

## RancheView School Council Meeting – March 19, 2024

1. Meeting was called to order at 7:07 by Candace.
2. Land Acknowledgement given by Lynette.
3. Welcome and Introductions

### Attendees:

Lynette Lapan-Smith, Principal  
Cody Kempster, Vice Principal  
Fiona Gilbert  
Chelsea E.  
Candace W.  
Krista T.  
Rochelle S.  
Jennifer B.  
Brittany D.  
Erin W.  
Annika P.  
Lesley J.

4. Approval of agenda; approved with an amendment by Krista and seconded by Rochelle.
  - Amendment: Section 5 approval of minutes was removed as minutes weren't posted.
5. Report from the Board of Trustees – Fiona G.
  - Government announced capital projects. RVS was awarded 3 full construction projects including one in Cochrane. This means the government is committed to pay for the build of the school here in Cochrane and they have a design agreement to start design in two other approved areas (Airdrie & Chestermere).
  - Approved school construction will be for a K-8 school in Rivercrest. Planned to be open September 2027.
  - RVS has purchased land for a new high school – North of Heritage. Town responsible for getting that site ready.
  - Expansion of Bow Valley High School is supposed to start in Spring 2024. Unsure still who the contractor will be for this build. Phases of the project still need to be determined.
  - The Board is currently working on developing divisional budget and needs to submit that to the government at the end of May. There will be more on that over the next while.
  - ASCA Conference at the end of April.
6. Executive Updates:

### Social Media/Communications Coordinator – Brittany D.


- Feedback on posts has been really positive.
- Acknowledged that controversial comments do not need to be address on social media and should be forwarded to her.

Volunteer Coordinator – Jennifer B.

- No updates.

Financial Coordinator – Chelsea E.

- Lynette provided an overview of the School Council Financial Report and Anticipated expenditures.



### RancheView School School Council Financial Report

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Balance Forward	1,000.00
Engagement Grant	500.00
carryover	16.77
Expense	1,373.19
<i>Subtotal</i>	<i>143.58</i>
Commitments	0.00
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>143.58</b>

#### 2023-2024 Commitments

	Commitment	Expenditure
Screenagers	500	514.59
DJ for Spring Dance		858.6
Gr 8 Farewell		
Staff Wellness		
Staff Year End Lunch		

Vice Chair – Candace W.

- Spring Fling:
  - Subcommittee meeting for the Spring Dance occurred. Plan to make tickets available on April 8<sup>th</sup> on School Cash Online. Will be testing this because there is a cap on the # of tickets you can purchase.
  - Best way to contribute is to let everyone know that it's happening and help to generate excitement.
  - Will need about 25 volunteers on the day of – set up, decorating, washroom monitoring, door monitoring, concession stands, etc.
  - Lynette will be including the event in her Round Up on Sunday so that teachers can have their students create posters. Digital Design class is also making posters.
- Krista will be sending out a draft of operating procedures to the council for review and it will be added as an agenda item to the next meeting.

## 7. Administration update – Lynette

- Thank you to:
  - SEP committees
  - Breakfast Club – Jennifer Preece for picking up Cobbs bread.
  - Basketball coaches – Becky Campbell, Blaire Conrad, Graham Selwood, Tannon Schmaltz, Lanny Lam
  - Lost & found – Rochelle Snively
  - Supervising Home Alone/Babysitting – Diamond MacDonald.
- Staffing:
  - Marlene Copithorne (grade 3) is off on leave.
    - Blaire Conrad has stepped in until March 28<sup>th</sup> and it is expected to have a new teach for April 8<sup>th</sup>. Posting is up internal & external.
- Read-a-thon
  - Made \$7,400 and will put this toward iPads. This is about half of what was raised in previous year. Discussed that this may have been due to economic climate and some confusion around submitting funds.
- Basketball
  - Jr. B Boys – won all games.
  - Grade 6 Boys & Girls – Game Friday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>

## 8. French as a Second Language – Parent Feedback

- Administration has the ability to add alternate programming (outside of core: ELA, Math, Music, PhysEd. And wellness, Music, Art, etc.).
- Grade 4 has FSL for 30 minutes once a week.
- Grade 6 has FSL for 50 minutes once a week.
- Grade 7/8 FSL is elective. Only about 5 or 6 students indicated they were interested in FSL. Would need 12 students to run this class.
- Bow Valley offers FSL in grade 9 – they take beginners and those who have had FSL it in middle school.
- Discussed if we should have FSL in the school: exposure to a second language is not a bad thing, but it doesn't need to be French (Cree, Spanish) but do we have the instructors and teachers to do that. What would we replace it with?
  - Could it be rotating classes, French for just a term/semester.
  - Cultural awareness rather than just learning just the language.
  - Like the idea of the benefit of the exposure – not that it's necessarily French – and doesn't necessarily need to be the full year.

## 9. School Fees Discussion

- Discussed adding Skiing to the fee schedule. Joelle will add this – will still need to be approved.
- Discussed that the school can help to fund for field trips for those families that cannot afford to send their children.
- Everyone to take home the fee schedule to review. Send any feedback or additions before May 28<sup>th</sup>.

10. New Business

- New engagement opportunities:
  - CTF courses to be added to next Agenda
  - Numeracy night: in discussion on whether or not to do this in May. Will be geared toward K-8. Administration will present to council in April.

11. Next meeting April 16, 2024.

12. Meeting adjourned at 8:32 PM.