



Coopers Crossing School Council Minutes

May 15, 2024

Present:

Jennifer Cudmore

Fred Burley

Diana Logan

Dean Boucher

Jonathan Klinger

Meghan El Sogheir

Kiran Dhaliwal

Shauna Sargent

Kara McCrae

Amanda Baldwin

Alicia Cubillos

Danielle Vienneau

Jennifer Knox

Alisha Smith

James Smith

1) Welcome – Kiran Dhaliwal

2) Principal's Report – Diana Logan

-Email address for the school has been changed with the redesign of the school website. New email address for CCS is coopers@rockyview.ab.ca Email will be redirected from the old CCS email address for one year.

-NED show in support of mental health was a success. Yoyo sales totalled \$3300.00 to support the NED program. CCS has created a yoyo zone on the tarmac of the school grounds.

-Jump rope for heart took place on May 15, 2024. Lots of skipping and a tug of war contest.

-Tims Smile Cookie campaign sold 612 cookies at CCS. This will benefit the Airdrie Health Foundation.

-Jonathan and Diana presented the School Education Plan to the associated superintendent at RVS. This was received well.

-Volunteer appreciation tea is set for June 6, 2024. 9:30-11:30. There is a rsvp google form that is attached to the invitation. There are planned music performances from the CCS students.

-Grade 5 expo will take place June 20, 2024 from 6:00–7:30. This will be a celebration of learning.

-PL day May 17, 2024. Focus will be literacy and instructional design. Will explore guided reading strategies.

-CCS is working on staffing for next year. Waiting on internal transfer requests. Following this, all available jobs will be posted on the RVS website.

-Class list creation will happen at the end of May for next September. Parent request letters must be submitted to Jonathan Klinger by May 24, 2024.

3)Trustee Report – Fred Burley

-The Board adjusted grade configurations and attendance areas effective the fall of 2025 as per Option D as presented. The Board requested adjustments to the modulars approved on March 14, 2024, to be consistent with Option D.

-Balancing Student Spaces. The RVS board did the best that it could with balancing student numbers at all schools. If RVS would have had new schools that were requested, they would not have had to proceed with all the changes.

-There will be no changes until the fall of 2025. All high schools in Airdrie will be grade 10 -12.

-There will be no boundary changes for the Christian or French schools.

-Families may apply to RVS for out of zone change. They can request that their grade 6 student go to Muriel Clayton school instead of Northcott for grade 6. Families can also request a zone change for the 2025/2026 school year to remain at Northcott Prairie School. There may be some consideration to grandfather children at the school they are attending if it is their last year. For example, students presently attending NCP who will be in grade 9 for the 2025/2026 school year may request to stay vs. switching for only one year.

-Airdrie was approved for 6 portables by the province. Portables are very costly to relocate.

-Ward boundary review. Airdrie has 45% of RVS students. Consultant suggests looking at decreasing the number of RVS trustees from 8 to 7. Another option the consultant suggested was to add a ninth trustee. Split Cochrane. This needs to be decided by October 2024.

-16 students across RVS achieved 100% on their diploma exams! 5 of these students achieved 100% on 2 exams.

-Budget development must be submitted to the province by the end of May.

4)Vote on Motions for CCS Council – Kiran Dhaliwal

-The motions were sent out to members to review on May 13, 2024. CCS Council will now vote on the following motions:

i) Budget Allocation for Events:

Alicia Cubillos motioned the following:

The CCS Council shall allocate specific budgets go forward for Council events, with \$3000.00/event dedicated to school specific events and \$5000.00/event for events that are open to the community. These budget allocations will carry forward unless revised or amended via approval of the Council. Additionally, dual oversight from Council will be required by members for budget spending or invoices over \$400.00.

Seconded by Meghan El Sogheir

Motion voted on. All in favour. Motion passed.

ii) Handling of Revenues and Expenses Between CCS Council and Society:

Alicia Cubillos motioned the following:

Incremental revenues generated specifically through Society's fundraising efforts at Council hosted events will be recognized as 'Fundraised dollars' and managed by Society. The Society's budget for events will account for expenditures related to these fundraising activities. This motion establishes the framework for financial cooperation between the Council and Society, ensuring transparency and accountability in managing event-related finances.

