

CES School Council  
Wednesday, October 6, 2021 @ 6:30pm

Time: Oct 6, 2021 06:30 PM

Join Zoom Meeting  
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**RVS Land Acknowledgement**

Rocky View Schools would like to acknowledge the land and recognize all the Indigenous Peoples whose footprints have marked these lands from time immemorial. Together, we can learn and honour the ways of knowing of Indigenous Peoples for all future generations.

**Minutes from Jun 2, 2021 meeting -**

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/171jvT7ic0hRrxGhx0yYNdPs7f11Yw2LeaBjv2BCDp50/edit?usp=sharing>

**Attendance: Nicole Vandenberghe, Dave & Tracey Oldale, Colin MacDonald, Lisa Metcalfe, Liz Grace, Norma Lang, Lani McLeod, Cindy Edmundson, Kristy Thiessen, Janice Graham, Katie Harris, Krista White**

**Call to order:**

Chair: Cindy Edmundson  
Secretary: Tracey Oldale

**Review and approval of previous minutes.**

Motion to accept by: Nicole Vandenberghe  
Seconded by: Liz Grace  
Vote: Carried

**Review and approval of agenda.**

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Vote: Carried

**Reports:**

- Chair: Cindy Edmundson
- Welcome and round table introductions
  - Meeting Dates for the year are: Nov. 3 - Student Led Conferences - Can we change this to Tuesday, November 2 or Wednesday - November 10th? Moving to Nov 10th Liz Grace motioned & Nicole Vandenberghe seconded, passed

- Nov 10, Dec. 1, Jan. 5, Feb. 2, March 2, April 6, May 4, June 1

Vice Chair: Nicole Vandenberghe

- Casino- CES Nov 27 & 28 need 11 more volunteers

Secretary: Tracey Oldale

- Nothing to report

Volunteer Coordinators: Katie Harris, Lani McLeod, Chrissy Berard

- Hot Lunch's- can they start? Not now. Breakfast program is already running, next step is starting with milk program before hot lunches
- Whoo's Crew Casino - November 27 and 28

Principal: Colin MacDonald

1. We have had an excellent start up! All kids are settled and content.
2. School Council Role within the school. School council (created under the School Act) represents the parents of the school community and provides an opportunity to provide input in various school initiatives. Sharing of information and input into school events and activities is an important role of council members.
3. Fundraising- Whoo's Crew is a parent fundraising society and operates as an independent organization, under the authority of the society's act. The School Council is governed under the School Act and is in direct consultation with the school. The School Council *can* do fundraising, but does not typically take on fundraising other than the annual Mathathon. Whoo's Crew takes on the majority of fundraising. They are looking at recruiting more people and are open to ideas.
4. Christmas Concert and movie nights - TBD due to COVID impacts
5. Staffing update:
  - a. Opened an afternoon Kindergarten class with Mrs. Chicilo making x3 kinder classes
6. Demographics:
  - a. Kindergarten - 58
  - b. Grade 1 - 46
  - c. Grade 2 - 44
  - d. Grade 3 - 57
  - e. Grade 4 - 50
  - f. Grade 5 - 48

**Total: 303**
7. Furniture for main hallway, Maker Space
8. Mural in gym hallway
9. COVID Information
  - a. Updated daily health check & household contacts
  - b. Oct 15 changes re mask exemptions- Dr note required

10. RVS Playbook - our priorities
  - a. To look at the RVS 4YP and build PL around our personal context at CES. A key area of focus will be Inclusion and Literacy.
11. Three Way Conferences - November 3 and 4th.
  - a. They are planned to be in person
  - b. Book Fair booked- what it looks like is TBD due to COVID

Assistant Principal: Lisa Metcalfe

1. Terry Fox Run was held on Monday, September 20th
  - a. Toonies for Terry – collected \$692.71
2. Breakfast program is up and running. Starts at 8:20-8:40
  - a. The kids meet Mrs. Shoemaker outside at the front of the school
  - b. We received a President's Choice Children's Charity grant for \$1080.00 and a second grant for \$5400.86 from Food For Thought seed funding to fund our breakfast program.
  - c. Krista White (Andy has a contact) and Nicole Vandenberghe (contact Carmen @ Big Way) will look into her connection re fruit & veg for snack attack
3. Friday, October 8th - PL day with a focus on Inclusion and Literacy
4. Halloween
  - a. Students will be allowed to dress up - no food from home
  - b. We will do a virtual parade and send it out to families like we did last year
5. Remembrance Day - virtual and details are TBD
6. Happy Thanksgiving!

Trustee: Norma Lang

1. World teacher day was yesterday- thank you RVS staff!!
2. Enrollment- CES population 303, last year 277 (CES/WGM 83% utilization)
3. list of capital maintenance & renewal projects submitted list to RVS, George Mac \$3mill
4. Board advocating & writing letter to minister of Ed for diploma exams to be made optional again this year
5. 2 new RVS schools- the online schools 800 students between both schools
6. Norma trustee elected again for next 4 years!
7. COVID outbreaks- 9 schools since return to school
8. Letter received from Minister of Ed & Minister of Health- Encouraging proof of vacc for ALL adults in school (cannot refuse a students education based on vaccination status)
9. While contact tracing program gets up and running again (as announced provincially yesterday) it falls on Admin again!

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1HW7-QFo8FYJdotPnUcyzDWciNohe3l9g/edit?usp=sharing&oid=117005176404774715273&rtpof=true&sd=true>

**Old Business:** (Items from last meeting):

- Council Meetings on zoom, in person or combo? Combo! Staying at new time of 6:30? Yes

**New Business:**

- Letter back from minister of Ed- 6 months after submitting- very dismissive letter
- 2nd letter was submitted
- Liz & Chelsea Devauld created a program "Support Cards" that kids make cards that will be displayed at hospitals [supportcards.ca](http://supportcards.ca)

**Question Period:**

nothing

**Adjournment:**

Moved by: Nicole Vandenberghe

Seconded by: Liz Grace

Vote: Carried

**Adjourn at:**

Next meeting: November 10 @ 6:30 pm in the Learning Commons at CES or on zoom

Meeting Dates for the balance of the year: Nov 10, Dec 1, Jan 5, Feb 2, Mar 2, Apr 6, May 4 and Jun 1.