

# **Ecole Sir John Franklin High School**

## **Parent Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes**

### **Thursday, January 15, 2026**

**Present:** Dean MacInnis, Carla Skauge, Paula Campbell-Rogers, Janet Murray, Miki Ehrlich, Melinda Pedersen, Charlsey White, Pragna Chotalia, Lovely Kaur

#### **1. Approval of Agenda:**

- Agenda Approved  
Motioned by: Carla Skauge  
Seconded by: Melinda Pedersen

#### **2. Approval of Previous Minutes - November 20, 2025**

- Minutes Approved  
Motioned by: Janet Murray  
Seconded by: Charlsey White

#### **3. PAC Chairs Quarterly Meeting Report- January 7, 2026 - Miki Ehrlich**

- The meeting is attended by the Superintendent and PAC Chairs from YK 1 schools along with the YK 1 Board Chair.
- The School Board Trustee election is in October 2026 which coincides with the municipal election.
- Jordan's Principle funding cuts prompted the GNWT to come up with funding. 24 Educational Assistants were hired with that GNWT funding across the district.

- Music teachers in the district are meeting as part of their professional development.
- Discussion about forming a working group to promote fine arts around the district. Miki is interested in meeting with Susan Shantora to brainstorm ideas to promote and foster fine arts in the district.

#### **4. Principal's Report:**

- First semester finishes January 26 followed by report card writing day January 27. Semester one report cards will be available in Power School February 2. Semester two begins January 28 and staff will have paper copies of student's schedules available in the foyer before classes begin.
- Final exams will be held in classrooms not in the gym.
- Grade 10 students will take the B.C. Literacy assessment in April and the Numeracy assessment in June.
- Mr. Knox has left Sir John and new staff has been hired to teach a combination of CALM (Career and Life Management), Learning Strategies, and some Humanities courses.
- SJET trip to Europe in March 2027 in the beginning planning phase.
- Course selection for grades 9-11 is beginning in February where guidance counsellors will

assist students in picking courses for next year.

- B.C. curriculum is different from the Alberta curriculum in that some courses in the higher grades do not require a prerequisite like some Alberta courses do. Pathway to graduation looks different in the B.C. curriculum.
- Guidance counsellors hope to have course selection completed before March break.
- Draft calendar for the 2026-2027 school year will be available soon.

**5. Next meeting:** Thursday, February 12, 2026