

CCHS School Council Meeting Minutes

Feb. 1, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

- 1. Call to Order at 5:36 pm Amber Rhodes, Fernanda Eisler, Louise Schmidt, Christina Richmond, Lorelei and David Bexte, Tanya Campbell, Angie Meadows, Leanne Hellman, Amy Montgomery**
- 2. Approval of Minutes -Amber Rhodes moves to accept the corrections from last months agenda, 2nd by Angie Meadows**
- 3. Additions to the Agenda**
- 4. Old Business**
 - 4.1. School mission statement-tabled until next meeting
 - 4.2.
- 5. New Business**
 - 5.1 “Sales pitch” or bullet points to draw in parents to parent council using Edsby, finish at the end of the meeting, Amy volunteered to do this
 - 5.2
 - 5.3
 - 5.4
- 6. Board Report-** Lorelei or Louise
- 7. Principal Report-** Leanne can we get parents to do surveys at the school, have chrome books set out, have paper surveys handed in at the school to put their name in for a draw, possibly through the school council

CCHS School Council

Principal’s Report

February 2023

• January Exams

- Our exams went well - no glitches.
- Our Grade 9 students used Quest A+ to write their PATs and will do so again in June. This change is due to Palliser requesting an alternative exam schedule for PAATs from Alberta Education - and schools/divisions who have been given permission to deviate from the prescribed writing dates were not provided with paper copies of the exams. At some point in the future, we will likely start offering our diploma exams via Quest A+ as well.

- **Parent Learning Opportunities:**

- The Southern Alberta Professional Development Consortium (SAPDC) is offering two learning opportunities that may be of interest to parents. These sessions will be offered virtually via Zoom.
- The first is a 4 parts series (February 2, 9, 16 and March 2, 6:30-7:30PM) titled 'Power of Parents.' See below for a link to register, an overview of the sessions, along with an introduction to the presenter.
 - Registration link - <https://www.sapdc.ca/program/9888>
 - Session overview - <https://www.sapdc.ca/program/pdf/9888>
- The second is a session (March 8, 7:00-9:00PM) titled 'Executive Functioning for Parents of Students with ADHD.' See below for a link to register, an overview of the sessions, along with an introduction to the presenter.
 - Registration link - <https://www.sapdc.ca/program/10345>
 - Session overview- <https://www.sapdc.ca/program/pdf/10345>

- **School Budget Update:**

- We have received our finalized budget for the 2022-2023 school year. Our enrollment was 14 students below our projected enrollment, which dropped our instructional budget by \$2640.00
- Our instructional budget for the 2022-2023 school year is \$40,300.00.
- We currently have a surplus of \$18,834.92.
- Our international transfer is \$3,016.65.
- Based on these numbers, we are revising some of our allocations, purchasing some new textbooks, and working with Palliser on making some purchases for the CTS lab. We are also pricing out a class set of student chairs as well as some more rocking chairs and standing desks.

- **CTS Lab Update:**

- After our last meeting, Palliser requested that Mr. Styles and I revise our [wishlist](#) to reflect our 1-year, 3-year, and 5-year priorities as well as any urgent safety concerns. We are also gathering feedback from students by having them complete a student interest survey, which asks about the courses and programs they would like to have access to.
- Tom is in discussions with the secretary-treasurer and the head of facilities. Based on what we now know we can afford through the school, we're looking at ordering everything on the list that is urgently needed as well as items indicated in the 1-year and 3-year plans.

- **Alberta Education Assurance Survey**

- The AEA Survey opens this week.
- We will be requesting enough student codes for all students in Grades 7-12 to participate in this survey.
- Alberta Education will send surveys to parents/guardians of students in Grades 7 and 10.

- **CCHS Vision & Mission Statements**

- Staff have begun revisiting our school vision and mission statements.
- **Vision:** (A look forward at our ideal state - if we achieve our goals, what will the future look like?) *County Central High School is committed to fostering well-rounded, educated citizens of tomorrow.*
- **Mission:** (A concise statement explaining the existence of the school - why are we here? What is our purpose?) *The mission of County Central High School is to inspire learning and growth for Grade 7-12 students in a positive environment.*

Other Updates:

- Principals and athletic directors will be meeting with Palliser staff to review and discuss AP 260 (Student Off-Site Activities, Field Trips, Excursions and Tours).
- A meeting of the Joint Use Committee was held this afternoon. This was our first meeting since the pandemic.

