

School Parent Council Meeting Minutes

Date: November 5, 2024

Time: 6:08 PM to 7:05 PM

IN ATTENDANCE

Suzanne Martin - Principal

Mrs. Quiring - Grade 3 / 4 Teacher

Bre Kaglar – Chair School Council/Fundraising

Todd Brand – School Trustee (via ZOOM)

Colleen Button – School Council Member

Sarah Brownlee – School Council Member

Kristen Reid – Treasurer School Council/Fundraising

Nicole Miller – Co-Chair School Council

Alyssa Wonnick – Secretary School Council

AGENDA

18:00-20:00/Mrs. Quiring's Grade 3/4 Classroom

- 1.) Call to Order 18:08-18:10
- 2.) Approved October meeting minutes
- 3.) Council Mission
- 4.) PBIS Update 18:10-18:12
 - a. So far it's been super successful!
 - b. Going to gather ideas from classrooms on what they would like to do next
 - c. Recess Matrix - used colour and also represents the diversity of students
- 5.) Trustee Report - Todd Brand 18:13-18:25
 - a. School calendar approval - 2025/26 approval; posted and on RVS website
 - b. Sept. 30 - 29,243 students (closing in on 30,000; increase 641 students); slower growth okay
 - c. Board Ward Boundaries for trustees; merge ward 4 & 2 (Landon, Indus, Chestermere); added a trustee to the Cochrane area for a total of 2; Airdrie has 3 trustees; keeping total number of trustees as 8
 - d. 25% of population coming from rural areas; 75% from more urban areas (6 out of 8 trustees)
 - e. New superintendent - Greg Luterbach has announced his retirement effective August 31, 2025; trustees hire/fire superintendents; staff/parents will

be given opportunities for input; collaborating on this process within trustee team

- f. New provincial funding announced in summer; majority going directly to schools, with small portion to specific RVS programs
- g. Provinces will increase the amount of modular units; ramping up partnership to get portables build and ready to be put in place; hoping for growth of modular units for RVS
- h. Size of Airdrie - could it become its own school division? Possibly, yes; however, it is not within trustees' jurisdiction to make this decision; the next board could address and bring this to the government (but it may not be likely due to increased costs); could be advantages and would also have drawbacks/cautions - mix of rural and urban schools; Airdrie is underrepresented for trustees
- i. Portables approved for NCES - Competitively placed in next up position for the spring

6.) Principal Update – Suzanne Martin

18:26-18:49

- a. Budget released yesterday, will be discussing with staff first and then will provide us with an update at the December meeting
- b. SEP (School Education Plan) - reframing narrative of real time reporting. My blueprint will be used in K-12.
- c. 3 goals: creating inclusiveness. engaging, healthy learning opportunities for all students, children need to teach us what barriers they are experiencing and we have to teach them ways to manage and then reinforce that.
- d. Already on track to beat goal for minimizing classroom referrals
- e. Suzanne has changed the layout of the Beacon and reduced some of the information to a “Quick Links” section in hopes to get more parents to read it, Suzanne will monitor the stats and see. A suggestion was to work with the tech team on getting a “how to use powerschool video” up in the Beacon.

7.) Council Updates

18:49-19:05

- a. Teacher Highlight to Council
 - i. 3/4 combined classroom
 - ii. no assigned seating or hooks

- iii. students grab their bins and pick a seat (variety of different options offered)
 - iv. Loki!
- b. Bre attended the joint council meeting where RVS chairs and principals came together. There were 2 speakers. One of the goals of RVS going forward is to have students avoid a gap year. Trying to get kids to decide what career path they would like to take starting in middle school. This may look like offering learning lunches, more specifically driven field trips.
- c. Patrols - Huge concern regarding the safety of the kids during patrolling as well as afternoon patrols have had to be cancelled quite a bit due to Mrs Harper's assistance being needed elsewhere. Some suggestions:
 - i. Parents volunteers on either side of the street
 - ii. recognize parents when they are doing safe practices with a note and a mint
 - iii. students to make a video about how to be safe, kind, respectful from PBIS team
- d. Must table everything else for next meeting

Adjournment

19:05

Next Meeting: December 3, 2024 @ 6:00 PM, Location TBD.

October Minutes approved. Sarah first, Kristen second.

Fundraising Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: November 5, 2024

Time: 7:05 PM to 8:06 PM

IN ATTENDANCE

Suzanne Martin - Principal

Kim Orlesky – School Council Member

Bre Kaglar – Chair School Council/Fundraising

Sarah Brownlee – Co-Chair Fundraising

Kristen Reid – Treasurer School Council/Fundraising

Colleen Button – School Council Member

Nicole Miller – Co-Chair School Council

Alyssa Wonnick – Secretary School Council

AGENDA

19:05-20:06/ Mrs. Quiring's 3 /4 Classroom

- 1.) Call to Order 5 minutes
 - a. Approved October meeting minutes
 - b. Bank Statement & Cheques for Apple Creek and apples given to Kristen and an envelope for casino was given to Nicole
- 2.) Annual General Meeting Nominations/Voting for 5 minutes
Secretary and Casino Advisor
 - a. Alyssa nominated to be secretary, Sarah second, Kristen final
 - b. Nicole nominated to be casino advisor, Kristen second, Sarah final
- 3.) Treasurer Update 5 minutes
 - a. so far so good on the sales for Big Box of Cards, sold \$1,610 in sales with \$506 raised.
 - b. Chromebooks will clear out casino account
 - c. Suzanne confirmed that chromebooks were ordered

- 4.) Book Fair Results - Suzanne 5 minutes
- a. School Fair Sales - Did well, \$3,988.79 for books
- 5.) Society New/Follow Up 10 minutes
- a. Coop donated \$100 Calgary Coop GC to be used at School Council/Society Meetings - will decide down the road what to use this for
 - b. Candance Schnider Librarian has offered donations for upcoming read-a-thon in December
 - i. acknowledge top fundraisers (2 per grade)
 - ii. assembly showcasing winners
- 6.) Fundraisers for 2024/2025 15 minutes
- a. Some feedback about the apples is that the quality and consistency of them this year were not great, i.e., bruising on a lot of them, rotten in the middle. Felt like there was a lack of quality control prior to past years. Maybe we do it next year and if it is not great again, we skip it in the following years. Staff had huge compliments about them!
 - b. Reviewed survey results with top results being: apple fundraiser, purdy's, big box of cards, coffee, and gift cards
 - c. Big Box of Cards - thinking 1 or 2 day pick up options with longer hours, pre-organize into 4 piles (type)
 - d. Bre brought in example of coupon book, \$15 a book and many options (Cobs, Firehouse Subs, Sobeys, Gate of India, just to name a few) It is simple and less hands one, maybe an option for next year
 - e. Kristen will bring Roughnecks or Hitman schedule in for December meeting
 - f. Sarah is going to bring Rosso coffee options to next meeting, however, an alternative was presented by Nicole for Spirit Bear Coffee
 - g. Sarah will also reach out to Westjet contacts and CC Bre
 - h. Fundraising Plan to go out in Beacon in August, finalize at June meeting

7.) Healthy Hunger

10 minutes

- a. Students help distribute however the office staff take on most of the work for this and it is becoming challenging. We need more consistent parental volunteers to make this happen. May need to cut back the number of times it is offered in a month or the options will be limited

8.) Society to donate \$100 to the community

5 minutes

- a. Donations from students to the fundraiser that was chosen. Suzanne has agreed to pie in the face or tape to the wall
- b. Grade 4 students to investigate a few options in the community that are in need

9.) Adjournment

20:06

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