

**RancheView School
School Council Meeting Minutes
March 16, 2021 6:30 to 8 p.m.
Via Zoom**

Present Jen H, Diane, Sharon, Stacey, Rochelle, Fiona

Regrets Tina, Cody

1. Call to Order: 6:35 p.m. - Jen H
2. Approval of Jan Minutes:
 - 1st – Jen
 - 2nd – Diane
3. Business arising from Jan meeting
 - none
4. Approval of March Agenda:
 - 1st – Jen
 - 2nd – Diane
5. Fundraising Update:

In the past months we approved transferring funds to the school to cover requests by each grade team for supplies including books, art supplies, and items to enrich math and science learning totalling over \$15,000, as well as funds for a half cart of Chromebooks.

We have a current fundraising campaign for Purdys Chocolates, orders are due end of the week for Easter delivery.

The regular ongoing fundraising continues through the Textile Bins at the school parking lot, Mabels Labels, and Skip The Depot.

You can have your beverage containers collected right at your home and donate the refunds to RancheView School Fundraising Society. SkipTheDepot picks up in Sunset on alternating Tuesdays. <https://app.skipthedepot.com/rvsfs>

For Mabels Labels, www.mabelslabels.ca click 'support a fundraiser' and then select RancheView in the dropdown list.

Our AGM will be on Zoom, May 6, 2021, 7-8pm, the link will be shared in the school highlights and www.facebook.com/RancheViewFundraising

6. Administration Update:

Please remember to read the weekly highlights to keep up on all the goings on in the school.

Staffing update: Kirsten Hiebert has returned. Stephanie Vincent welcomed a little baby boy on March 12th and we welcomed Maegahn Smith as her replacement.

We're already starting to look to next year and project an enrollment of around 645 students.

RancheView Rocks returns... virtually. Information about this will be in upcoming Highlights.

We've been highlighting a lot around diversity: Black History Month, allyship, LGBTQ+ and International women's Day. Our next focus will be on Indigenous Peoples.

Feedback on our goals in our School Workbook will be provided by School Council.

Questions for Sharon:

How are options provided for? This year, students stayed with homeroom teachers, and integrated learning. For the upcoming year, we likely won't know how it will progress until Aug.

What about Studio XP? There will be information provided beginning of April, and a parent info night towards end of April/May.

7. Trustee Update:

Budget 2021

The provincial budget was tabled in the legislature on Thursday February 25th. At first blush, it appears that funding for K-Gr 12 education remains the same as last year.

Minister of Education has stated that school boards will receive at least the same funding as last year, and that lower enrolments due to COVID will not negatively impact funding for school divisions this year. This is good news for RVS. More specific details will be forthcoming by the end of March.

Capital Announcements

Very disappointed to share the RVS did not receive any capital funds from government for new school projects. As you know, RVS' top priority was an expansion onto BVHS to add much needed student spaces. We have not yet heard about modulars for next year and hope to hear soon.

Joint Board School Council Meeting

Invitations and registration information went out on March 1 to school council chairs regarding the Joint Board School Council meeting on Thu Mar 25th at 6:30pm. Hope you can join us.

8. Committee Reports:

- Fun lunch Report: none

- Treasurer Report: none
- 9. New Business Matters –
 - none
- 10. Adjournment: 6:53 p.m. - Jen H

Next Meeting: Apr 20, 2021 6:30-8:00pm