Important Dates:

- February 1st School Council Meeting
- February 1st-3rd Fernie Ski Trip
- February 3rd & 4th Junior High Basketball Tournament
- February 6th Staff Meeting
- February 7th Admin Meeting
- February 10th Pancake Breakfast
- February 10th & 11th Senior High Basketball Tournament
- February 14th Valentine's Day
- February 20th Family Day
- February 21st & 22nd No School
- February 23rd & 24th Teachers' Convention
- February 27th Pink Shirt Day

8. **Teachers Report-** Christina Richmond, Leanne will look into sponsorship for field trips. Look into doing a chat challenge for the math challenge.

And do an at home challenge. Homework punch card is used in Mrs.Yonner's class. Trying to reward kids for doing their homework by giving them the opportunity to up their grades by participation by 5%. Handed in punch cards can be put in a draw for a movie card.

School Council Meeting - Feb.2/2023

Teacher Report:

- ★ Mrs.James has started criminal justice this semester, and is looking at planning a field trip for that group in the near future
- ★ Mrs. Yoner asks that the new 10c Math students need to make sure they have a graphing calculator as soon as possible.
- ★ Mrs.Seaman has asked grades 7-9 to please bring badminton rackets if they have for the new phys ed unit
- ★ Student council is teaming up with GLOW to plan "Pink Shirt" Day (Feb. 27), Student council's first meeting of Semester II is not until next Tuesday
- ★ Kernels Popcorn—new order has arrived, student council selling in the learning commons.
- ★ Mrs.Dobson came to the grade 9 chat class today to talk about EPIC - Exploring Possible Industries & Careers <https://careersteps.ca/epic/> - coming in April, usually grade 10 but not as much interest this year. Morning at the Exhibition center in Lethbridge, afternoon at a business (not chosen by us). The 9s seemed to all be on board so Mrs.Dobson is going to sign us up, more information to come!
- ★ Get-A-Way Youth Center



- ★ The new February math puzzle challenge will be in the Feb. newsletter! Called the 'Barber Shop Debacle'. Only two families submitted in January, any ideas to increase completion rate?
- ★ Mrs. Yoner and myself have teamed up to offer more incentive for kids to complete their math homework. I have between 30-40% completion rate for junior high/high school classes I teach...10 complete practice assignments will fill the Homework punch cards, one full punch card allows student to choose a previous test to add 5% to, and as well gets them entered in a draw to win a movie/drinks/popcorn for two at cineplex. Draw to be made at awards ceremony in May/June

School Council Meeting - Jan.11/2023

Teacher Report:

- ★ Holiday activities that teachers organized for the students' last day before break went amazingly well. We did not have all students here for our last day due to bus cancellations and weather, but the 70 or so students that were here took part. The feedback received was that it was an enjoyable day and that students would like to do that again in the future. Students received the following schedule that day:



- ★ Cayley Tharle (grade 8) won Palliser's annual Holiday Greeting Card contest and many of our junior high students were singled out as notable entries and appeared on the Division's Chromebook default background page. Former student Liz Dugdale's artwork is the newly featured Division background page. The mural can be found in the Gym or South hallway.

- ★ Family Math Puzzle Challenge - The following information was introduced in the December Newsletter, and will be included in the upcoming January Newsletter along with the puzzle.

Hi Families! In last month's newsletter, I had mentioned our new "Family Math Puzzle Challenge" that will be released in our newsletters moving forward. Each month starting now you will find a new challenging puzzle for you and your students to complete at home.

If the completed monthly puzzle is done correctly and handed in to me (Ms.Richmond) before the release of the next newsletter, your family will be entered in a draw to win a prize that will be handed out at our awards ceremony closer to the end of the year. This means that if you correctly complete and turn in all upcoming puzzles, you will have 5 draw entries for your family!

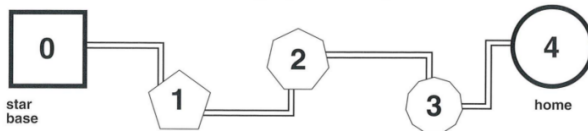
For the January "Space Travel Puzzle', you need to outline your process for getting home from Starbase. You will get one draw entry for a correct answer to the first problem, as well as an extra entry if you solve the second problem as well.

