



**Herons Crossing School
School Council Meeting
March 19, 2025
6:30 pm – In-person @ Learning Commons**

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Michelle Foat - Chair
Pratap - Vice Chair
Melissa Kellner- Council Treasurer
Melissa Lacroix- Secretary, President of Friends

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION/REPRESENTATIVES:

Brendan Trinca - Principal
Brianna Storey - Vice Principal

RVS TRUSTEE:

Melyssa Bowden

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Members:

Leah Prentice
Nadia Graham

Meeting Called to order at: 6:30pm

- ★ Call to Order / Introductions/ Approval of Agenda & Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting
 - Motion for Minutes from previous meeting (Feb 12, 2025) Approved by Melissa Kellner, Second by Michelle Foat
- ★ **School update**
 - School & transportation fees schedule, quick run down, add grade 9 to list, Grade 7 & 8 Fees will go up as well as kindergarten for field trips.
 - School is expanding options
 - Assessments some provincial and some from RVS
 - 2024 focus was K-grade 3
 - Envelopes to be sent home with students in coming week(s)
 - They were done to inform and provide information to parents (province mandated to share results with parents)
 - Kinderman & Brochu both specialize in literacy and numeracy programs with students.
 - Can you ask the school for more resources? Yes, talk to your teachers, they can give ideas etc.
 - When is fencing around modulars coming down? Once they are completely done; soon.
 - Mr. Trinca says we are well positioned with space compared to some of the other schools in the RVS district.

★ **Student Leadership**

- N/A

★ **School Trustee Report - Melyssa absent -**

Jan 23 meeting

- The Mechanics Training Program celebrates its 25th anniversary. Partnership with Cam Clark Ford in Airdrie. Allows high school kids to work and learn in mechanics trade through hands-on instruction. Mr. Teasdale and 2 past students shared about the program.
- Board made a decision on how to better balance Chestermeres's Schools. 262% rise in population growth over 2 decades RVS' schools in Chestermere were experiencing significant and sustained growth.
- Changes will be shared with impacted families and school communities. Notable changes Chestermere will now have a middle school!
- Muriel Clayton Middle school designation adjusted to address utilization.
- The Board of Trustees made decisions for school designations for students in Prairie Springs to help higher projected utilization at Mureil Clayton.
- Beginning 2025\2026 school year students in prairie springs will attend : K-9 @ Windsong Heights and 10-12 @ Croxford. More information is available on the website. Communication of changes were sent out shortly after the final decision was made to help prepare for the upcoming year.
- Provincial Gov't mandatory literacy and numeracy screening and assessment results were shared. Based on results RVS is targeting gov't provided disruption funding to provide additional support for 10 schools. Other schools may reach out and each request will be considered
- RVS administered a new numeracy assessment aligned with the curriculum for grade 4-10 students
- Survey about AERR will go out again for 2025 with intention to expand the survey to parents. For grades 4-12
- RVS is expanding and deepening positive behaviour interventions and supports PBIS implementation across all schools and on school buses.
- Trustee Orientation AD HOC Committee created for upcoming trustee election. The committee will help to guide development and delivery of the orientation process for new trustees.
- Board received a letter from Minister of Education, Demetrios Nicolaides. Board will continue to advocate for change to the current weighted Moving Average funding model to one which provides funding for every student each year.
- School Council Survey CLOSED on Feb 10 2025.

★ **New Business**

- Paul Davis RE: Cyber Security coming September 19, 2025
- Candy grams post on Facebook, Mr. Trinca expressed there was due diligence and every child received one. Facebook Posts are not for council, suggestion for teachers to have a couple “extras” just incase was rejected.
- Teacher/Parent conferences can council provide a meal? Yes, There is money left over from the last one to use. Nadia Graham Ross volunteered to facilitate.
- @ Conferences volunteer table & Save the date Re: Paul Davis
- Meghan Farrar - Volunteer Help... How can we get parents more involved?
- Suggestion to do a spotlight volunteer in newsletter
- Communicate with parents they can volunteer in their child's classrooms.

★ Adjournment @ 7:29pm