



Cochrane Christian Academy

School Council Meeting

September 20, 2018 7:00pm

CCA Learning Commons

Meeting Minutes

A. Call to Order – Ellen 7:02 PM

B. Opening Prayer – Brenda Hiebert

C. Introductions

D. Approval of Agenda – tabled as quorum was not achieved

E. Approval of Minutes May 24, 2018 - tabled as quorum was not achieved

E2. Council Nominations and Voting – Ellen agreed to stand as Chair; Debra Clarke and Erin Neilson are to submit written letter of acceptance of shared Secretary role; other positions to be made available in October meeting.

E3. Annual Report - attached

F. Committee Reports:

a) Student Leadership Report (starting in Oct)

b) Rocky View School Board Trustee Report: Fiona Gilbert, Trustee (5 min)

- RVDS schools were off to a good start. Our welcome back BBQ was attended by the RVSD Superintendent and was well-received. The Prince of Peace school flooded at the end of August, however they were able to share a campus with a Catholic school in the city, so the students were able to start with no delay. The new Fireside school has put in a comprehensive and fully accessible new playground, at a price tag of approx. \$500,000. Transportation routes have been made more efficient - while some bus times have increased, the dollars are going further with extended routes. Population growth continues to put pressure on school capacity, particularly in Airdrie and Chestermere – if Cochrane continues to grow at the same pace, we will need additional schools as well, particularly a high school.

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c) Administration Report: Allan Elkin and Rachelle Prud'Homme (15 mins)

- We started with just our own Mitford and CCA students this year, rather than sharing campuses and portables, so that alleviated any population pressure. However CCA moved over 90% of the classrooms as they created a new configuration, so that kept everyone on their toes. The Welcome Back BBQ was a huge success, and staff shared their gratitude to the Friends of CCA organizes, volunteers, and all who attended – it definitely helped kick the year off with a strong sense of community and festivity! Camp is right around the corner, and everyone is eagerly looking forward to it as a time of bonding and spiritual growth – many hours have gone into preparing for this event, and both staff and students are really excited. The cookie dough fundraiser has just launched, and the students are abuzz with excitement to earn those wildly coveted Coops! This fundraiser replaces the Entertainment Book fall fundraiser, with monies earned to be directed to field trips, both in and out of the classroom.

G. Regular Business

a) Friends of CCA update:

Jennifer Darroch attended and gave an update on FOCCA activity: last year was relatively quiet as Jennifer and Marsha strategized on the most effective way to raise funds to support the school in the 2018-19 year. The cookie dough fundraiser and the bake sale in the spring raised in excess of \$3,000, so FOCCA was able to donate \$3,000 to CCA for the purchase of new iPads to be shared across classrooms. The new cookie dough fundraiser launches now, and will be followed by another new fundraiser, the Christmas catalogue, at the end of October.

b) Social Media update: RVSD is quite active on social media, so in addition to the Facebook page, Ms. Prud-Homme is considering adding a CCA twitter account, in order to connect with both parents and the broader school division, allowing CCA to provide current information as well as showcase innovative classroom experiences. An invitation to all parents to like and follow the CCA facebook page is to be sent via the office.

H. New Business - none

I. Adjournment 8:06 PM Ellen

Next Meeting Date: October 18, 2018 CHANGED TO NOV 1 2018

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