

## Riverstone School Council Meeting Minutes

May 15, 2024

Location: Riverstone Public School

Attendance: Jill Burges, James Hudyma, Tracey Mahoney, Kelsey Bremner, Kara Geelings, Shauna Dewhurst, Danielle Newstead, Ashley Nicholas & Ray Buziak

1. Call to order 7:00pm
2. Presentation of last meetings minutes approved by Danielle & Ashley
3. Division Update- Ray
  - High Prairie treatment centre has been closed since Nov. Youth need this support and safe place to go. Need people to reach out and voice their need for this.
  - Update on new report cards division wide. Jill will speak more on this.
4. Principle Report- Jill
  - High volume received back on report card survey sent out. Summary is parents want to hear if their children are well liked, how their behavior is and is there continual growth with their child.
  - New report card system for next school year will be a lot easier to read & more parent friendly when it comes to terminology used in the text. Will still see the 4, 3, 2 & 1 grading. But each category will have a comment section for the teacher to write more of a point form on each area. This will replace the large essay written about each student at the bottom of our current report card.
  - The division will all follow the same report card style.
  - Thank you again for a wonderful Staff Appreciation week.
  - Outdoor art walk is now set up and ready for enjoyment
  - We are welcoming Brian Mayea as new Vice Principle. He has been a Vice Principle at Isabelle Campbell for 7 years.
  - Are you Returning data is still occurring.
  - Social Studies pilot next year. A handful of schools will report back to the Gov.
  - Welcome Kindergarten is coming back this year. June 11. This includes fun stations, see the classrooms, get to meet your teacher. We will have a new Kindergarten teacher joining us this year.
  - IMPORTANT DATES
    - Friday May 17- Professional Learning day (no school for students)
    - Monday May 20- Victoria Day (no school)
    - Wednesday May 29- Grade 5 & 6 track meet
    - Friday May 31- Western Day/Donut Day
    - Thursday June 6- Grade 1-4 Riverstone track day
    - Friday June 7- PL Day (no school for students)
    - Tuesday June 11- Welcome to Kindergarten 5:30pm-6:30pm
5. Winter Festival- Jill

- Need to look at borrowing more chairs and risers. Isabelle Campbell has the same as us and would work.
  - Would need to limit amount per family
  - Thinking 10am door open or 1:40pm door open.
  - Would likely be a 30-40 min performance. Would be a per class performance and then do a sing along to a couple popular songs as a way to extend the show and make it worthwhile for those coming
  - Still need to bring this to a staff meeting for discussion. Lots of year end prep on going so will hold off until Aug/Sept. When all new staff will be there.
  - Possible to send out a survey as we have not gotten enough feedback as no one new has joined in for these discussions. Would be done through google and would be to see if people want to continue with the 12 days of cheer or move to in person.
6. Panna Soccer- Kelsey
- Have had to tweak game rules to make sure more kids get a chance to play. As well as to keep it safer.
  - Requires lots of supervision from Staff.
  - Cost has gone up to \$7, 245.00
  - While its been great to try out we are not interested in investing in our own.
  - Our money would be best spent on getting actual goal posts installed
7. Orange Shirt orders- Kara
- We have been asked many time to have shirts available for purchase for this day when we do school spirit wear.
  - However we do not want just any company to profit from this. It should be an indigenous company getting any sort of profits
  - There is a company that we will reach out to and see if we are able to share their information and if they would do 1 shipment to our school for distribution. We would not collect any money for this.
8. June meeting- Yes lets still do this
9. OPEN FLOOR
- Shed is slated to start after May long weekend. Cost have gone up but won't know until it's done.
  - Another strip of asphalt will be going down by the library/ park to help with where the grass doesn't grow.
  - We should have parent council information package/ something set up for Kindergarten information night. This is our chance to get some eager new faces involved for next year!
  - Reading University letter has been mailed to us. Our school has 8-10 students attending this summer. Are we interested in donating again?! YES!
  - Kinder Grad is currently voting on this years theme. Are we interested in supplying some funds again? Yes

- Grade 8's have opted to go a different route and want to do a movie celebration. The school will cover the cost of bussing and the movie. Would we donate to their cost of snacks/drinks. The movie theatre does have discounted rates for school groups. Thinking it'll be approx. \$10 per student. We will do this but are looking into if we can just pay the group rates for these instead of doing 80 gift cards. That's a lot more work for all involved.

10. Adjournment 7:52pm

11. Next meeting June 12 @ 7pm