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| **MEETING PARTICIPANTS**  |
| ✓ | Cara Rich (Chair) | ✓ | Dave Taylor (Town Councillor rep) | ✓ | Amit Mali (Principal) |
| ✓ | Michelle Taylor (Secretary) | ✓ | Colleen Holowaychuk (Trustee) | ✓ | Candice Lyles |
| ✓ | Lisa Thrower (Foundation Treasurer) | ✓ | Jessica Moen | ✓ | Tracy Doerkson |
|  |  | ✓ | Tracy Childs (parent) | ✓ | Brendt Sonnenberg |

| **AGENDA ITEM** | **DISCUSSION** | **ACTION / DECISION** |
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| 1. **Call meeting to order**
 | 5: 31 via Zoom |  |
| 1. **Welcome & Introductions**
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| 1. **Review and adoption of agenda**
 | * Agenda accepted as presented.
 | Accepted |
| 1. **Review of meeting minutes**
 | * Minutes accepted as presented.
 | Accepted |
| 1. **Trustee’s Report**
 | * Technology fee: The Division is contemplating implementing a technology fee to support the increasing need to acquire, install and maintain up-to-date technology resources and services to enhance student learning experiences in the classroom. A potential technology fee would be charged for each student except for those that are attending a school in which "Bring Your Own Device "(BYOD) is a current requirement. The fee would be an amount far less than that required for parents to purchase individual devices for their children. The fee would be used to offset the costs associated with purchasing student devices, updating classroom computer labs or smart classroom technology, student printing, and network related services including internet demands across the Division.
* Our local ATA President Deneen Zielke invited board to attend a presentation by Shelley Moore. It was great. Topic was The Infrastructure of Inclusive Education. I really liked this analogy she used as it a good way to think when we dealing with students: *If you aim for the kids that are hardest to hit, you’ll hit the most. Like bowling, if you aim for the pins that are hardest to hit, you hit the most pins, rather than hitting for the centre you will knock over or hit less.*
* Board approved the three year capital plan. Ranking the capital needs of the school division: Sherwood Heights in Sherwood Park is number 1; and Fort Saskatchewan Junior Senior High number 2. We did not receive approval for either of these priorities.
* Feb/March: Board approved covering the registration for the ASCA conference for up to 15 people.
* (1 per school Council) April 23-25, 2021. Registration is open, please apply ASAP if you would like to attend. It is all virtual this year. Registration closes Friday April 16, 2021. Please contact our district office for information regarding being sponsored by the board.
* Budget 2021. A letter was sent out to parents from our superintendent. It’s not a bad news budget, thankfully. Finance is looking at the numbers, but we won’t have our funding profiles until the end of March. Board has booked several budget working days in our calendar. More information regarding the budget will come as we work through it.
* EIPS quarterly newsletter to people who are business, mayor and councilors.
* Next COSC meeting April 7, 2021.
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| 1. **Principal’s Report**
 | * Amit’s Move: Sherwood Heights for next school year.
* 1/4s vs Semesters: semester system planned for next school year.
* Kitchen reno update: ongoing reno to meet safety code requirements
* Grad: ongoing planning. Plan to follow AHS guidelines regarding gatherings.
* Money to support struggling families: there is a need to support some families with basic needs: food and clothing. Currently accessing community supports such as the local Food Bank.
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| 1. **Town Council Report**
 | * Outdoor skating surface at Hillside Park was a success, planning to have this available for the 2021-22 winter season.
* Town of Lamont is hiring summer labourer and other positions, application open until April 1, [lamont.ca/Employment](http://lamont.ca/Employment?fbclid=IwAR14kv2_zgmmoqCuKeE-023f86wB0iGnBOus5n6IYWBpuBN5lugVfsOkCQQ)
* Council approved a survey to residents and stakeholders regarding direction and input on community policing and bylaw program.
* Council entered an agreement with Fort Air Partnership to host a temporary air monitoring station at the compound behind the arena. There are educational opportunities available for the school in terms of environmental education and technology.
* Virtual Public Open House March 25 - April 15 for the Highway 15 Planning Study for the twinning of Hwy 15 from Hwy 830 to Hwy 29, and widening from Lamont to Hwy. 834. This may affect some intersections and accesses to meet current Alberta Transportation requirements.
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| 1. **Old Business**
 | * None.
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| 1. **New Business**
 | * School fees: fee schedule provided to share with Council.
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| 1. **Questions**
 | * None
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| 1. **Next Meeting**
 | * May 17th at 5:30
 | All |
| 1. **Adjourn Meeting**
 | * 6:11 PM
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| *Thank you for attending the Lamont High School Parent Advisory Meeting* |