



UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE
BOW VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

JANUARY 9TH, 2025

SC Executive Members Present:

Tracy Brooker, Chair
Nadine Hof, Vice-Chair
Vanessa Bilan, Secretary

School Administration Members Present:

Jocelyn Thiessen, Teacher Representative
Fiona Gilbert, Rocky View School Trustee

SC Executive Members Absent:

School Administration Members Absent:

Shane Dempster, BVHS Principal

Members at Large:

Tinille Qyatt
Treena McMahon

Bobcat Backers Present:

Andrea Pinter, Fundraising Chair

1. **Call to Order**

Chair Tracy Brooker called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

2. **Land Acknowledgement**

3. **Welcome and Introductions**

4. **Approval of Agenda**

Chair Tracy Brooker declared the agenda approved by Andrea Pinter and Treena McMahon as circulated.

5. **Approval of Minutes**

Chair Tracy Brooker declared the minutes from November 2024 approved by Andrea Pinter and Nadine Hof as circulated.

6. **Administrative Presentation - Ms Thiessen (Career Counselor)**

jthiessen@rockyview.ab.ca.

There are many opportunities to help students plan for post-secondary, such as, 1-on-1 career advising sessions (Gr.9-12 by booking), CALM presentations, Gr.12 post-secondary presentations (Gr.12's only), and lunch hour applications for support workshops.

Students were given the option to complete a career interest survey (493 responses). Respondents were given customized resources via email based on results.

BVHS is hosting a Job & Volunteer Fair on Feb. 11, 2025 @ lunch.

Resources: [ALIS](#), [High School Course Sequence & Recommendations](#), [Presentation Slides](#)

7. **Rocky View School Trustee Report - Fiona Gilbert**

School Board Elections: open January 1st, 2025. There are now two trustees for Cochrane.

26/27 Calendar: has been approved, no major changes.

Transportation: no move to change walk boundaries

Action

Recruitment for Superintendent: interviews mid-February, start anticipated to be Summer 2025.

Capacity at BVHS: currently 107%, no expected growth in 25/26, and expected drop to 73% capacity in 26/27 with completed renovations.

8. Business Arising from Minutes

a) Speaker Series Tuesday Talks: registration and attendance is consistently low. Tabling topic for sub-committee (Tracy, Nadine and Michelle) to discuss solutions.

b) David Irvine, Jan 16th: 40 registrants. Local media promotion and potential for interview. 50/50 draw set up, people to purchase through QR code prior to & during the event. Laurie to send promotional email to parents. Vanessa, Nadine, Tracy, Susan, Tenille, and tentatively Andrea to attend as event support. Event support needed for: greeter/parent council promotion, bobcat backers table, venue take down, and David Irvine book sales.

50% of registration revenue to go to Wayfinders (who will attend the event), 50% to Bobcat Backers.

9. New Business and Round Table

No new business discussed.

10. Bobcat Backers Fundraising Society Update

Jason Ness donated his 50/50 winnings back to the Society. Thank you Jason! Healthy Hunger is still open. Thank you Laurie for working with students to organize getting these meals out!

Next Bobcat Backers meeting January 23rd, 2025.

11. Next Council Meeting - March 13th, 2025

12. Adjournment - 8:45 PM