

Ronald Harvey School

School Council Meeting Minutes

Ronald Harvey School Library

November 20, 2023, 7:00pm

1. Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm by Erin N
2. In attendance: Sue Anderson (principal), Amanda Ansah, John Allen (trustee), Jackie Bennett, Kylie Dryer, Anita Edwardson, Kelly Hauptman (vice-principal), Kelsey Hunden, Ryan Hunder, Erin Nawrot, and David Walker.
3. David motions approval of October 16, 2023 School Council meeting minutes. Seconded by Amanda. All in favour.
4. No additions to the agenda.
5. Erin N motions approval of agenda as amended. Seconded by Jackie. All in favour.
6. Reports
 - a. School Council Executive: 3 year plan: Incorporate “All are Welcome” into year 1(this year). Erin attended the LGBTQ2+ safety discussion at W.D. Cuts.Attended ASCA School Engagement Opportunity on November 18, 2023: Speakers from Saskatchewan councils discussion “family-centric community” among school councils. ASCA is hosting a “Walk alongside Alberta” in 2024; more info to follow. Idea for engagement; multi-cultural pot-luck. Create a Family Engagement Committee to gather more information and actions. First COSC meeting is November 23, 2023 via zoom. **Inviting all members to a Holiday School Council Event, December 18th, 7:00pm @ Central Social Hall in the Trophy Room.**
 - b. Board Trustee John Allen: No board meeting in October.Approved disbursement of 4 more policies (encourages members to review and engage). 1 trustee attended the community event at Cuts. ABA suggested reviewing who is attending (Edmonton?). Public School Boards Association of Alberta had it’s AGM

and elections. Today and tomorrow is PSBAA conference. New minister of education visited and is a good speaker. Minister of education said to expect a major announcement at the end of the week. Premier Smith attended and answered questions. Q&A: Can we access information from meetings? On the website under “governance”; can find all policies up for review by the board.

- c. Administration report by Sue Anderson: October Parent-teacher interviews were well attended and went well. Remembrance Day Ceremony was created and presented by the grade 4 teachers and students; few interruptions and amazing work! Student numbers continue to increase, +2 this week (up to 492 students). According to Mr. Brenneis analytics, RH is 7 years ahead of projections. **Education plan: Set goals-good citizens, continue working on literacy and numeracy. No longer using the PAT results as a measure. How teachers, staff, admin and students are feeling. New curriculum implementations. With newer government policies, schools are no longer able to keep more than 1.5% surplus. Administration will present the school’s education plan to the board in January. They will create a video using students, staff and parent voices.** Christmas concert is coming up in December. With the new curriculum there’s a lot of PD opportunities available to teachers.
 - d. Teacher’s Report by Kylie Dryer: Attending a “James Day” PD learning Inuit games for physical education. Also attending a 4 part math PD presented by Peter _____. Teaching students to think math for themselves. From staff at the last staff meeting “Really appreciate the PTI evening dinner and the Halloween Garden”. Could we change the hot lunch day so all students can participate? Can we limit the amount of choices offered? Do we have to have Booster Juice at every hot lunch (yes, parents’ request)
7. Communications:
- a. Newsletter: sent via email today, hard copy tomorrow. The lovely Meg created the newsletter. Suggest to create a council blurb to highlight council happenings.

- b. Website: Council has one spot, possible to change. Will discuss at the end of the fundraising meeting.
 - c. Email/Google drive: SPS has given each chair of council their own 'spschools' email address. Sue and Kelly created a 'reply' that sends response to RH email and to SPS email.
 - d. Social Media (Facebook Parents Group): Going well. Erin has pre-planned posts to live until the new year.
- 8. No new business
 - 9. Meeting adjourned by Kelsey at 7:51 pm. Seconded by Kylie. All in favour.

Next meeting Monday, January 15, 2024