Seconded by Meghan El Sogheir

Motion voted on. All in favour. Motion passed.

iii) Accountability of Finances

Alicia Cubillos motions the following:

For cash handling at joint Council/Society events, two separate floats will be maintained: one for the Council and one for Society. Each float will be counted by two respective counters from the organizing parties. A standardized document provided by the school's office will be used to record these counts and said counters will be required to execute the document. Upon deposit, the Depositor will count the funds a third time. Discrepancies under \$5.00 will be resolved in favour of the Depositor's count, while variances exceeding \$5.00 will prompt an inquiry by the respective organization's directors/members.

Seconded by Amanda Baldwin.

Motion voted on. All in favour. Motion passed.

iv) Event Leftovers

Alicia Cubillos motions the following:

Non-perishable event leftovers with a long shelf life shall be retained at the school for use in subsequent events. This includes food and trinket items. Perishable event

leftovers that are close to their best before date and unlikely to be utilized before the next event may be donated to the students for consumption. Leftovers shall be distributed to the students by administrative staff based on necessity or incentives. Immediately perishable items will be equitably distributed among volunteers or donated to a community organization when reasonable. All decisions regarding the distribution or donation of leftovers will prioritize the benefit to students first and then the school community.

Seconded by Meghan El Sogheir.

Motion voted on. All in favour. Motion passed.

v) Volunteer Recognition

Alicia Cubillos motions the following:

Individuals actively volunteering for an event are entitled to free entry to that event. Additionally, an individual who has actively volunteered towards that event or during that event for a period of one hour or more shall be entitled to one meal during the event. In the circumstance that an individual has contributed more than four hours to a single event, that individual shall be entitled to a secondary meal. This policy is designed to ensure volunteers are recognized for their commitment and contribution based on merit.

Seconded by Meghan El Sogheir.

Motion voted on. All in favour. Motion passed.

**please refer to April 2024 CCS Council minutes for RVS clarification of transferring funds between Council and Society. **

5) Update on CCS Playground Equipment – Jonathan Klinger

-Brad from RVS grounds came back to CCS. The bad news is that CCS can not put in the We go round inclusive play structure due to the large amount of excavation that would be required. Would need 25 feet of clearance which would require excavation of the hillside and retaining wall creation. The price for this work would be very high. Looking at other sites at CCS also did not work. The West end of the playground has a drainage system in place which should not be interfered with.

-Plan is to resurface the current playground with continuous rubber surface to make this area inclusive for students of all abilities.

-Jonathan Klinger looked at chimes and kettle drum instead. General feedback from Council and Society members was that the chimes and kettle drums are not ideal. We would like to try to get activity equipment like a swing or merry go round.

-Jonathan Klinger volunteered to look at other companies to see if they had other equipment options that required less clearance.

-Kiran Dhaliwal suggested that a subcommittee for the playground project would be beneficial. This would help with grant proposals, budget, etc. Meghan El Sogheir will continue to take the lead on this subcommittee. Jennifer Cudmore volunteered to join this subcommittee. The subcommittee will work with Diana Logan and Jonathan Klinger on this project.

7) Carnival – Meghan El Sogheir

-Will send out a motion once the price of lawn stake signs is known. This will aide in advertising the Carnival to the Coopers community.

-Discussion about whether CCS Council/Society members want to offer food at the Carnival. Hotdog, pop, and chips combo cost is \$2.02 currently if purchased at Costco. We sell this combo for \$5.00. If we only use food trucks, they get all the profit. Currently we have signed on the Fry Guy and an ice cream truck. Food trucks also want to be paid by the event to guarantee their profit.

-Time for Carnival will be 5:30 – 7:30.

-One game has been added this year. Hockey target game.

-Plan for members that have been organizing the Carnival to meet June 5, 2024.

-Diana will send out a Sign-Up Genius for Carnival volunteers next week or before the end of May.

-Meghan El Sogheir will develop a spreadsheet for dual approval for the prizes. \$5,000 budget.

-Many members of Council and Society are away during the Carnival. Are there enough people to help? A call for carnival volunteers was put into the newsletter and online last week to seek more volunteers. Volunteers may contact cooperscrossingcarnival@gmail.com if they are interested. Based on the responses received Council will decide if hosting a carnival this school year is feasible.

Meeting adjourned at 7:08 pm

Next meeting September 11, 2024. This will be the AGM.

