



6:30 pm, Nov. 13, 2024 – Location: Glenbow Learning Commons

Attendees: Sarah Caldwell, Amanda Heninger, Amber Leroux, Melinda Polo, Michaela Dyck, Emilia Giesbrecht, Breanna Baxter, Rhonda O’Rae, Amanda Paffrath, Nadine Gudmundson, Andrea Henders

1. Call to order: By Amanda at 6:34
2. Welcome and Introductions - done by all
3. Approval of Agenda - approved by Amanda; seconded by Melinda
4. Minutes from Previous Meeting – Oct 9th, 2024
 - a) Review
 - b) Business Arising from Previous Meeting
 - c) Approval - approved by Emilia; seconded by Nadine
5. Rocky View School Division updates – Fiona Gilbert
 - Calendar for the 2025-2026 school year has been approved and released
 - Calendar for the 2026-2027 school year is being reviewed further and will be released later in the school year
 - Strong feedback against a November break from parents. Data shows that November has higher numbers of illness, suspensions, etc. that has initiated the question from the school board.
 - Electoral ward boundaries have been confirmed - Cochrane will have 2 trustees with the overall number staying at 8 (2 rural wards on the east side of the school division will combine). Trustees have to live in the ward that they represent. They come from all different backgrounds.

Questions:

- How do we encourage the town to prepare sites for schools?
 - Things are moving at the horse creek site which is promising - optimistic that the funding for preparing the high school land is in the next budget and that the land is ready by the end of 2026
 - Parents can advocate to their town counsellors if they would like
 - Design funding can be awarded before the land is ready (as long as it’s in the process of getting ready). Construction funding isn’t awarded until the land is ‘shovel-ready’
- Which kids go to Cochrane high?
 - Cochrane High takes rural kids, Gleneagles, east Cochrane, and French immersion kids
- Is there a school going in to Heartland?
 - This site is ready and on the capital plan
- How long will the school boundaries remain as is?
 - Anticipating that the new Rivercrest school will be ready in 2027/2028. Hoping to manage enrolments until that school is ready and then there will be bigger consultation with that school included. Pinch points will be in Fireside and Glenbow in the upcoming years.
- Have the bussing fees been approved for the next school year?
 - School division has not yet released walk boundaries

6. Glenbow Updates from Administration

- a. School Education Plan - shared by Sara and Breanna

Questions:

- Are SLPs, OTs, etc. involved to support as needed?
 - Yes, they are available to the school as needed. Operate on a consultative model.
- Would teachers let parents know if their child is behind compared to what is expected for their age?
 - Yes. Real-time reporting also helps because parents can look at results whenever they want
- Will Glenbow be hiring into the child development advisor position?



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- Yes, this position will be full-time and is actively being recruited.

7. Current Business Items to be discussed
 - a. Family Literacy Night - Nov 21
 - i. Pizza - School provides the pizza and school council volunteers to hand out the pizza. Arrive by 4:45 if you can help out
 - b. Recap from Joint Board School Council Meeting
 - i. Designed around building future-ready students - the building blocks of preparing students for their future. In essence, it takes CALM from high school and incorporates elements all the way down to the kindergarten level. More information will be up on the school board website
 - c. Next Parent Night
 - i. First parent night is the Family Literacy night in November
 - ii. The second one is tentatively set for January. February will have movie night. March is student-led conference. April is the school dance - decided tonight that the second parent night will be moved from January to May
 1. Ideas discussed: sport psychologist, outdoor educator/forest school provider
 - d. Playground Update
 - i. Deposit for 2024 pricing is due November 29. Next step is to speak
8. FOG Update
 - a. Halloween fundraising made approx. \$450
 - b. Soup fundraiser starting right away
 - c. Hockey tickets raffle (2 tickets for each of 3 games) starting soon
9. Confirm Immediate Action Plan items
10. Round table – Any additional items that need to be addressed? – All
11. Motion to Adjourn – by Amanda at 8:00

Next Meeting: School Council Meeting – Wednesday Jan 8th, 6:30 pm @ Glenbow Learning Commons

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Recent Events

Remembrance Day - We had a beautiful Remembrance Day ceremony on Friday, November 8th. It was also featured in the Cochrane Eagle earlier this week. We were so proud of our students' participation as MCs, wreath layers, readers, and audience members. It was wonderful to have so many family and community members join us.

Upcoming Events

Upcoming Family Night - We are excited to share that we will again be hosting a Literacy and Numeracy Activities Night on Thursday, November 21st at 5:00 - 6:45pm. We will have a pizza dinner that runs from 5:00 - 5:30pm and then you can visit classrooms to play some literacy and numeracy games with your child(ren). Please sign up on SchoolCash Online by noon on November 19th. Please register your family



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under only one of your children. Signing up is important as it will let us know how much pizza to order!! Every person will receive two slices of pizza. Please bring your own water bottle!

Choir update - Our choir will be singing at the Bearspaw Christmas Market on Friday, December 6th at 4:15pm

Winter Celebrations - Glenbow School is excited to be hosting another round of Winter Celebrations this year, celebrating the many skills students learn through the Music Program. Due to the population of our school, we have made the decision to host 5 separate 'mini' afternoon Winter Celebrations in our school gym. This will allow us to comfortably accommodate our many supportive parents and families who are hoping to come and watch.

Please take a look at the schedule below and mark your calendars!

We understand that not all parents and guardians will be able to make it to an afternoon celebration (or two!), so we will be filming all the performances and providing parents with a secure link to these recordings the following week.

December 9th at 1:00PM: 1Jensen, 1Powers, 1Simoongwe, 1Fairweather, 1Emily

December 10th at 1:00PM: 1/2 Baldwin, 2Boukall, 2Joy, 2Roth, 2Julie

December 11th at 1:00PM: 2/3 Joty, 3Doré, 3Morrison, 3Williams, 3/4Hamilton

December 12th at 1:00PM: 3/4 Case, 3/4Ungureanu, 4Groeneveld, 4Vincent

December 13th: AM Kindergarten at 9:45AM and PM Kindergarten at 1:30PM

Kindergarten families will be receiving more information regarding December 13th as we get closer to the date.

We will also continue our tradition of caroling in the gym throughout the week leading up to Winter Break. This year will look a little different as we will have all students gather on Monday and Wednesday; Kindergarten, Grade 1, and Grade 2 on Tuesday; Grade 2/3, and Grade 3, and Grade 4 on Thursday; and then all students and the choir singing on Friday.