Bob Edwards School, 4424 Marlborough Dr. NE, Calgary, Alberta

School Council Meeting

Minutes –Sept. 22, 2026 6:00pm
In Person: Library, Virtual: Microsoft Teams

1. Call to Order by Samm at 6:07pm

2. Land Acknowledgement

3. Introductions

   Parents: In Person: Samm Diamond, Kayla Bracken, Marcy Moir, Lori Beal, Rouba Ismail, Aleem Shaukat, Zeblu Khan Online: Diana Tokalic, Danie Guenter
   Staff: Malynda Kouperman - Principal, Camille Haggar - Assistant Principal, Mme McGarvey

4. Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting

Motion: Kayla motioned to approve the May meeting minutes. Seconded by Marcy. Carried.

5. Business Arising From the Minutes

   None

6. New Business

   Meet the teacher school council table representative to create awareness and potentially get more parents to come to meetings. Also selling chips. Kayla and Kristy volunteered to do this. They will need to use a cash box. The school may have an empty cash box. Council will need to provide a float.

7. Reports

   a. Chair/Secretary/Treasurer

      Nothing to report.

   b. Principal/Assistant Principal

      - Smooth start up to the year so far. Students have been focussed.
      - Staff did an exercise on school core values and they presented this to the students. Values: courage, growth and respect. There will be a monthly courage, growth & respect award. Teachers will nominate two kids who have shown these values. Principals will call home to inform parents and kids will get recognition and a certificate.
      - In hopes of increasing awareness of the late French program, we now have a French leading learner. Lauren Stragen also teaches grades 4 & 5 at Marlborough school. This will hopefully increase our late French program for Marlborough students. She is not assigned to a teaching load at Bob E. She is primarily helping with grade 9 and one-on-one help with some kids. We have also increased our French signage and announcements throughout the school.
      - Field trips and funding: this year we have asked the staff to put all or most of their field trip plans into a spreadsheet so we have an idea of what to expect for the year in terms of funding. Each grade team has been asked to do at least two field trips. Ex: Grade 6 is planning to go to the police youth interpretive centre

and Telus Spark. Grade 7 Heritage Park, Telus Spark and possibly Bow Habitat. Grade 8 Surge basketball, “light and optics” at Laserquest (this is expensive). Grade 9 Telus Spark, high school tours, Vertigo theatre and the Kananaskis freshwater study. Mrs. Kouperman will email this list to the council.

- 7-1, 7-2, 7-3 received funding for going to Word Fest hosted by David Robertson.
- French grade 7s have applied to go to National Geographic Live in March.
- Plan is to have Alien In-Line rollerblading for the whole school with potentially a small student fee. 2 weeks to get all the kids through.
- Meet the Teacher night Thursday, Sept. 24. 5:30-7pm.

c. Liaison & Committees

- Key Communicator: Diana

  Diana will look into the next COSC meeting date.

- Marlborough Community Association Events

  Nerf Night this Friday, Oct. 16. Jellybean dance next weekend and another one in October (ages 12 and under). They are looking for volunteers for these events. There is now an Eagles hub board that we could post/advertise these events. Looking for kids to volunteer for the Snow Angels program as well.

8. Questions/Comments from Parents Regarding Reports

- Are coaching teachers volunteering their time? More or less. Teachers have 72 hours of unassigned teaching time that they are expected to use for extra-curriculars (coaching, clubs, etc).
- Do we have a Construction teacher? Yes, Kate Chomack went to some summer training for construction teachers and already had some base knowledge.
- What kind of clubs are being offered for the students? Karaoke club, The Elite dance club (open to all), GSA, art club, wellness club with board games, French conversation club, speech & debate club, and intramurals. Kids can join anytime and all are welcome. Art club was very popular so last year it had to be limited to 4 week blocks so the next wave of students can have a turn. Clubs are just starting or starting soon. These are all generally during lunch. The school would also like to have a fitness club. If kids would like to have a club that is not offered they can make the suggestion and potentially find a teacher to host it.
- When is the Terry Fox run? Oct 2 and is separated by grade.

9. Next Meeting Date

   October 27th @ 6pm. AGM

10. Adjournment

    Meeting adjourned by Samm at 6:40pm.