



École Edwards School Council Meeting Minutes May 25th, 2016

Council Executive Members Present:

- Kristal Filipenko, Co Chair
- Meryl Gale, Treasurer

Council Administrative Members Present:

- Peter Fultz, Principal
 - Dawn Rife, Assistant Principal
 - Lindsay Adams, Assistant Principal
 - Christiana O'Rieley, Teacher
 - Sherri Wigmore, Teacher
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MEETING MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Kristal Filipenko, School Council Co Chair

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.

2. **SCHOOL COUNCIL EXECUTIVE REPORT** - Kristal Filipenko, School Council Co Chair

- Bug Dance – we sold approx 250 before the dance and then another 250 at the door. Texas donuts and oranges were sold out. We got many praise for the DJs, the volume of the music and the small dimmer lights were perfect. The butterfly and sword glow sticks were a huge hit. The approx profit from the dance was \$2100.
- We are still looking for a secretary for school council executive for next year.
- School council Committees in need of new leaders and members: Family Dance committee, Staff Appreciation committee
- We are open to new committees, but I think it would be best to take that up with the new executive for next year
- Funds spent for the 2015/16 year:
 - French Culture week - \$2,310
 - Razz Kids and Reading A-Z - \$6,700
 - Emily Carr presentation - \$345
 - Staff Appreciation events - \$1,000
- Please go to our facebook page or the school website to find the link for the RVS Parent Satisfaction survey. Our input is very important.
- June 7th, 8th and 9th will be our spring concerts for FI Grade 1, all Grade 4s and FI Grade 3. If you can help with set up and take down on Friday June 2 or Friday June 10th please contact Mme Laughton.
- Elections – all were in favor of Tania Brown and Nicola Russell for co chairs for the 2016/17 school year.
- PACE casino will be on October 13 and 14.
- Student Care donations will be going back up on School Cash Online to build up for the 2016/17 school year.

1. **CANADIAN PARENTS FOR FRENCH** – Sara Chamberlin, CPF Vice President

- RVS is understanding and realizing the importance of bilingual education and the growth that it is experiencing.
- RVS has the largest FI enrolment in Alberta
- CPF will continue to support and have events in Airdrie.

3. **TRUSTEE REPORT** – Todd Brand, Trustee

- Please see below

4. **SCHOOL REPORT** – Peter Fultz, Principal

- Assistant principal announcements should be coming next week
- Students that are transitioning to AE Bowers went over there today to tour the school and meet the staff and administration as well as fellow students. The day went well. This evening is an event for families transitioning to check out the school. There are currently 8 current and former staff of Edwards that will be making the move to AE Bowers as well.
- Leadership jobs for students will continue next year
- Staffing for Edwards is being finalized in the next month
- SEP update – there is a huge focus on literacy for next year

5. **MEETING ADJOURNED** – Kristal Filipenko

Kristal adjourned the meeting at 7:45 pm

RVSD Trustee Report

École Edwards School School Council - May 25, 2016 Trustee - Todd Brand

1. RVS Board Meeting Items

a. Electoral Ward Boundary Review

- i. At the April 7, 2016 meeting the Board passed a motion to conduct boundary review to determine if ward changes are needed for the October, 2017 school board elections. The process will be completed by early 2017.

b. Transportation Fees

- i. Student transportation fees will rise by \$10 per student. This increase is necessary to offset rising costs and the new carbon tax. Lower fuel costs and the reduction of our transportation reserve helped to keep our increase small.
- ii. Rural students will see an additional \$10 per student as the Board moves to equalize urban and rural fees. Currently rural students pay \$20 less than urban.
- iii. RVS maintains high levels of transportation service with fees that are generally lower than other comparable school divisions.

c. Attendance Plan for New Schools

- i. The Board of Trustees directed the Superintendent to implement Scenario #2: Grade 6 and 7 students remain at C.W. Perry, as well as, grade 8 students. Herons Crossing middle school program will then build by one grade each year.
- ii. The Board of Trustees directed the Superintendent to implement Scenario #1: Cooper's Crossing students feed into the new Windsong School after completing Grade 4.

a. New School Name

- a. The name of the new school in the Windsong community (opening September 2017) is Windsong Heights School.

2. Other Items

- a. **Superintendent Search** - RVS Superintendent, Mr. Don Hoium, has announced his retirement effective August 31, 2016. The Board of Trustees are well into the search process with facilitation from the Alberta School Boards Association. We expect to announce a hiring before the end of this school term.

