

## Elizabeth Barrett School Council Minutes.

Wednesday, March 20, 2024 6:30pm

1) Call to order @ 6:34

2) Adoption of Agenda- Chantelle and 2<sup>nd</sup> Joy

3) Approval of Draft Meeting minutes from Feb 28, 2024: Collette and 2<sup>nd</sup> Joy

4) Update from School Administration (Gerry)

- Pleased with all the activities recently
- PD Day activities: Indigenous Ways of Knowing and Ways of the Land activities/ curriculum. Worked on the 25 robots that are coming and did some training around these with staff in groups of four and silently programming on "How to make a Smoothie" in 25 words or less
- Good parent turn-out at conferences
- Thank-you for the food at staff appreciation dinner, lots of items at lost and found.
- Starting to look at projections for next year- anticipating some small growth for next year. "In year" growth has had an increase of 15 kids (all seem to be in Grade 1)
- School fees- handout (info on website). Max amounts that can be charged is shown. Can't increase by more than 5%, 0 increases for this year. Proposing to board to add optional headset for \$12.
- Portables will be moved over to Cochrane High in Spring.

5) Update from RVS Board (Fiona)

- Capitol Projects: RVS had 5 top projects approved- feel fortunate to have received this much funding.
- 5 projects,: 3 construction project "full steam ahead"s, 1 in Cochrane, 2 K-8 Airdrie design projects for HS in Airdrie & K-9 school in Chestermere(\$ committed for design only so far).
- 2025 Capitol Plan coming up at meeting tomorrow. What's the next priority list? I.e. the design projects.
- Budget: RVS unsure of the budget- haven't received the budget profiles yet. 4.9% increase in education funding provincially but unsure how this translates to RVS.
- AB School Council association: end of April. Joy and Chantelle attending Friday and Saturday and part of Sunday

6) EB Fundraising update:

- \$4170 read-a-thon, take home to school \$4004.19. Lots of great sponsors. Found Bookstore wants to set us up as a school “points” collector

#### 7) School Business

- Volunteer Coordinator update/information- Still struggling with helpers for library and breakfast club. Staff appreciation dinner came together last minute. A parent donated \$ last minute. Lots of leftovers that got dispersed between left-overs for staff and breakfast club
- Facebook posts are helpful to get last minute helpers.
- Chantelle needing helpers for classroom photos.
- Hot lunch Coordinator update/ information- Colette- Volunteers are down. Speil sent out at last week’s fan-out. Mid-May to June 14 is down helpers.

8) Old Business- Excited about feedback on Google Forms for Teacher Wellness Art.

8) New Business- Chantelle asked about numeracy and literacy tutoring. Feels that helpers have dwindled. Has been some high school students and some parents in the past. Jen will pass along to the high school leadership group.

9) Next Meeting: April 17, 2024: AGM on May 15th

10) Adjournment- 7:14