

Bow Valley High School Parent Council
Minutes
Thursday, March 16, 2023 - Learning Commons

1. Call to Order at 7 pm - Introductions by Tracy Brooker, Chair
2. Approval of Agenda by Susan Brauss, seconded by Kari Rose.
3. Approval of Dec 15, 2022 minutes by Kari Rose, seconded by Susan Brauss.
Note: Jan 19, 2023 meeting did not have quorum and do not have minutes.
4. Admin Update - Shane Dempster
 - Met with Alberta Infrastructure regarding the expansion
 - The decision is in between to plans but highlights include a double gym, CTS spaces for woodworking/mechanics, space for drama and fine arts programming, a teaching kitchen
 - Expected opening 2025, with a projection of 1425 students
 - Building to begin soon, some growing pains as construction goes on
 - Building a cosmetology room with a new teacher on-boarding who is also a basketball coach.
 - Reassessment review from Feb - considering small chunks of time instead of one week; aim is to hold students more accountable with Due dates to help them. Discussion with attending parents to provide feedback.
5. Trustee Report - Fiona Gilbert
 - Board getting into next year's planning; working with the new provincial budget regarding operational and infrastructure needs
 - The new provincial budget looks promising
 - Funding profiles have been released - instructional funding is fairly flat with more funding for transportation and maintenance
 - Board figuring out how to intensify spaces for new classrooms
 - No new capital funding announced for Rocky View Schools; New planning stages announced for Airdrie, Cochrane and Chestermere
 - Need more advocacy in Cochrane for capital projects; parents keep the pressure up!
 - RVS engagement regarding Powell St School is ongoing. Announcement soon
6. Bobcat Backers Update - Erin Sturgeon
 - Met last Thursday, March 9, 2023
 - Easter candy grams to be sold April 3-5; delivery to the classrooms on April 6
 - Have a meat box fundraiser for May in the works. Stay tuned!
 - To build the parent school community, we are starting to plan a community event for the end of May, early June.
 - We are awaiting further details on our mascot.
7. Adjournment at 7:35pm. Next meeting on Thur, May 11, 2023

Presentation by Kelvin from Stepping Stones to Mental Health to follow the council meeting.