## Agenda – Sarah Thompson School Council

Date: January 16, 2023 – 8:35 AM

Sarah Thompson School

In Attendance: Carrie McMillan, Shelley Kinley, Chris Sidorenko, Jared Mok, Ryan Siemens, Sheena Noppen, Betty Peddle, Kendra Tickell, Chantelle Everett, Lori Selanders, Erin McCabe, Jen Olsen

	Items	Motioned by 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup>
1.	Call meeting to order at 8:35am	
2.	Introductions and 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."
3.	Approval of previous meeting minutes	Chantelle, Jared 2 <sup>nd</sup>
		1) Welcome back to the second half of the 2022/2023 school year!
		2) The Board approved the 2022-2026 Strategic Plan December 15th. The Identified Priorities are:
		· Improving our Students' Learning
		· Strengthening our Workforce
		· Bolstering our Infrastructure
		· Connecting with our Community
	Trustee Update – Shelley Kinley	Thank you to all who participated and whose feedback shaped the plan. A copy of the Strategic plan can be found at rockyview.ab.ca
4.		3) RVS' submitted their 2021/2022 Alberta Education Results Report to Alberta Education.

Highlights of the report:
<ul> <li>Challenges continued related to COVID 19 but our commitment to advancing literacy &amp; numeracy stayed strong. Many schools were able to add additional funds for support for their youngest students</li> </ul>
$\cdot$ Additional Board funding for students and staff provided more access to added mental health supports
$\cdot$ Provincial exams were re-established in the spring but held less value than previous exams
• RVS' conducted their own Education Plan Survey and had almost 15000 responses which was an increase of 45% participation from the last survey I would encourage every parent to go in to view the 2021/2022 AERR on rockyview.ab.ca .
4) Board Policy 1 was updated to ensure alliance with our 2022-2026 Strategic plan.
5) An update by the Superintendent of Schools, Greg Luterbach regarding this years progress on the 4 Year Plan was provided to the Board on Jan 12th. It is reviewed, updated and reported on annually.
• Thinking Classrooms, a concept that encourages student thinking, hands-on work and collaboration is improving engagement in many RVS classrooms. Teachers in 34 RVS schools are involved in this work with plans to grow this practice including professional learning from the Thinking Classrooms creator Peter Liljedahl in the Spring.
• My Blueprint continues across the district. Technology for Learning has distributed 975 Chromebooks, 100 Teacher Macbooks and 50 projectors, and enable 75 new WIFI access points across the division.
<ul> <li>Assessment continues to be an important focus with ALL schools implementing the new RVS Assessment Schedule. This includes Ministry mandated and division</li> </ul>

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		essments. Professional learning and guidance will continue to be provided to ninistrators and
		ching staff. Starting in February, the RVS Instruction and Assessment Practice Guide be implemented and RVS Writing Assessment should be piloted this Spring
	sup num revi	arning Teams have been working closely with schools across the division to port academic and social emotional success of all students. Areas of focus – neracy and literacy assessment and overall design as well as conducting deeper ews with schools to design effective and responsive in-school learning supports for dents
	guic	e newly formed Indigenous Learning Branch has been providing resources and dance across the division to support schools in their commitment to advancing th and Reconciliation in their classrooms
	all R	IS (Positive Behaviour and Intervention Supports) is on track to be implemented in RVS schools by the end of the year. PBIS coaches work with schools and divisional ms to offer guidance, implementation strategies and assessing behavioural support ns.
	curr are	'S continues to support administrators and teachers in implementing new riculum as it is phased in to various grades and subjects. RVS teachers in 18 schools piloting the new Science curriculum at the Grade 6 level or Grade 4-6 English guage Arts and Literature
	time	oard Policy 8 has been updated in order to formalize the current process, set a ely start to all Committee and for each committee to do an annual review of the ms of Reference to stay current.
	7) E	xemplary Practice: We have had three presentations to share since we last met:
		orge MacDougall High School – Fuel for Kids – students in Math class prepare Ithy food for GMHS and Ecole Airdrie Middle School. The food is accessed by 150

		students per day. Students come in early to prepare, budget and calculate how much food to make.
		• Beiseker Community School students entertain with food. Done as an event planning unit in Foods 20/30 the student planned and prepared different events along with members of their school community. Invitations, budgets, menus, activities and themed food were all a part of te event. Teachers, community members and other students were invited.
		• Chestermere High School presented as an exemplary practice with their Hairstyling Apprenticeship program. Teacher Melody was very proud of her students and those who have gone on to receive their Red Seal Certification. Being in the program, helped reduce tuition fees. We also got to see the new Barbering Course being offered in the school. It offers a great taste of what it means to be a barber and demonstrates how to look after trimming, shaving, etc. Congratulations Melody and CHS supportive administration.
		Discussed inclement weather and busses not running in December. Shelley is collecting feedback, the board will be discussing policy.
		<ul> <li>Grant money from Alberta Education – will be put towards a social media presentation on February 7<sup>th</sup> for Grade 4 &amp; 5 students. Parent presentation that evening at Sarah Thompson from 6-8pm</li> <li>Jump rope for heart begins February 13<sup>th</sup></li> </ul>
	Admin update:	-Kindergarten registration begins January 23 <sup>rd</sup>
	-Social Media Awareness Evening	-School dance – the school is supportive of this, if interested in planning, please see
	Presentation (February 7 <sup>th</sup> )	Ryan and Chris
	-School dance?	-FOSTES has helped fund the fish tank in the gathering area, fish arriving later today. The fish hatchery will be bringing rainbow trout to be later released
	-Swimming lessons	-Elder Saa'kokoto Has attended the school twice this school year to speak to students
5.	-Pink shirt day	-Swimming lessons – working with Renfrew school. Looking for week of March 16 <sup>th</sup> More information to come

		-Battle of the books has begun
		-Pink shirt day February 16 <sup>th</sup>
6.	Chair Update – Carrie McMillan	Hot Lunch – options for dietary restrictions added
7.	Treasurer Update	Council is on track to have projected revenue meet expenditures, with some additional dollars not allocated.
	Old Business	Erin called Rocky View County to discuss traffic flow problems and possible signage
8.	-Parking lot update	changes. County is to call the school.
9.	Society Update	Casino is moving forward
		Chantelle and Stacey to discuss dance with Ryan
		Vulnerable sector check and criminal record checks can be done at the Langdon
10.	New Business	detachment
11.	Adjournment at 9:40am	
	Next Meeting	February 27, 2023 at 8:35am