

2021-2022 GLENBOW SCHOOL COUNCIL General Meeting

November 10, 2021 | 7:00 p.m. | RVS Zoom

Attendees: Jason Billings, Amanda Heninger, Brittany de Winter, Trisha McPherson, Nadine Gudmundson, Fiona Gilbert, Laura Wellman, Michelle Hounslow, Cindy Stefanato,

- 1. Call to order 7:04 Amanda
- 2. Discussion of standards and protocols agreed upon Amanda
- 3. Welcome and Introductions all
- 4. Approval of Agenda approved by Brittany; seconded by Michelle
- 5. Minutes from Previous Meeting Oct 13th, 2021
 - a) Review
 - b) Business Arising from Previous Meeting
 - c) Approval approved as amended (addition of Fiona's report) by Laura; seconded by Trisha
- 5. Rockyview School Division updates Fiona Gilbert
 - a) questions:
 - Amanda asked for clarification that modulars were recently removed from Mitford and now the request has been made for 2 to be put back at Mitford. Fiona answered that yes, that is correct.
- 6. Glenbow Updates from Administration Jason Billings
 - a) Reviewed Survey Data Alberta Assurance Survey results and the Rockyview Survey Results from 2020-21 and provided feedback on all
- 7. Current Business Items to be discussed
 - a. Feed the Teachers during Student Led Conferences Nov 17 and 18 almost all spots have been signed up for.
 - b. RVC Joint Council Meeting Nov 25 @ 6:30pm Amanda will be attending
 - c. Feed back from the Parent Workshop in October well-received.
 - ideas for January's Jason suggested something related to social media;



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Laura suggested something related to areas where there was large discrepancy between teachers' and parents' responses to the survey; Michelle suggested something to support diversity - potentially a group supporting LGBTQIA2S+; Amanda suggested something about parent advocacy within the public school system

- d. Alberta School Council Engagement Grant intended to help school councils fulfill our legislative roles in advocating to provincial government on behalf of the school and students, to enhance parent involvement and to support the school admin and staff. Further discussion tabled until the January meeting.
- e. School Cash Net Cindy asked whether it's possible for FOG and school council to work together on fundraising initiatives to collect funds electronically. Fiona shared that it's not a direct answer and will meet with Cindy afterward to discuss further.
- 8. FOG Update Nadine and Michelle are new members to FOG and are having initial discussions on how to go about the year
- 9. Confirm Immediate Action Plan items
 - Fiona to meet with Cindy to discuss FOG and School Cash Net
- 10. Round table Any additional items that need to be addressed? None
- 11. Motion to Adjourn 8:17 by Amanda

Next Meeting: School Council Meeting - Wednesday Jan 12, 7:00 pm @ RVS Zoom



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Glenbow Admin Report November 10, 2021

- The school is working through the new COVID 19 Hazard Reduction Administrative Procedure. The new procedure will begin on January 3.
- The Roofing project is going well. They should be ahead of schedule with this great weather. The company has been wonderful to work with as they are communicating well with the school to ensure the work is done safely and respectfully.
- All of Glenbow's grade 2 and 3 students participated in literacy and numeracy assessments at the beginning of the year in order to access funding from the Alberta Government's initiative to support literacy and numeracy coming out of the pandemic. As a result, Glenbow will be receiving \$98,000 to spend on intervention and resources to support literacy and numeracy this year. Staff will be putting a proposal in to Rockyview on who we intend to use the funds to support students who were identified as at-risk or below average. It will be a great opportunity for our students.
- Administration reviewed the Alberta Assurance Survey results and the Rockyview Survey Results from 2020-21. Administration is gathering feedback from students, staff and parents on things that are going well, areas to address, and what types of initiatives we can do to improve. These identified areas will be outlined in the School Workbook.

Glenbow School Council Trustees Report November 10, 2021

Welcome to a new Board

Welcome and congratulations to recently elected trustees who have been selected to represent their community as a member of the Board of Trustees for the 2021-2025 term. The new Board was sworn in at its organizational meeting on Oct. 28, where trustees elected a Chair (Fiona Gilbert) and Vice-Chair (Norma Lang) from among their ranks, as well as appointed members to various committee roles.



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Draft K-6 Curriculum Parent Focus Groups

The Alberta government has announced that they will introduce a new Kindergarten to Grade 6 curriculum for all elementary schools across the province starting in the 2022/23 school year. Rocky View Schools (RVS) would like to hear from parents/guardians who have children in these grades and then share that feedback with government prior to government finalizing the K-6 curriculum. This feedback will be collected through facilitated small group discussions held virtually on Zoom with the last one scheduled for Nov 17 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Please call 403.945.4031 to register.

Modulars

Every year at the end of October, RVS submits a Modular Unit Request to government asking for modular classrooms for the coming year. This year, RVS is requesting 18 modular units (aka portables) – 2 @ Mitford, 4 @ Fireside, 6 @ Northcott Prairie and 6 @ George MacDougal HS. RVS continues to experience areas of growth that modular classrooms can help address. While securing these modular units helps to alleviate space constraints in some schools, RVS continues to require new schools to be built in alignment with the needs of growing communities with increasing student populations.

New COVID-19 Hazard Reduction Administrative Procedure

A new Administrative Procedure, AP 173 – COVID-19 Hazard Reduction, requires all individuals 18 years or older who are NOT students in RVS to either show proof of being fully immunized or provide a recent negative COVID-19 rapid test result to access RVS schools or facilities starting Jan. 3, 2022. The Board recognizes that not everyone will agree with the approach that RVS is taking. The decision to require proof of vaccination or a negative test was made in response to the government's request of all school divisions and in support of our commitment to measures that reduce the risk of transmission of COVID-19 in our schools. The implementation of AP173 is another important step in RVS' multi-layer approach to keep the 26,600+ students in our care safe and in school, and to protect our 2,600+ staff.



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Save the Date – the next Joint Board School Council Meeting is taking place on Thu Nov $25^{\rm th}$ at $6:30 \, \rm pm$ via Zoom. Invitations have gone out to school principals and council chairs. Please register in advance.