

**Rosemont School Council (RSC)**  
**March 2025 Monthly Meeting Minutes**

**Purpose:**

*School Councils provide a means for parents and community to work together with administration, staff and students, to promote the well-being and overall effectiveness of the school community. Its main role is advisory and as follows:*

1. *To help build a sense of community within Rosemont School.*
2. *To develop and promote our school's presence within the larger community.*
3. *To promote parent involvement at Rosemont School.*
4. *To enhance the educational experiences of students at Rosemont School.*
5. *To develop a school financial plan to support chosen initiatives.*

**Date:** Tuesday March 18, 2025

**Location:** Rosemont Community Hall (Basement)

**Time:** 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

**Attendees:** Rachel Au, Amy Cooper, Jen Cooper, Brenna Doyle, Matthew Guilherm, Kim Hurtig, Raymond Johnson, Rebecca Jones, Rhonda McLean, David Rasmussen, Andrea Robichaud, Haley Walker, Monika Wensel-Curtis

**AGENDA ITEMS**

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| 1. Call Meeting to Order                 | David Rasmussen                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting called to order by David R at 6:00.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 2. Approval of Agenda                    | David Rasmussen                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Motion by David R to approve March 2025 Meeting Agenda.</li> <li>Motion seconded by Matthew G.</li> <li>All in favor – motion passed.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 3. Approval of Minutes from last meeting | David Rasmussen                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Motion by David R to approve February 2025 Meeting Minutes.</li> <li>Motion seconded by Jen C.</li> <li>All in favor – motion passed.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 4. Business Arising from Minutes         | David Rasmussen                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>None.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 5. Teacher Update                        |                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| a. Background                            | Ms. Wenzel-Curtis<br>Ms. McLean | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Been teaching Grade 4/5 together for 2 years.</li> <li>Applying old learning strategies and ideas to new curriculum.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| b. UNESCO Candidate School               | Ms. Wenzel-Curtis<br>Ms. McLean | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Days guide programing.</li> <li>International Day of Mathematics – Mar 14. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Also Pi Day. Students memorized digits of pi for competition. Winner memorized 98 digits!</li> </ul> </li> <li>International Day of Digital Learning – Mar 19. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students participated in anonymous survey to achieve better understanding of digital involvement of students.</li> <li>Created pie charts of results.</li> <li>Students were surprised that many students had phones.</li> <li>AHS has good resources regarding digital learning / use.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
| c. Two-Eyed Seeing                       | Ms. Wenzel-Curtis<br>Ms. McLean | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fusing Western / Indigenous way of knowing.</li> <li>Tying into Grade 4/5 astronomical curriculum. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Space / Constellation study: Pleiades = The Lost Boys.</li> <li>Visit to Rothney Observatory.</li> <li>Wrote research essay about space.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| d. Habitat for Humanity                  | Ms. Wenzel-Curtis<br>Ms. McLean | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Preparing stories and song for Habitat for Humanity competition.</li> <li>Song part of Music – tune of Down by the Bay.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| e. Leadership Opportunities              | Ms. Wenzel-Curtis<br>Ms. McLean | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World Change Club.</li> <li>Carnival.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