Thank you everyone! I look forward to seeing your submissions! Please contact Ms.Richmond if you have any questions.

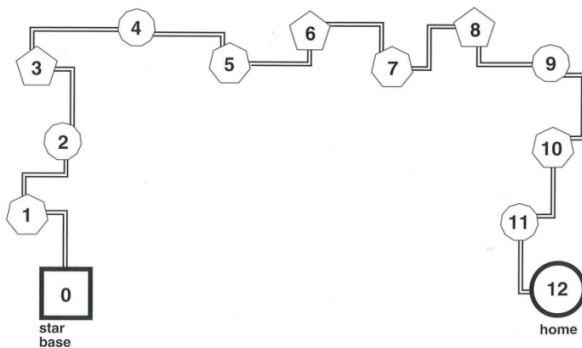
Puzzle:

Space travel

You are the pilot of a spaceship. You have to travel home from a starbase. The only way is to take the space tunnels that connect through three space stations. However, it takes a lot of fuel to travel through a space tunnel. For each space tunnel it takes one energy capsule. You have 6 energy capsules at the star base, but your spaceship can only carry 3 at a time and you will have to pass through 4 space tunnels. You can store energy capsules at the space stations.



This is like the previous problem. To get home, you will have to pass through 11 space stations and twelve space tunnels. For each space tunnel it takes one energy capsule. You have 24 energy capsules at the star base, and your spaceship can carry up to 8 at a time. You can store energy capsules at the space stations.



Goal of Puzzles: Practice for SNAP math fair being set up for late May/early June
<https://www.mathfair.com/>

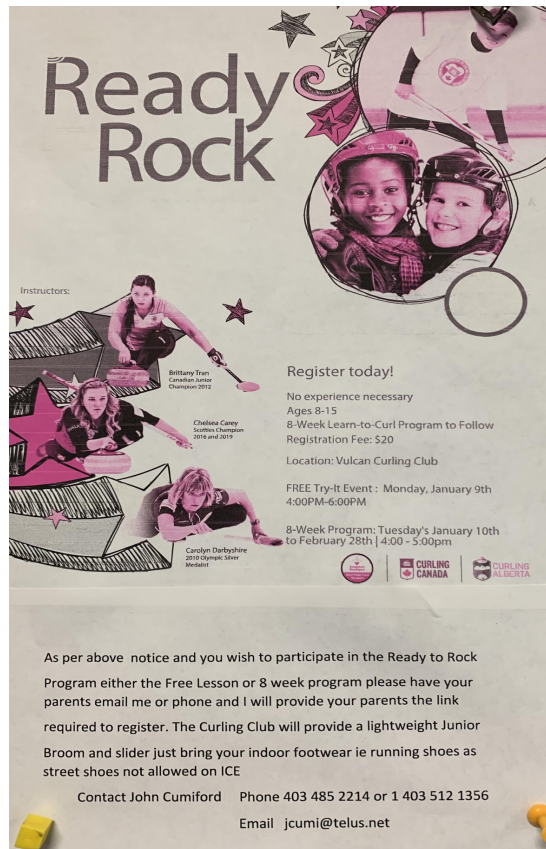
A SNAP math fair is:

- ★ Student-centered,
- ★ Non-competitive,
- ★ All-inclusive, and
- ★ Problem-based.

The purpose of a SNAP math fair is to provide a meaningful problem-solving experience for all students. These four guidelines make the math fair appeal to all students at all levels. Goal to address struggles with problem solving, critical thinking, and thinking outside the box. Hope to have it open to public in some way!

★ **Ready to rock! Curling program run through the Vulcan Curling club is an opportunity for you to improve your curling skills. January 9th is a try it FREE**

curling day! After that you can register for an 8 week course for 20\$. Information on poster that has been shared with students during daily announcements



Ready Rock

Instructors:

- Brittany Tran
Canadian Junior Champion 2012
- Chelsea Carty
Scottie Champion 2018 and 2019
- Carolyn Darbyshire
2010 Olympic Silver Medalist

Register today!

