Agenda – Sarah Thompson School Council **AGM**

Date: May 8, 2023

Sarah Thompson School

In Attendance: Jared Featherstone, Dawn Mok, Carrie McMillan, Chris Sidorenko, Ryan Siemens, Nadine Washburn, Chantelle Everett, Stacy Everett, Betty Peddle, Brenda de la Mare, Shelly Kinley, Karanjit Kaur, Chelsea Burnett, Jennifer Olsen, Sheena Noppen

1.	Call Meeting to Order at	8:39am
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	Approved Jared, 2 nd Nadine
	Approval of Agenda	Approved Chantelle, 2 nd Jared
		1) Public Consultation regarding the new Junior Senior High School in Langdon – was held May 2nd in the Langdon School gym. There were about 100 people at the Public Information session. Be sure to go to https://www.rvsengage.com/ to provide feedback and suggestions for the grade configurations of the junior senior high school. These comments will help inform decisions by the Board of Trustees for the 2024/2025 opening of the new school.
		2) Presentations were made to the RVS Board of Trustees from four stakeholder groups regarding Powell Street School Accommodation March 23, 2023. The Cochrane Christian Academy will move into their school in September of 2023. A new French Immersion middle school program will move into Mitford as well.
4.	Trustee Update – Shelley Kinley	3) The Board has approved the 2024-2027 Capital Plan. Seven projects are requested for Construction Approval in 2023. Airdrie K-8, Springbank K-8 and a Cochrane High School. There are a total of 12 projects on the priority list. Langdon's K-8 school has been moved to the 2026 school year project list.

- 4) Alternative Programs policy updates Board Policy 18 specifically Policy 18 will be renamed Divisional Programs of Choice. Divisional programs of Choice include (but are not limited to) a particular language, religion, culture, the arts, athletics and specialized subject matters.
- 5) Exemplary Practice Building Futures Program celebrates Ten Years in Airdrie offered to Grade 10 students in partnership with McKee homes. Students complete their core courses and then are exposed to all the trades associated with residential home building through hands-on experience. Students learn about the trades and possible career paths with guest speakers, contractors, and other experiences. On April 27th, 2023 high school students enrolled in RVS' dual credit programs shared their experiences with the Board. Through RVS, students have partnered with Olds College for Vet Tech Assistant and Welding.
- 6) RVS received approval for 10 new modular units (request was for 32). Nine classrooms and one washroom unit were approved. These units are fully funded by the government. Delivery and installation times have not been confirmed.
- 7) Trustees support enhanced safety protocols in schools governed by AP 169 Trespassing and Loitering in Schools. Trustees asked administration to investigate what other divisions do all have external doors locked at the elementary and middle school levels. In High Schools, the front door is left unlocked, but all other external doors are locked. Locked doors can create a sense of safety, but it is not a fail-safe system. As well, a plan to utilize technology to remotely monitor and unlock the front doors for all elementary, middle and multi level schools will be developed and implemented depending on the line of sight for schools regarding front door entry.
- 8) Great attendance by our schools at the Joint School Conference held at the School Division office by Administration and School Council representatives. As well, thank you to Chantelle and Sara who were able to go to the ASCA

		conference in Edmonton last weekend. Our school community appreciates your time.
		9) Transportation Fees to be maintained for Next School Year. We are projecting an increase in government revenue and expenses as we do not have enough information about how funding will be
		received from the government. Early registration incentive is still in place. Be sure to register before June 23 to receive your discount.
		10) Board seeks help for a review of High School Diploma exams. The Board approved a proposed position statement to be put forward to the ASBA membership requesting the Minister of Education review the administration of provincial high school diploma exams in Alberta.
		11) The School Councils Committee will be hosting a Bylaws Workshop on May 23rd, 2023 at 6:30 on zoom. Please register to attend at the link below. https://rockyview.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJMkc-irpjorH9KQmJJ2RuESFEgiS2BH60VG
		- Four year plan – feedback was taken from parents, students, and staff. Focus on numeracy, literacy, mental health and supporting students in being future ready. Email will be sent home to parents to complete the Rocky View education plan survey.
		-Battle of the books is this week, over 150 students are participating. Parents are welcome to attend on Friday.
	Adminumdatas	-Ryan meeting with director of grounds to get soccer nets put into the second field
	Admin update:	-Passport to Kindergarten is on June 1, looking for parent volunteers to attend to represent school council
	-Volunteer appreciation day	-Thank you to FOSTeS for completing the casino
	-Education plan	-Lots of upcoming fieldtrips for all grades – feedback to ensure emails go out to
5.	-RVS survey	parents prior to the schoolcash notification. Also, more time for volunteers to know if they are needed for the field trip

		-Volunteer appreciation day – June 9 th invitations to follow
		-May 23, 6:30-7:30 school council bylaw explanation via zoom. Anyone is allowed to attend. Please register at https://rockyview.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJMkc-irpjorH9KQmJJ2RuESFEgiS2BH60VG
	Chair Update	-Staff appreciation – will send out a sign up for parents to either volunteer, pay, or send food
6.		Motion to have a budget of \$200 – Chantelle, 2 nd Stacey. Motion passed
7.	Treasurer Update	\$3392.48 current. Spend \$3283.74. Several upcoming expenses. Milk revenue to be added still.
8.	Old Business	
		-Struggled to find volunteers to run the casino. Amount raised will be released in the fall. FOSTeS will look at communicating out where the funds go to hopefully increase volunteerism. Next casino will be in about 3-4 years.
		-Joint fundraiser with Langdon School society during the parade of garage sales at Buy Low foods. Raised \$423.50
		-Graden Scents fundraiser ongoing
		-Looking for more volunteers
		Fostes general account balance 20,247.10
		Casino account 3,733.19
		Currently
		Paid for school bussing, 4,991.60
9.	Society Update	Paid for Cree storyteller 915.00

		Fins program 1,852.40
		Previous Casino amounts raised
		2016 - 41,793.18
		2019 - 51,992.00
		Big things casino have paid for A/V equipment for gym, risers for gym performances, iPads, charging carts, Chromebooks, basketball nets!
		-Feedback regarding hot lunch – looking for more information regarding ingredients on items.
		-Possibly communicate with parents about hot lunch funds being for the school
10.	New Business	
		Secretary - Sheena
		Treasurer – Jared
		Chair - Chantelle
	School Council Nominations/	Vice Chair -
11.	Election	Director – Karanjit, Chelsea, Dawn, Betty, Brenda, Carrie, Stacey, Jennifer
12.	Adjournment at	10:40
	Next Meeting	June 12, 2023 at 8:35am