

Bow Valley High
School Council Annual General Meeting Agenda
Learning Commons – Thursday, Sept 12, 2019 @ 7:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order
 - a. Introduction of Executive Members & attendees.
 - b. New Business: BVCares – staff presentation (out of respect to presenters, this will precede other business)
2. Review of Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes from AGM Sept 27, 2018
4. Chair's Report of Council Activities (see attached)
5. Principal's Report - Jim Reilly
6. Report from the Board of Trustees - Fiona Gilbert
7. New Business
 - a. Fundraising Society: Status & Meeting Information
 - b. School Playbook
8. Elections
 - a. Dissolution of Council
 - b. Nominations: Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary
9. Meeting Schedule
10. Adjourn

Action Items:

- 1) **Chair:** Notify School Division, in writing, of all new and returning Executive Members
- 2) **Chair:** Notify ASCA, in writing (form on ASCA website), of new Chair and contact information
- 3) **Chair:** Meet with principal
- 4) **Vice-Chair:** Arrange updating of website with new names and contact information (if needed)
- 5) **Vice-Chair:** Source and distribute information on resources, support, training available for executive (if needed) such as ASCA, School Division, etc.
- 6) **Secretary:** Provide summary (or draft minutes) of meeting to all members and interested parties

Council Chair's Report
Annual General Meeting of Bow Valley High School Council
September 12th, 2019

Executive Members

Chair: Jason Ness

Vice-Chair: Kari Rose

Secretary: Judy Heck

Meetings

School Council met 8 times, generally on the second Thursday of each month:

Thu., Sept 27	Tue., Feb 14
Thu., Oct 18	Thu., Mar 14
Thu., Nov 8	Thu., Apr 11
Thu., Jan 10	Thu., May 9

Summary of Council Activities:

- i. Attended academic awards ceremonies
- ii. Attended RVS Joint School Council Meetings at RVS Education Center
- iii. Attended BVHS Open House
- iv. Attended Student Led Conferences and staffed a meet-and-greet table
- v. Conducted school tour for parents and gave feedback on potential future improvements to facilities
- vi. Provided forum and opportunity for a fundraising committee to be formed on behalf of the school
- vii. Reviewed ASCA resolutions and voted by proxy at AGM
- viii. Hosted speakers from Guidance Department
- ix. Organized a teacher meal on Student Led Conference evening

Challenges:

Maintaining an active parent presence on council is a challenge, but we made strides over the previous school year, and never had to cancel a meeting due to lack of quorum. Finding a role for council in the greater school environment was a challenge, and it is my hope that future councils might have both the desire and the human resources to play a more active role in contributing in some manner to school life, whether it be through planning an event, coordinating volunteers, serving as a more robust forum for parent education and information, or whatever manner council might be of greater service to the school and its broader community.

Successes:

As a group, we were involved in a number of school-based functions, and found opportunities to connect with a number of parents meaningfully. We were able to create the conditions for a fundraising society to be founded (re-founded?), and resumed a previous tradition of providing a meal for teachers before Student Led Conferences one evening.

I would like to thank Kari Rose and Judy Heck for their commitment and efforts as Vice-Chair and Secretary respectively.

Jason Ness, Chair