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| f. Literacy                             | Ms. Wenzel-Curtis<br>Ms. McLean   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Writing – lots of opportunity. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Writing prompts.</li> <li>◦ Collaborative writing.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Class Book Studies. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ <i>Island of the Blue Dolphins</i> by Scott O'Dell.</li> <li>◦ <i>Journey to Jo'Burg</i> by Beverley Naidoo.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Small Group Book Study <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Small groups with different novels.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Parent Q: Can you provide a Summer Book List? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Recommend Calgary Public Library Summer Reading Program.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
| g. Sexual Health                        | Ms. Wenzel-Curtis<br>Ms. McLean   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New requirement to provide consent to opt-in (used to just be to opt-out). Ensure you return completed forms.</li> <li>• Parent Q: Is the curriculum available for parent review? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Yes, available online.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 6. Principal's Update                   |                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| a. Student Teachers                     | Andrea Robichaud<br>Rebecca Jones | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Eight! Student Teachers currently at school, until April 18.</li> <li>• One in each of classroom, working together in grade pairs. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ 2 x Grade 5/6</li> <li>◦ 2 x Grade 4/5</li> <li>◦ 2 x Grade 2/3</li> <li>◦ 2 x Kindergarten (Morning) and Grade 1/2 (afternoon)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| b. Swimming                             | Andrea Robichaud<br>Rebecca Jones | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Went well.</li> <li>• Approximately \$8000 (less than expected), waiting on invoices.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| c. Parking Concerns                     | Andrea Robichaud<br>Rebecca Jones | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continuing concerns regarding drop off / pick up / parking.</li> <li>• CPS, AMA, Ever Active Schools providing support / advice.</li> <li>• Sometimes families block in support staff, who are paid by minute and need to be able to leave on time.</li> <li>• So many signs currently up, most disregarded. Need a permanent solution.</li> <li>• Aiming for resolution in September.</li> <li>• Gates recently installed by parking lot to dissuade foot traffic in / out of parking lot.</li> <li>• Looking into turning parking at back into Bus Area.</li> </ul>                                                                                |
| d. CUPE Strike                          | Andrea Robichaud<br>Rebecca Jones | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Staff / students have been great – respecting space and trying to keep clean.</li> <li>• Voting tonight, hoping to be back Friday.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| e. 2025-26 Projections                  | Andrea Robichaud<br>Rebecca Jones | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Please return Purple Sheets so Admin can estimate next year projections.</li> <li>• Current Kindergarten registration: 19 students.</li> <li>• Still considered “closed school”.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 7. Chair Update                         |                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| a. Public Performance Copyright License | David Rasmussen                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Price of license has gone up. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ \$425 + tax (no streaming)</li> <li>▪ \$625 + tax (with streaming)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Ensure timing will work to cover for two years.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 8. Past Events                          |                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| a. Community Skate Party                | David Rasmussen                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Great event – low key.</li> <li>• Hall rental went well.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 9. Upcoming Events                      |                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| a. Movie Night                          | David Rasmussen                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cost of license has gone up + will require gym rental.</li> <li>• Idea to rent Kensington Theatre – David R to look into this option.</li> <li>• Cineplex not option – expensive, limiting.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |

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|                                               |                           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Movie Ideas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Paddington in Peru – opened Feb 14.</li> <li>◦ Snow White – opening March 21</li> </ul> </li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 10. Parent Education Night                    | Jen Cooper                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lorraine Kinsman offering talk on resources for new-to-Canada families. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Offering online or in-person. In-person may be better for families whose first language is not English.</li> <li>◦ Free offering.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Idea to get turn-out: Offer food, backpack drop.</li> <li>• Still interest for Paul Davis.</li> <li>• Path forward: Figure out date for Paul Davis, then plan to have Lorraine Kinsman present as well. Ensure dates are more than 1 week apart (may impact turn out).</li> </ul>                                                                                                                        |
| 11. Fun Lunch / Snack Update                  | David Rasmussen           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School Admin want to confirm date for Family Fun Lunch.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 12. Rosemont Community Liaison Update         | Matthew Guilherme         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thank you to Common Digs for offering space for tonight's meeting!</li> <li>• Shiny Program wrapping up. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ 40 kids participated!</li> <li>◦ Tough year with weather – either too warm or too cold.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Upcoming Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Community Pub Night – Apr 12.</li> <li>◦ Stampede Breakfast – first Sat of July. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Community Association requests use of RFS pancake supplies. Approved.</li> <li>▪ Open to all Community Members, but doing less advertising this year (last year planned for 300, got 500).</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
| 13. Volunteer Coordinator Update<br>a. Casino | Kim Hurting<br>Amy Cooper | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thank you to all Swimming volunteers!</li> <li>• Volunteering Feedback: Some extended family members not getting emails. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Idea to put link / info on website.</li> <li>◦ Request to set up Mail List – may help with this.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Idea of Parent Handbook. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ All necessary info (Fun Lunches, Volunteer Clearance, etc) in one place.</li> <li>◦ Hard copy or QR Code</li> <li>◦ Could be Capstone Project.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                  |
| 14. New Business                              | David Rasmussen           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Need to pre-plan Halloween Party so ready in October.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 15. Meeting Adjourned                         | David Rasmussen           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meeting adjourned by David R as 7:19.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Next Meetings:</b>                         | Tuesday April 15 6pm      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |