

Riverstone School Council Meeting

Date & Time: Wednesday, February 21, 2024 at 7:00pm

Location: Riverstone Public School & Google Meet

Attendance: Sherri Ask, Kara Geerligs, Amanda Savage, Ray Busziak, Ashley Nicholas, Shauna Dewhurst, James Hudyma, Jill Burgess

Call to Order @ 6:56pm

1. Approved last meetings minutes: 1st Amanda Savage, 2nd Ashley Nicholas
2. Division Update- Ray Busziak:

Fall 2025 students 1km away from a school qualify for bussing. A lot of planning, more buses and drivers needed to accomplish this.

Student advisory committee met again, discussed division planning, wellness.

Blanket Exercise with Parkside on Tuesday Feb 27 Kara and Sherri will attend.
Trustee-Council Liaison meeting Feb 29@7pm-Sherri & Kara to attend

3. Principal Report: Jill Burgess

-Assurance survey- all grade 4 and 7 students have completed except for about 9 students.
Reminder for parents to complete—social media reminder to come out soon.

-Registration for next year:

-pre-populate registration forms begins on Feb 28. Reg. opens March 11.

-will run KinderPAL, AM, M/W & T/TH kinder next year.

-School Fees:

-proposed changes: Grade 7 & 8 option classes are currently \$20 each (Art, Foods, Construction). Would like to increase Construction and Foods to \$25. APPROVED unanimously.

-Dress Code:

-the Division is looking at making an Administrative Policy (AP) on Dress Code.
Council was asked for feedback. Summary of thoughts:

-should be broad as it needs to address just the extremes—individual schools need to have the flexibility to come up with their own detailed policies.

-what is good for a K-8 school is not going to be the same as a 9-12 school.

-language is important- don't want to lay blame or make it seem like 1 group or gender is being singled out.

-purpose should be to support students in making positive clothing choices.

4. Christmas Celebration/ concert Will be added to the April and Mays agendas
 - a. Make a poster and send to Tricia to be shared on social media.
 - b. Poster should advertise the meeting but we want to keep the conversation on track so it needs to be a very focused discussion.
5. Glo Dance Thursday March 14 @ 630-8pm
 - a. Sherri will contact Flip to book them
 - b. NO NERDS.
 - c. Water bottles, Glow sticks and candy for sale

Adjournment @ 7:54pm Next Meeting March 20 @ 7pm