

**Cochrane High School
School Council
School Council Meeting
Monday September 12, 2016 @ 7:00pm
Minutes**

In Attendance: Carrie Cline, Jennifer Rooney, Marla Bosch, Lisa Gillett, Kim Wunder, Richard Côté, Dawn Collings, Teriann Novakowski, Nadine Yacey, Kim Fraser, Candace Roux, Dawn Marie Cinnamon, Coralie Banash, Janice Hilton-delaMare, Adèle Scott, Darlene Kozub Clarkson, Colleen Munro, Gale Côté, Ed Polhill, Tracy Lyons, Victoria Edwards

Student Guests: Shelby W., Valerie C.

1. Welcome & Introductions

- Carrie called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.

2. Approval of Agenda (as adjusted)

- Approved by Gale Côté, seconded by Teriann Novakowski

3. Approval of Minutes

3.1. June 6, 2016

- Approved by Ed Polhill, seconded by Teriann Novakowski

4. Reports

4.1. Student Senate (Shelby, Valerie)

- Welcome back week included egg races, watermelon eating contest, balloon toss and the pancake breakfast
- Welcome back assembly (Sept 12) featured Orlando Bowen – former CFL player who shared several messages:
 - Staying positive
 - Small actions can have large consequences
- Orlando also spent the day with Leadership and the football team
- Sept 21 – Club Fair
- Sept 29 – Terry Fox Run
- 7 students will be attending CSLC (Canadian Student Leadership Conference) in Edmonson, NB
- Soccer and Volleyball tryouts are complete
- Jr. Girls Volleyball won Gold and Jr. Boys won Silver in a recent tournament
- Cross Country has started
- Band is planning an April 7th trip to Oahu, Hawaii
- Sustainable Development is coming up with a new project for January
- The Senate is made up of elected/appointed representatives of the various CHS clubs. Those representatives then elect a chair.

4.2. Administration

- CHS was expecting 756 students, actual is 802 (35 of the difference are grade 9 students)

- New staff:
 - Danielle Weyman – math/science
 - Darren Sagan – mechanics
 - David Copley – term 1&4 construction
 - Rick Ross – term 2&3 construction
 - Shayna Engel – social studies / English
 - Midori Monan – learning support
 - Rusty Cholach – math / science / phys ed
 - Also in the process of hiring an additional English teacher
- Parking lot was paved over the summer and the first come first served parking now requires a parking pass as well, this has increased the number of spots to 172 versus the previous 115
- Entire floor throughout the school has been replaced and the gym floor has been redone
- New lighting and sound systems in Performing Arts area
- New 16 passenger bus with lift is just in the process of getting logo'd
- Grad 2017
 - 245 respondents to the survey
 - 73% selected Saturday May 27th at the Telus Convention Centre as the date
 - Grade 11 parents will be solicited to help out with the evening (“pay it forward” philosophy)
- Very positive comments from the staff about the new group of grade 9 students
- Powerschool – teachers are expected to update marks in Powerschool at least every two weeks

4.3. Staff (Gail Côté)

- Thank you to the parents who volunteered at the Welcome Pancake breakfast
- J block art started last week
- Leadership will be helping out at the food bank after school on Sept 16th
- Leadership will be brainstorming ways to promote activities like the welcome week activities

4.4. Trustee (Colleen)

- The board has had one meeting so far
- New Superintendent of Schools started Sept. 1st: Greg Luterbach
 - Originally from Saskatchewan and most recently from the Kootenays where he went after receiving his Masters degree
 - Worked for RVSD in the early 2000s in the Technology Division
 - First official visit to CHS will be October 26th although he's stated he may just drop by anytime
- There are 22,500 students registered in RVSD
- 1168 new students which is 50% than originally budgeted
- Fireside will open fall of 2017
- Ranchview (Sunset) K-2 is open now, the rest of the grades are in portables at Mitford and will move into the school in January
- Board reorganization in early October
- Colleen and Trudy participated in the Cochrane Labour Day Parade

- Parent-Teacher Interviews will be Oct 25 from 5pm-8pm and Nov 1 from 5pm-8pm
5. **Pumpkin Lantern Festival**
 - October 28th at Cochrane Ranch
 - Carrie and Ed have reached out to the various Cochrane area schools to invite them to participate in the organization
 - Meeting to be held Wednesday September 21st at 7pm in the Learning Commons in CHS
 6. **Caring Committee**
 - Carrie would like to see these volunteers utilized more
 - Anyone in the school community should contact administration to identify a need
 7. **Miscellaneous**
 - School Council Minutes will be posted on the Council Tab on the website
 - We will be moving from a bylaw format to an operating procedures format – our bylaws already allow for this
 - The Communications Position is still open on Council
 8. **Council Membership**
 - A motion was requested to approve the Updated School Council Membership for 2016-2017 (attached). Gale Côté made the motion, Adèle Scott seconded. Motion was passed.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:30pm

Next meeting – October 3rd – 7pm

Additional meeting dates:

November 7th

December 5th (Holiday social)

January 16th

February 6th

March 6th

April 3rd

May 1st (AGM)

June 5th

School Council for 2016-2017

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| Chair | Carrie Cline |
| Vice Chair | Dawn Collings |
| Secretary | Jennifer Rooney |
| Volunteer Coordinator | Vanessa Fischbuch |
| Fundraising Coordinator | Rhonda Duffee |
| Communication/Media | Vacant |
| Grade 9 Rep | Teriann Novakowski |
| Grade 10 Rep | Coralie Banash |
| Grade 11 Rep | Lisa Gillet |
| Grade 12 Rep | Maria Bosch |
| Staff Rep | Gale Côté / Lisa Gordon-Reece |
| Members at Large | Adèle Scott |
| | Bruce Woolrich |
| | Cheryl Bowman |
| | Darlene Kozub |
| | Janice Hilton-dela Mare |
| | Maria Spagnolo |
| | Marilyn Hess |
| | Richard Côté |
| | Victoria Edwards |
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