# **Ronald Harvey School**

# **School Council Meeting - Via GOOGLE MEETS**

## **Minutes**

### September 20, 2021 at 7:00 pm

- 1. Call Meeting to Order at 7:05 pm:
- 2. Introductions as this is the first meeting of the new school year!
  - a. Sue Anderson Principal
  - b. Kelly Hauptman Assistant Principal
  - c. All members of the parent community joined into the call introduced themselves
- 3. Elections: Mrs. Anderson announced the nominations and voting process of the School Council and Development Society's elected positions of this year's School Council. Sue reviewed the role of the School Council and Development Society and the roles held by the elected members.
  - Past Chair Louise made recommended nominations for the 2021/2022 School Council elected positions and other members of the group were encouraged to nominate their peers:
  - b. Nomination for Chair Meghan Rennick
    - i. Accepted by Meghan
  - c. No other nominations were made
  - d. Motion to elect Meghan Rennick as Chair made by Katie O'Reilly
    - i. Seconded by Erin Nawrot
  - e. Nomination for Vice Chair Melanie Ignace
    - i. Accepted by Melanie
  - f. No other nominations were made
  - g. Motion to elect Melanie Ignace as Vice Chair made by Meghan Rennick
    - i. Seconded by Natasha Hutchinson
  - h. Nomination for Treasurer Leigh Ploof
    - i. Accepted by Leigh
  - i. No other nominations were made
  - j. Motion to elect Leigh Ploof as Treasurer made by Melanie Ignace
    - i. Seconded by Christine Thompson
  - k. Nomination for Secretary Erin Nawrot
    - i. Accepted by Erin
  - I. No other nominations were made
  - m. Motion to elect Erin Nawrot as Secretary made by Natasha Hutchinson
    - i. Seconded by Leigh Ploof
  - n. Nominations for Directors
    - i. Director 1 Natasha Hutchinson
    - ii. Director 2 Kelly McEachern
    - iii. Director 3 Dawn Hardy
    - iv. Director 4 Katie O'Reilly
    - v. Director 5 Lana Nicoll

#### Congratulations to the newly elected Ronald Harvey School Council!

- 4. Approval of Agenda / Addition of New business:
  - a. New Business to be added to Agenda, if any:
    - i. Motion to approve Agenda: Melanie
    - ii. Seconded: Erin
- 5. Approval of Minutes of May 17, 2021 Minutes (Regular Meeting)
  - a. Motion to approve Minutes from May 17, 2021 regular meeting: Melanie
  - b. Seconded: Natasha
- 6. Reports:
  - a. Principal Report (Susan Anderson)
    - i. Great start to the school year
    - ii. Meet the staff night was well attended (~70% attendance)
    - iii. Welcome back week theme, which will carry throughout the year The Good Egg (Great book)
    - iv. COVID
      - 1. Opened up cohorts by grade
        - a. Students in the same grade can now play together in the playground
      - 2. New restrictions by the GOA do not affect school restrictions as St. Albert Public schools already had tight restrictions
      - 3. 10% Threshold has been met with students absent from school will illness (questionable illness/ respiratory illness)
        - a. AHS has been informed, we are awaiting further information
      - 4. If there is a positive case in a class, the cohort is informed but the class is no longer being sent home.
    - v. Movie Night was great and we would like to see it again
    - vi. Annual Terry Fox run is happening on Friday.
      - 1. Bring a Toonie
    - vii. Enrollment
      - 1. 405 students
      - 2. 60 Kindergarten students (30 AM, 30 Full day)
      - 3. Kinder AM class sizes 26, 24, 24, 16
    - viii. Benchmarking is being done through grades 1-3. Results will be forwarded to the board to apply for literacy funding provided by the Government
    - ix. School sports are on hold for now. Were planning on starting October 1 however cohorts would have to blend. Awaiting government direction
  - b. School Board Trustee Report
    - i. Trustees do not attend the first meeting. The election is upcoming. 8 trustees are not running. Trustee Edwards is retiring.
    - ii. Encourage everyone to look into the individuals running and exercise the right to vote on October 18, 2021. Those running in the election for trustee positions include:
      - SHEYANNE LEVALL-CROUSE
      - 2. JOHN P. CARLE
      - 3. KIM ARMSTRONG
      - 4. JOHN ALLEN
      - 5. KRISTI ROUSE

- 6. MATTHEW JAROD TAIT
- 7. MARCUS HOOPLE
- 8. STANLEY HAROUN
- c. Assistant School Principal Report (Kelly Hauptman)
  - i. Welcome
- d. Parent Council Chair Report (Meghan Rennick)
  - i. We would like to list volunteers of the school council as point of contact for the following:
    - 1. Update/ Monitoring of Facebook Page Meg and Erin
    - 2. Monitoring of email address Katie O'Reilly
    - 3. Signage Louise
    - 4. Electronics Records Storage Kelly McEachern
    - 5. Garden and garden shed Christine
      - a. To meet with Miss Clarke

#### 7. Newsletter

- a. Meg has found a free template to use for the newsletter this year
- b. Was being done on a monthly basis
- c. Discussion lead to the conclusion we should try the new template and ask for feedback by the end of the school year
- 8. Need motion to approve meeting dates
  - a. Meeting Dates for 2021/2022 School Year will be the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday each month except December and June:
    - b. October 18th
    - c. November 15th
    - d. December No Meeting
    - e. January 17th
    - f. February 21st
    - g. March 21st
    - h. April 18th
    - i. May 16th
    - j. June No Meeting
  - b. Motion to Approved: Katie
  - c. Second: Erin
- 9. New Business, if any:
  - a. Sue mentioned a government grant of \$500 available to assist School Council Groups
    - i. Louise volunteered to look into this and provide more information next meeting
  - b. Meg brought up the City of St. Albert Environment Initiatives Grant Application (up to \$5000). Sue pointed out this was the funding used for the initial phase of the garden.
    - i. Meg to look into whether or not we are eligible for funding and report back next meeting
  - c. Past Chair Louise encourages the council to assign a designate to engage and recognize the opportunity for the council to engage with these 2 councils:
    - i. ASCA Designate Alberta School Councils Association
      - 1. Meet monthly
      - 2. Annual Conference
    - ii. COSC Designate Council of School Councils of St. Albert Public Schools
      - 1. Meet 3-4 times a year
  - d. Will nominate/Vote next meeting for this/ these designates

- i. Lana Nicoll expressed interest (Nominate for designate)
- 10. Motion made to Adjourn: Natasha,
  - a. Seconded: Katie