

Riverside School Council

Monthly Meeting Minutes

Date: March 14, 2024

Call to order:

Jennifer Hvingelby called meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Attendees:

Melanie McDonald	Leslie Gault	Jennifer Hvingelby	Maria Schmid
Annie Yu	Kelsey Meyer	Simmie Pandher	

- Land Acknowledgement
- Sarah McDonald had sent an email last week advising that the City is installing bike racks and better traffic controls (flashing lights)

Action Item: Forward Steve Radder the link regarding the City installing the bike racks and better traffic controls so can be provided to the school community.

Review of Action Items & Approval of minutes from February 22, 2024 meeting:

Action Items: Gaga ball pit – approved, work is ongoing.

Minutes approved as distributed.

Principal's Report

Principal's Update: (delivered by Annie Yu)

- Mr. Kirby Koch (Phys Ed) away on a leave for surgery for ~8 weeks
- Jack Delay has been hired to fill in starting on March 19th.

Pending approval at the April 18, 2024 meeting

- Luminita Granita – new Grade 7 generalist, temporary position. By the end of year, there's a process to hire a permanent position. She is a very experienced teacher with a science background.

- Paige Lean taking over as a Learning Leader (part of the Admin team), taking over from Brandi Ferrall.
- One of our lunch supervisors (Nahal Patel) has resigned & moving to Ontario; hiring someone
- Spring activity day:
 - Staff advocated for a different kind of spring activity day as more of a "start to spring", outside activity day (and some indoor activities), sometime in May.
 - 2 sets of activity:
 - Low cost or no cost option
 - Out-of-school activities eg. climbing, skating, golf dome
 - Jen Hvingelby commented that there is a brand new rollerskating rink opening – Calgary Rollerskate
 - o In lieu of a dance
 - Suggestion that any funding request to the Parent Society for the out-of-school activities (as an all-school activity day) to be submitted in time for the next (April 2024) meetings
 - Action Item: to make and vote on funding requests by May to use up Casino funds by June 2024
- Zen City Engagement Survey only about 9 people had responded. A summary will be put on the website. Question as to whether the survey can be re-issued.

Funding Requests

Earth Day fruit: (\$250.00) – fruit for students

Other

- Parent donation for paint for sensory room with murals to be painted by Jen Hvingelby.
- A parent wants to volunteer as Treasurer. She is a CFA and bookkeeper. If more than one person wants to volunteer as Treasurer, there will be a vote.
- Naturalization roles and Secretary roles will be open to be filled for 2024-2025
- Mel McDonald advised that the intention is to have Co-Chair roles for the School Council rather than Chair and Vice-Chair

Adjournment

Jennifer Hvingelby adjourned the meeting at 7:42 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Kelsey Meyer

Next meeting: April 18, 2024