

# Cooper's Crossing School Council

## **Meeting Minutes**

May 11, 2022

Meeting started at- 7:04 pm

#### Present:

Meeting Attendance	
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## 1) Welcome – Diana Logan & Kiran Dhaliwal

## 2) Principal's Report – Diana Logan

-First in person assembly was held. This was the first in person assembly for some students.

Other students did not remember what in person assemblies were like. It was very successful.

- -Used a new hand gesture of making a heart
- -Year book cover winners were revealed.

#### 2) Principal's Report continued – Diana Logan

- Grade 5 transition meetings upcoming at the beginning of June.
- -Northcott Prairie school parent orientation June 8, 2022. More information is coming.
- -2 new trees will be planted to remember grade 5 students that are moving to their next school.
- -Kindergarten orientation is scheduled for Tuesday May 17, 2022. Meet the teacher.
- -RVS education survey with grade 3-5 also participated. Survey is open until Sunday May 15, 2022. Information gathered from this survey helps to create the workbook for the next school year.
- -CCS Workbook is in the process of being edited. It will be available on CCS website once completed.
- -Class placement process has been changed. Meeting planned for next week with grade teams to work on class lists for next year. If enrollment numbers change over the summer, the class lists will be revisited to accommodate.
- -Staggered entry of students for the fall. Half of the students will attend their first day Sept 1, 2022. Other half of students will attend their first day on Sept. 2, 2022. After the long weekend, all students will attend school together.
- -Family orientation set for August 31, 2022. One hour overview of what CCS if=s generally about. New students and families met face to face. Should help new students to feel more comfortable on their first day at school.
- -June 2022 Indigenous Days planned. There will be a Metis presenter (all day program).

  Another planned day will have an Indigenous Drummer (all day). Blackfoot dance group is booked. There will also be artifacts on display with descriptions. Bannock will also be offered.
- -Ninja obstacle course has been booked for this June
- -Artist in residence idea for next fall. Interactive. Tentative plan for October 2022. Needs to be booked soon.
- -Lastly the Safe Arrival System is live and is working well. Streamlined mornings for office staff.

#### 3) Trustee Report – Melyssa Bowen

- -Thank you for drawing attention to the RVS survey. Especially to the three questions at the end of the survey.
- -2023-2026 Capital Plan Needs for rapidly growing areas within Rockyview. Identified areas include Airdrie, Cochrane, and Chestermere. Capital plan is available to view through RVS website. One top priority area can be planned for per year. K-8 school in Airdrie has been selected as the next priority.
- -Requested funds to move around modular units between school based on school population needs. Some schools are operating at over 100% capacity. RVS approved moving 10 modular units. This was also approved by Alberta government, but they have said RVS must cover all costs. Costs approved by RVS board. This will be funded through reserve funds. Schools function the best at 70% capacity.
- -Maureen McCann (Ranchview Cochrane) received Edwin Parr Award this year. The Award recognizes new teachers to the profession who show significant promise in their first year.
- -Changes approved to the 2022- 2023 school calendar year to recognize Truth and Reconciliation.
- -Funding profile received. 2022 2023 school year 241 million dollars vs. 236 million dollars last school year. Funding based on 50% projection of needs, 30% past school year needs, and 20% current school year needs.
- -Alberta government asking boards to decrease reserve funds to 3%.
- -New funding formula Bridge funding. Has grown to 13 million dollars. If no longer available, where would these funds come from?
- -Mandatory curriculum September 2023. RVS continues to express concerns for resources to implement this curriculum on the projected timeline.
- -Executives with the Alberta School Councils' Association, which supports more than 1,500 school councils and more than 50,000 volunteer parents, say their group has seen its funding go from \$650,000 in 2020 to nearly zero this spring.
- -According to ASCA, the UCP government provided the non-profit group up to \$650,000 in funding for the 2019-20 fiscal year. In 2020-21, their funding was significantly cut to \$170,000, resulting in several staff layoffs and reductions in project work.

#### Trustee Report - Melyssa Bowen continued

- -This year they have been told they will not receive even the previous year's reduced funding of \$170,000, and that they will only qualify for \$15,000 to conduct a parent survey on COVID learning loss.
- -Transportation fees are the same for 2022/23 school year. Incentive to register early has increased from \$25/student to \$40/student if registered by June 24.

#### 4)CCS Carnival – Kiran Dhaliwal

- -CCC Carnival June 17,2022. 4pm-8pm.
- -Tubbies has been booked. Dunk tank. Cotton Candy. Games provided.
- -Plan to sell hotdogs. Discussion with Gordon Foods and Save On Foods for donations.
- -If cookie dough left over from sales discussion to sell cookies at the carnival.
- -No BBQ allowed as per RVS.
- -Concession stand offering hotdogs, chips, and pop to cover carnival costs.
- -Considering crock pots.
- -Food trucks. Rocky roadz Ice cream food truck has said they will not charge to come to the carnival. Caffeinated Squirrel has also said they will not charge to attend carnival.
- Magazine Neighbours Along 8<sup>th</sup> Street will carry a full page ad for the carnival in the June edition.
- -Carnival is a council event. Insurance through RVS. \$10/hour.
- -Will need volunteers. Please advertise in school newsletter and create posters.
- -Allen the Alpaca. Local to Airdrie. Looking into booking him.
- -Looking at using the CCS parking lot for the carnival. The field behind the school is City of Airdrie property and CCS would have to pay a fee to use it.
- -Bathroom use for carnival attendees. Portable toilets or encourage attendees to go home to use their bathroom?

## 5) 2022/23 School Proposals – Kiran Dhaliwal & Diana Logan

- -Proposals are largely being submitted requesting field trips. Consider allocating \$1000 for each grade team for field trips? This would be appreciated as there would be no need for proposals and discussion of each individual proposal.
- -Tabled. To be discussed in Society meeting when planning budget. Society would still like to know what the funds are being used for.
- -Need to discuss what criteria needs to be met with field trips. An update should be provided following the field trip.
- -Funds could also be used for in house field trip like the Escape room that was booked this year.

## 6)Yearbook Update – Rachelle Prud'Homme

-Thank you to all students who submitted entries for the 2021-2022 Yearbook Cover. Nine winners will be featured on the back cover and one on the front cover. Congratulations to Hope Till in 1B for drawing our front cover design! Her design represents Character in Action showing kindness and helping others. Well done, everyone!