

St Lorenzo Ruiz School Council Meeting May 21, 2025

Date: May 21, 2025

Time: 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Venue: St Lorenzo Ruiz School, Red Deer.

Attendees:

Rob Coumont (Principal), Barbara H, Connie S, Kelly M, Melissa R, Monica N, Monica W, Stephanie D, Tolu T

Apologies: Adela M

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting started at 6.02 p.m.
2. **Opening Prayer** – Mr. Coumont
3. **Land Acknowledgement:**

St Lorenzo Ruiz would like to acknowledge that we are on Treaty 6 territory, a traditional meeting place and travelling route of the Cree, Saulteaux, Blackfoot, Metis, Dene and Nakota Sioux. We acknowledge all the many First Nations, Metis and Inuit whose footsteps have marked these lands for centuries. We are grateful to the Elders who came before and are with us today for the wisdom they provide.

4. **Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes:** Minutes of the previous meeting held on April 16, 2025, was approved by Barb. The motion was seconded by Connie.
5. **Review of the Agenda** – Approved.

6. Reports:

Principal's Report: Detailed Report is attached.

- The last Professional Development (PD) day was on May 16. There was a short staff meeting followed by Class List Creation and Class List Sharing Vertical Alignment.
- Authentic Learning- Some examples:
 - 1) Hatching Chicks in Foundations 2
 - 2) Volcano Projects Grade 6
 - 3) Bridge Project Grade 7
 - 4) Guest Yoga Instructor

- 5) Track and Field Volunteers with Grade 8
- 6) Heart dissection Grade 8
- 7) Rocket Launchers Grade 9

- Examination Schedule for May and June was sent out to parents and guardians.
- **Trustee's Report:** Nothing to report. New Board of Trustees will be elected on October 20, 2025.
- **Secretary's Report:** No new business.
- **Treasurer's Report:** Donations from an anonymous family were used for the School Dance. The Staff Appreciation Day cost \$545.10 and \$231.10 for Shrove Tuesday.
- **Faith Rep:** No new business (unavailable).

7. Old Business

Privilege Day May 30

Tickets will go on sale on May 22, 23 and 26. The tickets will be for A&W.

Kipp Scott Donation: \$1600 for sports equipment from Kipp Scott. Several sports and protective equipment were sent. A receipt and a thank you letter will be sent to Kipp Scott.

Field Trips:

Grade 6 – Recreational Centre

Grade 7 – Reynolds Museum June 2

Grade 8 – Kerry Wood Centre with some 'kick-backs' anticipated.

Grade 9 – Discovery Wildlife Centre, Innisfail

The School Council will donate \$350 towards the Grade 9 farewell.

Grade 9 Farewell Day of Activities on June 23, 2025.

8. New Business:

Projected Numbers for 2025/2026 School Year:

Foundations/Blended: 51

Grade 6: 106 students and 4 classes

Grade 7: 135 students and 4 classes

Grade 8: 145 students and 5 classes

Grade 9: 133 students and 5 classes.

Vision for Next Year:

Supporting Students' Mental Health is overwhelmingly supported by the teachers. There is a wide range of areas that can be addressed under mental health.

Communication with parents and guardians and obtaining feedback on the effectiveness of communication methods.

The importance of regular communication with families about grades and upcoming activities/tests was brought forward.

9. **Future Meeting Dates:** The third Wednesday of the month as been adopted as the tentative months for School Council meetings. The next meeting is scheduled for September 17, 2025.

10. Closing Prayer – Mr. Coumont.

11. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:16 p.m.