

## **BCSC Meeting Minutes for November 21, 2023**

### **Attendance:**

#### **School**

Jennifer Gervais (Principal)  
Joe Reina (Assistance Principal)  
Norma Lang (Trustee)  
Samantha O'Neill  
Mya  
Mikayla  
Louzee  
Ella

#### **Council**

Terri-Lynn Finck (Chair)  
Melanie Lichtenberger (Vice Chair)  
Andrea Krill (Secretary)

#### **Parents/Community Members**

Terri  
David  
Joanne

**Call to Order: 7:02pm**

### **Special Meeting of Council:**

**Present proposed Amendments**

**Motion to accept proposed Amendments to BCSC Bylaws:**

**Motion to accept motion as presented by Mel and Terri seconds.**

### **Modifications to Agenda**

**Review of minutes from last meeting: Sept and Oct 2023**

**Motion to accept minutes as presented by Terri, Mel seconds.**

**Student's Report: Louzee, Mikayla, Mya, and Ella**

Student Leadership Conference (CLSC) in St. Johns, NB Presentation

- Experiences and what they want to bring back to the school to implement.

**Teacher's Report: Samantha O'Neill**

Student Leadership Conference (CLSC) in St. Johns, NB Presentation

**Trustee Report: Norma Lang**

**October 19 Board Highlights** [https://www.rockyview.ab.ca/whats\\_new/the\\_brief\\_oct\\_19\\_2023](https://www.rockyview.ab.ca/whats_new/the_brief_oct_19_2023)

#### **Naming Committee to be Formed for New School in Langdon**

- The Board of Trustees approved the New School in Langdon Ad Hoc Naming Committee Terms of Reference bringing the school another exciting step forward as RVS prepares to open the facility to students in September 2024.
  - As required in Administrative Procedure 5402 – Naming of Facilities, the Ad Hoc Naming Committee once formed will consult with the community and provide two possible school names for consideration to the Board of Trustees' review, selection and approval.
  - Details on how to apply to join the committee will be publicized in the coming weeks. The committee will have until Feb. 1, 2024, to submit its recommendations for the Board's consideration.
  - RVS continues to encourage parents/guardians, staff and other stakeholders to provide feedback to inform the Board's decision on student accommodations in Langdon. Input can be shared online through RVSEngage until Nov. 13, 2023.
- Last week Langdon Consultation Round 2 – Oct 17 – 6:30 pm Langdon School

**Nov 2 Board Highlights -** [https://www.rockyview.ab.ca/whats\\_new/the\\_brief\\_nov\\_2\\_2023](https://www.rockyview.ab.ca/whats_new/the_brief_nov_2_2023)

#### **Board Celebrates Students Receiving 100 Per Cent on Grade 12 Diploma Exams**

- Twice a year, the Rocky View Schools (RVS) Board of Trustees (the Board) recognizes students who obtain a perfect mark of 100 per cent on a provincial diploma exam.

#### **RVS Requests 22 Additional Modular Classrooms to Help Manage Growth**

- To help mitigate the ongoing space crisis in RVS schools in the Board will submit a request to the provincial government for 22 additional modular classrooms, as well as the relocation of 12 classroom units and one washroom unit.

- There are 990 additional students in RVS schools this year. With no new schools across the division until 2026/2027 at the earliest, these additional modulars and modular relocations are critical to meeting students' space needs.
  - The units are requested for schools with expected utilization rates of more than 100 per cent, based on accommodation changes and projected enrolments.
  - In March 2023, RVS received 10 new modular classrooms and two classroom relocations; RVS' request was for 32 new units. In addition, five surplus modular units were awarded to RVS on Oct. 24 which the Province will pay to deliver and set up.
  - If approved, these modular units will help mitigate RVS' enrolment issues in the short term but will also increase the stress on core school buildings which will have more students than they were built for.
  - Typically, the Province announces decisions about modular requests in March of each year.
- Board Will Hold an Additional Meeting to Hear Balancing Airdrie Student Spaces Delegations
- About half of the 990 new RVS students were welcomed into an Airdrie school in September emphasizing the need to find a longer-term space for students solution in the city.

### **The Balancing Airdrie Student Spaces**

engagement will seek stakeholder feedback and insights to help inform the Board's decision. Details are available on RVSEngage and families and staff are encouraged to watch for more information to be made available soon.

- Given the size and scope of the ongoing Balancing Airdrie Student Spaces public engagement, it is expected the Board may receive significant interest for delegations on the topic. In support of the Board's commitment to hear from as many stakeholders as possible, an additional Board meeting dedicated to delegations presenting on this topic will be held Tuesday, March 12, 2024.

