

Ronald Harvey School

School Council Meeting

Minutes

November 21, 2022 at 7:00 pm

1. Call Meeting to Order at 7:04 pm by Meg Rennick
2. Approval of the October 17, 2022 School Council Meeting Minutes:
 - a. Motion to Approve: Jackie
 - b. Seconded by: Erin
 - i. **APPROVED/ NOT APPROVED**
3. Additions to today's School Council Meeting Agenda:
 - a. nil
4. Approval of the November 21, 2022 School Council Meeting Agenda:
 - a. Motion to Approve: Camela
 - b. Seconded by: Jackie
 - i. **APPROVED/ NOT APPROVED**
5. Reports:
 - a. School Board Trustee Report - Sheyanne Levall-Crouse ([Board Agendas/Minutes](#))
 - i. The board received as information a report on COVID-19 and air handling.
 - ii. The board received as information a report on student enrolment as of September 30, 2022.
 - iii. The board provided direction to circulate the draft Board Policy B-150, Appeals and the accompanying regulations. (Disciplinary Appeals)
 - iv. The board provided direction to circulate the draft Board Policy F-150, Appeals and the accompanying regulations. (Disciplinary Appeals)
 - v. The board approved the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees held September 21, 2022.
 - vi. The board received as information the status report for policies/regulations/procedures currently in development.
 - vii. The board approved the transfer of \$11,888 from the division office amortization reserve to the division office capital
 - viii. reserve. The amount is to be reflected in the year ended August 31, 2022 financial statements.
 - ix. The board received as information a report on the Division Facilities 2022 Summer Projects.
 - x. The board approved the change of wording to the fee for the Bellerose Adventure Program 2022-2023.
 - xi. The board approved Lorne Akins Junior High School soccer fees for the 2022-2023 school year.
 - xii. The board approved Sir Alexander Mackenzie Elementary School Academic Challenge fee for the 2022-2023 school year.

- xiii. The board approved Hillgrove School Band Trip fee for the 2022-2023 school year.
 - xiv. Tours last week at Paul Kane. New school is amazing.
 - xv. Wisdom and guidance group where members from the indigenous community and teacher work together on the implementation of truth and reconciliation and perform indigenous activities. Meeting invite is open to all ~90 minutes.
- b. Principal Report - Susan Anderson
- i. Willa started in Division 1, is a cancer survivor who started at the school in early November.
 - ii. Educational sessions have been given to her class, would we like to open the sessions up to other classes in primary 1
 - iii. 2023/24St. Albert Public School Board calendar should be out by Christmas.
 - iv. Mental Health Literacy being introduced into Wellness classes currently being offered at Ronald Harvey. Andrew Baxter developed but will be taught internally as a pilot. If it is successful it may be added to the school courses next year.
 - v. Dare to care. Anti-bullying week was last week and the program was rolled out last week. The staff can use the program as well.
 - vi. The trustees were on a walk through the school last week.
 - vii. Truth and Reconciliation committees - Leadership Quality Standard and Teacher Quality Standard met and looking forward
 - viii. PTI Last week. Amazing to have the parents to be in the school
 - ix. Thank you for the haunted garden
 - x. Volleyball for grade 5 and 6 is ongoing and going well
 - xi. Grade 4's ran the remembrance day ceremony. It was held in the classrooms rather than in an assembly format.
 - xii. Staff PD Day - Sessions were held off site regarding the learning and working on the new curriculum. One of the main points made that is important to Ronald Harvey is the continuation of reading. Every teacher will be working on this in their classes, regardless of the subject
 - xiii. Book Fair is going on this week
 - xiv. Christmas concerts are on Dec 14 and 15.
- c. Assistant School Principal Report -Kelly Hauptman
- i. Truth and Reconciliation Committee - First session last week. It was focused on the "Live the values outside of the moment". Trying to integrate into daily efforts. Talking about land acknowledgement and how we build that into our school community. It was a great first session.
 - ii. Christmas Concert is going to be really exciting.
 - iii. Facebook group asked about clubs.
 - o Asking all staff to be involved in a club this year. There are a few clubs that have started, more to come. Teachers running the clubs based on interests.
- d. School Council President's Report - Meghan Rennick
- i. Bylaws update.
 - o Sent

- ii. Playground discussion:
 - o Last meeting we asked everyone to brainstorm percentage to be saved on fundraisers profits and bring ideas back to the council
 - a. Idea that all proceeds from AGLC account go towards playground.
- iii. We are on the list for a Casino this year. It will be soon.
 - o If we do not have enough volunteers we can utilize “Casino Angels” to help with volunteers
- e. Council of School Councils Update - Meghan Rennick
 - i. Upcoming meeting on November 30.
- f. Alberta School Council Association - Erin Nawrot
 - i. Online silent auction link posted on the facebook group.
 - o The core of all ASCA efforts is the support of effective school council practices that demonstrate how parent engagement enhances school improvement strategies and, ultimately, student success. Quality education with equitable access is fundamental to helping students thrive. In addition, their success is paramount to having inclusive, prosperous communities. The meaningful engagement of parents throughout the student’s journey reinforces their achievements. As legislated advisory bodies through which parents can influence the school community, school councils reinforce the work of education partners, and encourage students to grow into their authentic selves.
 - o In 2021, due to a shift in priorities, ASCA’s provincial government funding was removed, leaving a gap that needs to be filled to continue delivering quality education and resources for school councils and the greater education community. ASCA must raise \$700,000 to support the parent voice in education through school councils across Alberta.
 - o In order to close the funding gap, we organized the online Silent Auction fundraiser for November 19 to 25, 2022.
 - ii. [Available Workshops](#) (1.5 - 2 hours):

WE HAVE A \$1000 GRANT TO USE
 We would gather as a group and stream it on a single device. Space is limited and they recommend registering early.

- o School Council Purpose
- o The Work of School Council: It’s NOT about the meeting
- o Effective Engagement in Your School Community
- o Fundraising Association Partnership Purpose
- o Managing School Council Meetings
- o Chair Basics: *Not Just for Chairs*
- o Creating School Council Plans
- o The School Council-Trustee Relationship
- o The Assurance Framework
- o School Council Operating Procedures
- o Masterful Minutes
- o School Council Policies and Practices

- Tools for Effective School Councils
 - Building Positive Partnerships
 - iii. Passed around the workshop calendar and attendees chose top 2 to register in.
 - Erin will arrange workshops
- 6. Newsletter:
 - a. Will go out Next Week.
- 7. Website:
 - a. Have requested for all approved minutes to be added to the website.
 - i. Should be updated by the end of the week.
- 8. Email/ Google Drive:
 - a. Being used more and more by the parent groups.
- 9. Action Log Updates:
 - a. nil
- 10. New Business, if any:
 - a. nil
- 11. Meeting Adjourned at 7:48 pm
 - a. Motion made to Adjourn: Jackie
 - b. Seconded: Camela

NEXT MEETING January 16, 2023 at 7:00 in the School Library