

Probe Parent Council Minutes

April 2, 2025 Meeting in-person @ Probe School - 6:30 PM

1. Call to Order: 6:30

2. Land Acknowledgement – shared by Sara Bond

3. Welcome and Introductions - moment of silence observed for a community loss.

In attendance: Bryson Duda, Sara Bond, Katie Learn, Crystal Packard, Denise Cunningham, Lynda Wilkinson, Jay Merkle.

4. Approval of Agenda: Bryson/Sara CARRIED

5. Approval of Minutes from March 5, 2025 Bryson/Sara CARRIED

6. Chairperson Report – Bryson Duda

a. Permission to let names be submitted in minutes? All in agreement.

7. Administrative Report – Lynda Wilkinson:

- Registration open K-5.
- Shea Mellow will be joining as Vice Principal this fall - will attend the next parent council meeting.
- Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Kitagawa leave till after spring break.
- Mrs Brooks. on leave.
- Staffing information to be shared as available.
- March madness book final four this week - really fun, kids excited.
- ECAP last Friday. Good energy, numeracy focused activities for each grade level.
- Air band kick off assembly - April 17 time TBD.
- Corey Medd - Two Guys fundraiser. Suggested dates May 14-18 or 21-25. Online code can be set up. 10% of proceeds donated back to Probe.

8. Superintendent / Trustee Reports - N/A

9. Teacher Reports

Mrs. Packard - most exciting times of the year, really growing in independence. Lots of fun with robotics and coding with the new science curriculum. Jokes and made animated videos for grade one. Field trips to FLVT to see Willy Wonka and swimming/Destination Exploration at U of L, corn maze. Run club started this week, organized by Mrs. Mackinnon.

Ms. Cunningham - nice class sizes this year. Big field trip to Telus Spark Centre upcoming, new experience for a lot of kids, maybe a fun swimming activity. Plan for some walks, picnics, trout release coming up in June. Mini Putt next week, kids will go through when it's their gym class. Great tools in Maker Space to build the golf course. Connect to some of the learning from this year. Building tipis in social studies. Science new curriculum, lots underway with electricity. Green Shirt Day assembly this Friday. Bernie and Toby will be back to speak. Chris' family speaking about firsthand experience 8:45 parents welcome. Exploratory time.

Mr. Merkle -Grade 1&2 split class. [UFLI](#) literacy activities - kids seeing lots of success. Lots of growth since the beginning of the year. Chick eggs incubator set up last week, did some candling with the kids, 7 that are continuing to develop. Adding page to story each week depending on chick development . Novel study, very interactive and lots of fun. Collab

coverage, centres approach, looking forward to walking and other fun outdoor activities.
Destination Exploration full day field trip. Lego build, create their own construction manual.

10. Division Council Report - April Gedlaman
Haven't met yet for the month of April.

11. Old Business

a. ASCA

i. AGM (April 27, 2025) - virtual only this year. Bryson to send an email out to see if anyone wants attend.

b. Cpl. Heather Bangle

i. March 27 presentation - ask at May meeting if anyone attended/feedback.

ii. School/student presentation - Cpl. Bangle possibly available for in-school presentations - will discuss in May, contact April to see if there is a cost.

12. New Business

a. Probe Parent Council webpage

i. Add email address? Discussion took place on the advantages and disadvantages of adding our email address to the school website. The feeling is that this may not be the best way to engage parents, prefer for them to take part in a meeting and share their thoughts in person. Anyone who really needs to contact us could also reach out to the school and we could get in touch.

13. Next Meeting

a. May 7, 2025

14. Adjournment: 7:06 PM