

David Thompson School  
**School Council Meeting**

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**Meeting Minutes for November 20th, 2024**  
**(Virtual)**

<b>Attendance:</b>	Karla, Regan, Erin, Patrick, Chris, Cassandra, Shelanda, Pawel, Valerie, Joana, Jeff, Heshma, Rini, Olabisi, Gillian, Samantha
<b>Chair:</b>	Cassandra
<b>Start time:</b>	6:03

Category	Notes	Action
Welcome introductions, and acknowledgment of the land		
Approval of Agenda		Motion to approve: Patrick Second: Valerie
Approval of Minutes		Motion to approve: Jeff Second: Patrick
Admin Update	<u>School Development Plan</u> <a href="https://davidthompson.cbe.ab.ca/documents/bcddc894-7006-47db-bf16-ef7139adbf30/David%20Thompson-School-Development-Plan-24-25.pdf">https://davidthompson.cbe.ab.ca/documents/bcddc894-7006-47db-bf16-ef7139adbf30/David%20Thompson-School-Development-Plan-24-25.pdf</a>	
	<u>Results of PATS</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Grade 6 did NOT write:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ FLA, ELA, Math</li></ul></li><li>• <u>Literacy</u>: Very strong in reading and writing.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Area 6 excels compared to other areas</li></ul></li><li>• <u>Math</u>: Educators are working with students to identify current skills and what needs to be done to progress.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Strategies: discussion and visible learning to increase engagement.</li></ul></li><li>• <u>Truth and Reconciliation</u>:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ DTS has one of the highest scores within CBE for Indigenous Ways of Learning.</li></ul></li><li>• <u>Wellbeing</u>:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Student anxiety and depression up system-wide; admins are working together to support middle school students.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Goals: Connection to peers + school, Fridays are for building community + self reflection.</li><li>▪ ZenDen: Jane helping students build social-emotional skills.</li></ul></li></ul></li></ul>	

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	<p>School Focus 2024/25: Excellence in Math and Wellness.</p> <p>Q&amp;A:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● MyPass issues? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ email Chris for PDF results.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● How will DTS improve math results? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Math facts, inquiry, English stream extra numeracy block, visible skills to help struggling students.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Have fees been posted? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ New system in place, admin working on it.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
Chair Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● COSC (October 2024)  <a href="https://cbe.ab.ca/get-involved/school-councils/Documents/20241023-COSC-Presentation.pdf">https://cbe.ab.ca/get-involved/school-councils/Documents/20241023-COSC-Presentation.pdf</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ What DTS Parents can do: Advocate for more funding (it disadvantages metro boards) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Contact Cassandra about advocacy ideas.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>● ASCA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Ongoing conversations about the effect of LGBTQ2 legislation that was passed recently.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
Close of meeting:		Move to adjourn: Jeff Second: Patrick Time: 6:49
Next meeting	January 15th, 2025 – Virtual	

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