



School Council

**Minutes of the ÉEVE School Council Meeting
June 14, 2023
1:00pm In-Person and via Zoom**

SC Executive:

Caley Remington, Chair - present
Chelsey Conrad, Co-Chair - present
Judi Hunter, School Board Trustee - present
Jennifer Tanguay, Secretary - present
Sharelle Stitt, Treasurer - present
Logan Martin, Community Outreach Coordinator - present

School Administration Members:

Brendan Trinca, Principal - present
Alanna Berger, Assistant Principal - present

Attendees:

Denise Weaver, Kim Burchby, Meredith Cann, Robin Somji, Nick and Trina Vanaalst, Kirsten Inglis

1. Call to Order

Caley called the meeting to order at 1:00pm.

2. Approval of Agenda

Caley motioned to accept the minutes as circulated; seconded by Chelsey; no objections; motion carried.

3. Chair's Report

Great year, MusicFest was back and super successful. Goal for next year is preparedness. Cross-referencing RVS calendar to get dates in schedule for fall and work with administration so we are ready for the upcoming school year. (Robin: suggest we change Staff Appreciation Week to the week after Valentine's Day, as it is the most expensive time of year to buy flowers, also a busy week already making Valentine's. Caley - will discuss changing the week in September's meeting).

Core Executive has agreed to stay on SC next year. Those positions need to be ratified, new positions need to be voted in:

*Sharelle motioned that Chelsey to return as Co-Chair next year; seconded by Logan.
Caley motioned that Jennifer to return as Secretary next year; seconded by Chelsey.
Chelsey motioned that Sharelle to return as Treasurer next year; seconded by Kirsten.
Chelsey motioned that Caley to return as Chair next year; seconded by Sharelle.
Caley nominated Robin as Yearbook Coordinator; seconded by Chelsey.
Caley nominated Kim as Healthy Hunger Coordinator; seconded by Jennifer.
Caley nominated Kirsten as Volunteer Coordinator; seconded by Robin.*

All of the above motions had no objections; all were in favour; motions carried.

Community Outreach Coordinator TBD next year. We will set the calendar of events in September, coordinating with RVS calendar (ie. School Dance Thursday before Easter break, look at re-scheduling Staff Appreciation Week to the week after Valentine's Day).

Thank you to Mr. Trinca for your service to our school, for being supportive and welcoming, collaborative and connected. We wish you all the best and will miss you!

4. Principal's Report

Personable, supportive and engaged parent community. Leveraged it, parent/student/staff - no limit. Thank you all for your kind words, for everything. Alanna, best AP I've worked with, exceptional, brings everything - thank you.

Introduce Denise Weaver, new Principal. Highly knowledgeable educator, rises to any challenge, welcome to the EV community. Denise Weaver: Know Brendan, hard to fill his shoes, honoured to be here. Grade 2/3 background. 3 adult children: U of L, U of C, Pincher Creek.

Recap of the year: Wanted to get together, started off with BBQ. Trickster, Literacy Night (500 attended), MusicFest (1700 attended), Read-A-Thon raised \$30K. PBIS implemented.

Proactive and in a good spot for next year: PT music teacher hired, FÉEVES - technology, FI info night. Council signed off on workbook, report due by Sept 30 - what we did, accomplishments, money raised and put towards (template to use).

Alanna: Field Trips, kids well-behaved, many volunteers - thank you. Staggered entry for Kindergarten only next year, no open house before school starts, meet the teacher at Welcome Back BBQ - partner with SMS (they will do dessert).

Caley: Next Year - Plan is to continue to hold meetings 2nd Tuesday of the month, alternating 1/7pm. BBQ - we can easily get food sponsored rather than ÉEVE paying for

it. Can SC send form home w/calendar, permission for contacting parents? Brendan: Permission for this will be done digitally - School Engage. Physical calendar/Remind App TBD in September.

5. School Trustee Report

Brendan so appreciated by families in EV, his warmth and openness generated trust. He will be missed, wish you all the best and thank you for all your passion and work. Welcome to Denise. Congratulations to the new executive and thank you for volunteering. Highlights of Newsletter - New 4 year learning plan, 3 main components (link in newsletter for more info). Bearspaw Grade 2 teacher's project. Congratulations to all Grade 12 graduates, 3 of which scored 100% on Bio 30 exams. Beiseker teacher nominated for an award. Have a great summer everyone.