No experience necessary
Ages 8-15
8-Week Learn-to-Curl Program to Follow
Registration Fee: \$20
Location: Vulcan Curling Club

FREE Try-It Event: Monday, January 9th
4:00PM-6:00PM

8-Week Program: Tuesday's January 10th
to February 28th | 4:00 - 5:00pm

As per above notice and you wish to participate in the Ready to Rock Program either the Free Lesson or 8 week program please have your parents email me or phone and I will provide your parents the link required to register. The Curling Club will provide a lightweight Junior Broom and slider just bring your indoor footwear ie running shoes as street shoes not allowed on ICE

Contact John Cumiford Phone 403 485 2214 or 1 403 512 1356
Email jcumi@telus.net

★ ATA public forum: Christina Richmond and Steven Gill were in attendance, along with Mayor Tom Grant, Board Trustee Louise Schmidt, and one community member. Conversation centered around



You're invited!

December 6th, 2022

Join us at a public forum to help inform a bold and hopeful vision for Alberta's public education system

All are welcome!
Vulcan Legion,
240 Sinclair Road
Vulcan, AB

6:00pm - snacks, refreshments
6:30 - 7:30pm - forum

RSVP on Eventbrite:



STAND FOR EDUCATION



★ Student Council - nothing to report at this time, focus on exams at the moment

9. **Sport Council Report-** John-none

10. **Next meeting date –Mar. 1 : 5:30**

Additions:

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

Friends of CCHS Meeting minutes
Feb. 1, 2023 after CCHS School Council Meeting

1. Call to Order

The Mission of our School Council is to foster the well-being and effectiveness of our school community and to enhance student learning.

- 2. Approval of Minutes-Amber Rhodes, 2nd by Angie Meadows**
- 3. Additions to the Agenda-Need additional help for the pancake breakfast.**
- 4. Correspondence- Amber will send card to P and H updating them on when we're doing our spring fundraiser**
- 5.
- 6. Treasurer's Report- Amy Montgomery, adopted as read by Amy, 2nd by David Bexte**

Date: Feb. 1, 23				
Funds			Designations	
Bank account balance	\$1,785. 27		Independent Caring fund	\$3,585.3 9
GIC 1 (cashable)	\$5,010. 36		Fruit Program	\$549.12
GIC 2 (cashable)	\$5,010. 36		Undesignated Funds (no guidelines)	\$12,671. 48
GIC 3 (locked in)	\$5,000. 00		Undesignated funds (casino guidelines)	\$6,390.8 7
Casino Account allotment	\$6,390. 87			
Total Funds	\$23,196. .86	should be equal	Total Funds	\$23,196. 86

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7. Old Business

6.1 Feb. 10 breakfast update-need one more volunteer

6.2 CTS labs/Staff wishlist investment-update-Amy moves to rescind the motion made at last meeting to purchase CTS equipment, Tanya Campbell 2nd's that motion. Approved.

6.3 Mark Stolte from OH and S came out to check that everything meets safety requirements

6.4 Can the school council help with funding for day ski trips for kids that cannot afford it? Keep discreet through Leanne

6.5 Amy Montgomery makes a motion to purchase white boards for the math department, 2nd by Amber Rhodes

6.6

6. New Business

6.1 What types of residency programs could we bring to the school for differing experiences for the students? Louise wondered if Rosebud Theatre may have a residency program. Robotic residency would be interesting.

6.2 Parent info night for secondary education-Fernanda-Jason Kupery offered to do a parent night to educate parents for the path of secondary education, Target to grades 9-11 Would Jen Dobson help? Talk at the next meeting for getting snacks together for that post secondary night.

6.3 Sponsor a prize for parents filling in surveys, dinner out or Cineplex tickets up to \$200. David Bexte made the motion, Amy Montgomery to 2nd. Approved.

Chat challenge program (math puzzle) can put their name in the draw for a small prize, maybe Subway? Or leave to Christine to find out what she wants. Conditions are that any gift cards should be used in town.Or have Christina budget a dollar amount. Tanya Campbell makes motion to give up to \$100 to the chat challenge, with the condition that it be used locally. 2nd Amber Rhodes. Approved.

Sponsor math incentive, the punch card for the homework completed. To give \$40/grade. Motion by Angela Meadows. 2nd by Amber Rhodes

Bullet points for public 1- S.C. Sponsoring prizes for the chat challenge and math homework punch card incentive.

2. Hosting a pancake breakfast Feb. 10.

3. School council is looking for a residency program to bring into the school.

7. Next meeting date – Same as Parent Council Meeting

8. Adjournment-at 7:26 pm

Additions:

- a) _____
- b) _____
- c) _____