### **Board Welcomes School Councils to Joint Meeting – thank you Terri-Lynn, and Mel for attending. Admin team at Kathryn and Kathryn chair were also in attendance.**

- Each year, members of school councils from across RVS are invited to a joint meeting with the Board, providing an opportunity for learning and connection.
- The fall joint meeting was held Oct. 26 and included a presentation from staff about the Positive Behavioural Interventions and Supports (PBIS) framework used in RVS to create safe, positive, predictable and inclusive cultures.
- These important joint meetings are held twice each school year, next scheduled for March 14, 2024

### **Nov 16 – Annual Education Results Report Highlights RVS' Accomplishments, Initiatives and Stories**

- RVS' 2022/23 Annual Education Results Report (AERR) highlights accomplishments and initiatives designed to help students connect to passions, interests and people; achieve their potential; and navigate successfully as global citizens throughout their learning with RVS, the performance measures laid out in the 2019-23 Four-Year Plan.
  - o The majority of students in grades 1-4 demonstrated growth in literacy and numeracy skills as measured by the LeNS, CC3 and Alberta Numeracy Screening Assessment.
  - o Our students feel they can get the help they need in school; however, they also indicated they could use support in developing conflict resolution skills.
  - o Overall diploma exam results are at the provincial average while our high school completion rates are better than the provincial average.
  - o The AERR reports back on the progress of specific actions taken the year before and identifies new actions to be taken in 2023/24. We are pleased to report that all six of the items identified for 2022/23 were completed.
- The 2022/23 AERR is available on [rockyview.ab.ca](http://rockyview.ab.ca)

### **Board Ratifies Agreement with ATA Local**

- After multiple bargaining sessions on collective agreement matters that are determined to be managed between RVS and ATA Local #35, the Board ratified the mediator's report and previously agreed to items.
- The Board awaits information from ATA Local #35 to determine if they will agree to the mediator's report and previously agreed to items.

### **RVS' Rapid Growth Prompts Ward Boundary Review**

- Given the consistently high population growth in many of the communities within RVS, the Board determined a review of the current ward boundaries should be completed.
- RVS' ward boundaries were last reviewed in 2016.
- Board Policy 29 – Ward Structures outlines how and when a ward boundary review can be undertaken. An important factor is ensuring RVS' communities are served adhering to a representation by population model where each trustee represents a similar number of residents.
- The review will include consultation with all communities within the RVS. Added information regarding this community engagement will be provided when available. The review will be done by Dec'24.

Edmonton ASBA Nov 19-21 highlights – Minister of Ed, Premier, MLAS Pitt and DeJong

### **Principal/Assistant Principal Report:**

#### **Highlights:**

#### **Volleyball Season**

- Senior Girls and Boys finished their season on a positive note
- Junior A Boys and Girls- Gold for boys, Bronze for girls

- Junior B teams are currently playing their season, we are hosting the girls on Friday

#### **Student Council Activities**

- Halloween Costume Parade and Coloring contest
- Dress as you are going to your favorite concert.
- Fly on the Wall
  
- Remembrance Day Ceremony
- Home Reading
- Rocks and Rings
- Bucket Fillers
  - Recognizing students doing good
- Lunch clubs-Councillor and CDA
  - Craft club
  - Gaming club

#### **What to look forward to:**

- 3-Way Conferences
- Basketball Season
- Wrestling maybe??
- Christmas concert-Start at 6:30 and Santa will not make an appearance, rather he will be at the school at another date
- Giving Tree
- Student Council- 12 Days of Christmas

#### **Updates**

##### **Professional Development Day**

- Inclusive Education Guide-What, Why and How
- PBIS- Donut Activity- What Behaviors do you not want to see at BCS.
- Wellness activity. You are amazing.
- Committee Work-Linked to our School Education Plan- Each committee will make a plan for moving the initiative forward based on our SEP goals.
  - Literacy Committee
  - Numeracy Committee
  - PBIS Committee
  - Indigenous Education Committee

#### **Chairperson's Report:**

- **Old Business:**
  
- **New Business:**
  - Treasury Report: Opening and Closing Balance: \$1546.44 (unchanged)
  - Joint School Board Meeting
    - PBIS Presentation
    - ASCE Discussion
  - ASCE: Volunteer to create Google form for parents - what do parents want?
    - Review Suggestion list
      - Additional suggestions: Paint Night (minus the Wine and Food)
        - A day in the life of a BCS student (Jennifer)

**Casino Date - April 20-21/2024**

#### **Question & Answer:**

**Next Meeting: January 23, 2024 @ 7pm via Zoom**

**Adjournment: 8:33 pm**