
  - iii. If anybody is moving on or would like to try something else, let council know for May so that we can start planning for next year.
- b. Shannon proposing in-person meetings for May 6 and June 3. Dr. Cutler will confirm space availability. Confirmed. Will also have a link out there for those who can't attend in-person.
- c. Parent Resources:
  - i. [Parenting in the Online World Webinar](#) on April 15, 2026 @ 6:30pm presented by [protectkidsonline.ca](http://protectkidsonline.ca): FREE, register online. During these sessions, the Canadian Centre for Child Protection will provide insights into concerning trends seen through operations of Cybertip.ca – Canada's tipline to report the online sexual exploitation of children, and provide considerations and resources for talking with children and youth about online safety.  
\*Please note that these webinars are only offered in English and are not intended for children.

8. NEXT MEETING DATE: Wednesday, May 6, 2026 @6:30 pm

9. ADJOURNMENT: 7:11 pm

- a. Motion: Melanie
- b. Second: Jenny