June 2023 School Newsletter Trustee Judi Hunter Ward 5

New Four-Year Learning Plan

The Board of Trustees approved the new Four-Year Learning Plan. The plan is focused on three main areas: Advancing numeracy and literacy; Building future-ready students; and creating inclusive, safe, and healthy learning opportunities for all students. Please visit www.rockyview.ab.ca to see the full details of the plan.

RVS Has Highest Family Engagement with myBlueprint Across Canada

myBlueprint is RVS 'student portfolio and education planner platform where students can select and showcase various artifacts to self-reflect upon their learning. These portfolios chronicle students 'stories and allow them to reflect on their learning journey. RVS has the highest family engagement in myBlueprint in Canada.

I had the privilege of attending a presentation by a Bearspaw teacher sharing her Grade 2 class fish project. Students were able to grow fish from eggs and watch to fish develop as they moved from eggs to alevin to fry to fish. Bow Habitat supplied the fish eggs. Students documented the growth stages of the fish, learning about fungi and ammonia production that affected the health of the fish. They also learned about temperature criteria that affected the fish. Ultimately students were able to release the fish into one of the approved water areas. They learned about licensing required to release the trout. Over 2 million trout are released into 240 lakes in Alberta each year. Webinars operated once a week by Habitat supported the student learning.

June is graduation month. Congratulations to all the students graduating from Springbank High School moving on the universities and post-secondary institutions across Canada. Congratulations as well to those choosing to take a gap year and explore the options available to them. Congratulations to Jordan Inverarity selected as the Valedictorian for this year's graduating class. Jordan is truly a trailblazer. She has been a student journalist for the Springbank Community Association, a team lead in the robotics program, winner of a research position with the Alberta Health and accepted into a program bioscience program at University of British Columbia on her path to becoming a neurologist.

Anyone who attended the Springbank Open House May 25, would recognize the opportunities for youth, not only in academics, but also the arts, robotics, and athletics.

Congratulations to Springbank High School students H.Gillcrist, L. Berry, and W. Kraus for achieving 100% on their biology 30 diploma exams and to their teacher, Mr. Matthews.

Our grade 8 students at Banded Peak, Bearspaw, Springbank Middle and Westbrooks school are also celebrating 9 years of schooling in their respective schools.

I would like to recognize the contributions of our dedicated School Council members who work tirelessly as volunteers to support our students, staff, and schools. Without the involvement of these dedicated parents, our students would not have the opportunities they do. Please take the time to share your appreciation of these amazing parents.

Rocky View Schools has created an Indigenous branch to support the work of the Truth and Reconciliation report, ensure staff have the knowledge and understanding to meet the new Teacher Quality Standards, Leadership Quality Standards and to reduce the gap in achievement for our Indigenous students.

Congratulations to Brandy Perry, a teacher at Beiseker School that was Rocky View Schools nominee for the Edwin Parr Award. She was also selected to represent Alberta School Boards -Zone 5 for the provincial award. The Edwin Parr award to presented to an outstanding first year teacher.

June 3-5, 61 public boards across Alberta will meeting to vote on educational position statements which will be presented to government. July 3-5, National School Boards conference will focus on indigenous education and perspectives as well as governance best practices.

6. FEEVES Report

No report.

7. Open Floor

Kirsten: Daughter really enjoyed the after-school French program. Judi: Would like to do more next year, deciding best way to move forward. Good participation at elementary, might do something different in middle school. Need these activities to build FI numbers. Caley: What are the FI enrolment number's? Brendan: Exceeding projections, 2 full Grade 1 classes (vs 1.5), K should be around 35 students (vs 30). Alanna: Grade 2 (2 classes), a couple may be joining, successful late introduction the past 3 years. No kids leaving FI this year. Teacher planning complete for next year. English Gr 1 has 1.5 classes, Gr 2 has 3.5 classes. Caley: Thank you to Mrs. Pryor for all you have done over the years. Robin: Is there a replacement for Shelley at the main office? Brendan: Secretary II position posted, hoping to hire in July. This was Rhonda's previous position (answering phones, PowerSchool). Rhonda started as Secretary III in the Spring (book keeping, School Cash Online). Thank you Rhonda for everything the past few months.

8. Future SC Meetings

TBD

9. Adjournment

Caley adjourned the meeting at 1:50pm.