

Prairie Sky School

201 Skyview Ranch Rd NE Calgary, AB, T3N 2E7

School Council Meeting – April 22, 2024, 5:45 pm,

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Minutes – April 22 2024

5:45 PM @ Prairie Sky School

* indicates written report/attachment provided

1. Call to order meeting – 5:45pm – Britney calls meeting to order

Attendance

Executive:

Brittany - Chair

Laura – Vice Chair

Melody – Vice Chair

Leslie – Treasurer

Nina – Treasurer

Don – Secretary

Jenna – Social Media - Absent

Daria – Parent

Staff:

Mona – Principal

Uroog - Assistant Principal

Mike - Assistant Principal

Teachers – Grade 8 Team

2. 5:45pm - Review of the Agenda – Copies of agenda made available for attendees to review

3. 5:45pm - Approval of the Minutes, as presented (OR as amended) – Britney motions, Laura seconded
 - a. March minutes approved

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4. 5:46 pm – Teacher Share

- This month we hear from the Grade 8 teachers

- Grade 8 Learning Highlights

- a) Introductions made, including a moment to recognize and bring attention to the fantastic commitment and hard work given by the grade 8 class this year and the classroom success they have earned from it
- b) Science – learning about water systems, mix and flow of matter, light and optics, mechanical systems (which is the present class topic) and final section coming up cells and systems
- c) Social Studies – world views, world history, focus studies on places like Japan and its island isolation aspect, The Renaissance period of European culture, Aztec and Spanish study of opposing worldview leading to conflict
- d) English / Language Arts – writing and reading with focus on managing incoming information, exercises in listening, speaking and representing ideas, delving into art history with studies on great artists and their works. Also, some fun role playing as historical figures engaged in debate, an upbeat and engaging way to apply learned knowledge of who they were and give students a change to act them out
- e) Ways to support at home – Teachers share tips for engaging with students and encourage them to share their days experiences with you, this will maintain a level of involvement and better allow students to approach their parents when needing extra help. We're in the later portion of the school year now and this is often when extra motivation can greatly benefit performance
- f) Bamfield Marine Science Center – PSS first class trip was a tremendous success, a short video detailing the experience is shared with attendees. Students and teachers spent 5 days in the Bamfield, BC area participating in active hands-on scientific learning, getting to apply classroom skills to real-world settings, many smiles and lasting memories made

5. Principals Report 6:08 pm start

- a) Recent official opening of Prairie Sky School ceremony was a success, a huge event with many guests and students participating, bravo to all involved in pulling this off
- b) Modular Classrooms – confirmed will be happening next year, planning ongoing for where they will be located, multiple levels of government involved, estimates of 100 new spots for students will be created
- c) Class Size Challenges – preparing for next year and class / teaching assignments, attempting to accommodate teacher requests and allocating appropriate resources for each grade level
- d) Provincial Achievement Tests (PATs) upcoming in for grades 6 and 9, planning to be completed online
- e) Traffic Update – resulting from Ever Active audit, various upcoming improvements including curb extensions in problem areas
- f) Warmer Weather – Expecting more bike and scooter traffic as students ride to school, workshops around riding safety planned

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6. General Discussion – 6:25pm Start

a) Food Drive Donation – a initiative to collect donations for food banks, can we work this into any year end celebrations? Rewards to students or classes who collect the most? A visual representation to promote participation, set a challenge to fill a big bin, winner chosen by weight? Doing in June likely best option

b) Playground – rubber matting being installed, opening date not yet determined, fencing will remain up till end of year

7. Next Meeting – May 13, 2024 @5:45pm

8. Meeting adjourns – 6:30 pm – Britney adjourns meeting



Minutes Template
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Prairie Sky School Fundraising Society

Scheduled Meeting

April 22, 2024 @ 6:30 PM

1. Welcome, Call to Order @ 6:30 PM
 - A) Britney Bennet opens meeting
2. Society Application Process
 - A) Application has been approved, we now have Certificate of Incorporation
 - B) Motion made by Leslie to now apply for Alberta Gaming Liscence eligibility - None opposed , motion passed
3. Fundraising
 - A) Bluegrass – 18 total orders received
 - B) Open discussion around ideas of what to sell, how to attract interest, are more sales occurring for in-person interactions like conference nights, or online order sales, proposal to do surveys as assessment tools
 - C) Fundraising has been a learning experience for our Society and we will evaluate past events in a continued effort to improve
 - D) Volunteer List – Laura has been tremendous taking on task, email list compiled and easy access to volunteer names potentially available for various events
 - E) Snack Shack mobile cart ongoing, next date April 20, will look review at next meeting for future dates
 - F) Fun Luch dates palled in May
4. Meeting Adjourned
 - A) Meeting Adjourned – 6:50pm – Next meeting will be May 13, 2024 following School Council meeting