



Cooper's Crossing School Council Minutes

November 15, 2023

Meeting started at 5:58 pm

Present:

Jennifer Cudmore	Diana Logan
Kiran Dhaliwal	Jonathan Klinger
Alicia Cubillos	Fred Burley
Kristen Beaudoin	Megan El Sogheir
Amanda Young	Jennifer Knox
Shauna Sargent	Danielle Villeneuve
Jamie Mackrory	Denzil Mackrory

1)Welcome – Kiran Dhaliwal

2)Principal's Report – Diana Logan

-Remembrance Day ceremony was held. Many families were able to attend. Members of the RCMP and a special guest speaker from the military were in attendance. Special thanks to Mr. Klinger and the committee for organizing this event.

-Student Vendor Christmas Market has 90 registered vendors! Christmas Market and Bake sale is December 1, 2023 from 5:30 – 7:30 pm in the gym.

-Grades 1-4 are working hard to prepare for the winter concert. Mrs. Logan has asked Helping Hands volunteers to assist in creating 8 tree costumes. Megan El Sogheir will look into this as well.

-Professional Development day is on Monday November 20, 2023. This will include extended work on English as a second language. Creating a scope and sequence for CCS My Blueprint digital portfolios. Next steps in Positive Behaviour Interventions and Support plan.

-Crazy hair day is November 24, 2023.

-Cup stacking happening in the gym this week. CCS is hoping to break some records.

3)Trustee Report – Fred Burley

-Highlights from the November 2, 2023 RVS Board meeting.

-Twice a year, the Rocky View Schools (RVS) Board of Trustees (the Board) recognizes students who obtain a perfect mark of 100 per cent on a provincial diploma exam.

-The Board congratulates these 4 students for their stellar achievements and wishes them great success in their future pathways.

-RVS Requests 22 Additional Modular Classrooms to Help Manage Growth

-To help mitigate the ongoing space crisis in RVS schools, the Board will submit a request to the provincial government for 22 additional modular classrooms, as well as the relocation of 12 classroom units and one washroom unit.

-There are 990 additional students in RVS schools this year. With no new schools across the division until 2026/2027 at the earliest, these additional modulars and modular relocations are critical to meeting students' space needs. RVS is currently underfunded by 700 students.

-The units are requested for schools with expected utilization rates of more than 100 per cent, based on accommodation changes and projected enrolments.

-Each year, members of school councils from across RVS are invited to a joint meeting with the Board, providing an opportunity for learning and connection.

-The fall joint meeting was held Oct. 26 and included a presentation from staff about the Positive Behavioural Interventions and Supports (PBIS) framework used in RVS to create safe, positive, predictable, and inclusive cultures.

-These important joint meetings are held twice each school year, with the next scheduled for March 14, 2024.

4)Balancing Student Space (RVS Engage) – Diana Logan

-This just opened today on RVS Engage. Potential solutions for the space crunch in Airdrie schools. Each possibility could have a range of impacts for schools across Airdrie including boundary changes/new designated schools. Families are encouraged to use this tool to help inform this decision.

-Online survey closes March 17, 2024. Decisions by RVS will follow after April 25, 2024.

-Some changes will impact students as early as September 2024. Most of the proposed changes will be made September 2025.

5)Breakfast Program – Diana Logan

-Currently we have an abundance of food thanks to the generosity of CCS families and local businesses. Sign ups to provide snacks have been filled into December. There is a volunteer every Friday that will come to CCS and lay out the snacks for students.

-Edith was welcomed back to the Servedy last Friday. She will come in to do some baking.

-Will be looking into sending out a Google form to keep the food donations going into the new year.

-Would like to see less sweets in the food donations. Foods like eggs and muffin mixes would be appreciated. Will get more suggestions from Mrs. McKinnon.

-CCS has also received very generous donations: \$6550.00 to help to fund this program.

6) Halloween Dance – Kiran Dhaliwal

-This was a successful community spirit event.

-School cash in: \$3142.00

Total Costs: **APPROXIMATES** – further data to come from Kiran

\$500.00 for food

\$563.00 for pizza orders

\$500.00 paid to DJ

-The goal for the dance was to bring the CCS community together for a night of fun. We were aware that this event was not going to make a lot of money.

-Tables that were set up were a great spot for families to eat and rest.

-The incentive provided to volunteers was great. They received 2 free dance tickets as a thank you for their time. This was successful in recruitment of volunteer help.

-Could we find a space to check coats next year?

-Next dance we could use some supervising volunteers for inside the gym. There was some rough housing.

-Occupational Health and Safety – The committee running the dance needs all members to be aware of the location of the CCS AED and First aid kits. Perhaps an open house annually for CCS volunteers to learn where to access this equipment.

7) ASCE Grant \$500.00 (Screenagers) – Jonathan Klinger

-Must buy the licence to show this movie. It is \$700.00. This leaves us \$200.00 short of what the grant will cover.

-There was a great turn out for this movie when it was used by other schools.

-Planning this event for March or April 2024. Parent night out. Perhaps we could link this movie with a Kernals fundraiser?

-Jonathan Klinger will get more information on when CCS needs to obtain the licence to show this movie.

-Table this until January 2024 Council meeting.

8) STEM Innovation Academy – Jamie and Denzil Mackrory

-Instructors at STEM Innovation Academy in Calgary. Their children attend CCS.

-Would like to see more STEM and specifically robotics at CCS.

-The program works through buying robotics kits. Students program and code the robots to complete challenges.

-Kits cost \$500.00 each. Classroom kits would ideally have 2-3 students per kit. Competition kits can accommodate 3-9 students and can be used in a club setting. These kits are not reuseable as this would require robots to be dismantled.

-CCS has 15 classes currently. This would require 45 kits x \$500.00.

-Denzil Mackrory would do a Professional Development day with CCS staff to teach them how to use the kits.

-Administration to discuss this further and speak to staff.

-Bringing in students from the STEM Innovation Academy to demonstrate would be great.

9)Outstanding or additional motions – Kiran Dhaliwal

Motion: Alicia Cubillos motions for a budget of \$1200.00 for the Christmas Market December 1, 2023.

Seconded by Kiran Dhaliwal.

Motion voted on. All in favour. Motion passed.

Motion: Alicia Cubillos motions for up to \$180.00 reimbursement for Christmas tree ornament creation. This would be \$10.00 per classroom.

Seconded by Megan El Sogheir.

Motion voted on. All in favour. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:02 pm.

Next meeting January 17, 2024 at 6:00 pm.