

**Agenda for Manachaban School Council
September 27, 2021 - 6:30 via Zoom**

I. Call to order- Brittany Derricott Council President

https://www.qp.alberta.ca/documents/MinOrders/2019/Education/2019_028_Education.pdf

Meeting Called to order at 6.31pm

II. Minutes of last meeting - Sept 2021 - Motion to approve by Christine Bashow and second Heather Derksen

IV. Board Report- Fiona

Welcome to a new Board

Welcome and congratulations to recently elected trustees who have been selected to represent their community as a member of the Board of Trustees for the 2021-2025 term. The new Board will be sworn in at its first meeting on Oct. 28, at which point trustees will elect a Chair and Vice-Chair from among their ranks, as well as appoint members to various committee roles.

Draft K-6 Curriculum Parent Focus Groups

The Alberta government has announced that they will introduce a new Kindergarten to Grade 6 curriculum for all elementary schools across the province starting in the 2022/23 school year. Rocky View Schools (RVS) would like to hear from parents/guardians who have children in Kindergarten - Grade 6 these grades and then share that feedback with government prior to government finalizing the K-6 curriculum. This feedback will be collected through facilitated small group discussions held virtually on Zoom November 8 and 17 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Please call 403.945.4031 to register

Indigenous Advisory Committee

The Board recently approved the creation of an Indigenous Advisory committee to provide guidance and support to the Board and the Division as RVS works to create an environment where all students and staff are knowledgeable, understanding and respectful of the rich diversity of Indigenous cultures while honouring Indigenous history, cultures, languages and perspectives.

V. Teacher Report - Katt

SPORTS

- Grade 7 and 8 A Volleyball teams are wrapping things up shortly
- Grade 6 Volleyball team is starting to practice

- Grade 7 and 8 B volleyball will be getting started once A volleyball and 6s are done
- Cross-country meet - good times! Students did well and had fun!

EVENTS

- Walkathon was on Friday
 - Thank you to all of our sponsors
 - Thank you to all of the families who donated
 - Thank you to Student Council for packaging all the food individually
 - Thank you to M. Cyr for organizing the whole thing!
 - Raised a current total of \$3710.00 for Manachaban
- Halloween
 - Costume contest Friday - organized by Student Council, various categories
 - Library contest throughout the week - What do the *Harry Potter* books mean to you? Organized by our new librarian, students may enter in a way of their choice (ex - poem, essay, painting, sculpture, iMovie, etc.)
- Remembrance Day assembly
 - To take place on Wednesday, November 10th
 - Will be done digitally due to restrictions around gathering

STAFF

- New Educational Assistant / Learning Assistant
 - Jill Sobokan
 - Works largely with Grade 7s
- New Learning Commons Coordinator / Librarian
 - Maria Ana Zaldueno
 - Has booked almost all classes in for regular library time
- Very lucky to have them both!

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- October 8th
 - Focused on assessment, communication of student learning (ex - PowerSchool, MyBlueprint)
- November 12th
 - Self-directed day - allows staff members to work on areas of need within their own professional growth plans
- Work on assessment to continue throughout the year
 - Will be working with Jen Mensah from the Learning Specialist team one-on-one with teachers with a focus on outcomes-based assessment

VI. Admin Report - Brenda and Jen

- a. Update evacuation Fri
 - i. Smell of gas in building

- ii. evacuated the students and had fire dept and ATCO come to err on the side of caution
 - iii. it was related to the gas line to the new portables, all clear
- b. Change in notification for COVID
 - i. school is completing a case profile for staff/students who test positive
 - ii. If they were at school, work to compile one letter at the end of the day to show possible exposure during time of when contagious
- c. Inclement weather policy
 - i. email from Rockyview Schools came out, closure decisions are with the board/super intendant of schools
 - ii. Communication of school closures or cancellation of buses to come out via radio/TV/email
- d. Lunch Supervisors
 - i. Looking to hire 4-5 lunch supervisors ASAP
 - ii. to be at the school from 12.20-1.20 Monday - Friday
- e. Remembrance Day
 - i. Mrs Arsenault's class will be taking on recording the assembly ceremony to share with school in individual classes.
 - ii. This will be easier than zoom as prerecorded
 - iii. Home rooms are going to make wreaths to be displayed
- f. School Generated Funds
 - i. there are \$14,000 of school generated funds
 - ii. \$4-5,000 to do mats on gym walls
 - iii. \$3,000 to purchase T-shirts for grades 5&6
 - iv. hope to spend rest on chrome books - approved by council
- g. Web Page
 - i. Web page in the process of updating as it was current of this year's changes, be patient
- h. 4 year plan
 - i. The 4 year plan is in it's 3rd year and would like to tweek it to reflect more accurately now in plan and working to achieve goals, staff would like to discuss further at next council meeting:

Student Engagement

How Might We? - ensure that all students continuously develop skills in literacy and numeracy?

Inclusion

How Might We? - use appropriate universal and targeted strategies and supports to address students' diverse needs.

Instructional Design

How Might We? - apply foundational knowledge about First Nations, Metis and Inuit into our teaching and learning.

Making Learning Visible

How Might We? - engage students in reflecting and sharing their individual learning journey.

Question on sharing tech carts - clarified that grade 6 have 1 cart each to share, grade 5 share between classes, and grade 7&8 are to have their own, but sometimes forget

Question on travel restrictions - EB and Cochrane High have sent out emails about travel restrictions, what about Manachaben? - not vaccinated students need to quarantine if travel outside of the country

Nov 12 PD Day

VII. Other Business - None

Meeting Adjourned at 7.12pm

Attendance:

Joy Eaton
Jenn Doell
Francine Horton
Lisa Trout
Kari
Kiltie Wilkinson
Leah Pearce
Heather Derksen
Patrick Stevenson
Erin Munro Clark
Brittany Derricott
Jen Rennie
Christine Bashow
Candi Govender

Bonnie
Katt
Fiona
Brenda
Jenn

