

# Meeting Minutes

March 19, 2025

## Rogers Public School School Council

**Meeting called by:** School Council

**Type of meeting:** March meeting

**Facilitator:** Deborah Snow

**Notetaker:** Craig Webster

### In attendance

- Deborah Snow
- Kristen (Co-Chair)
- Ivan (Co-Chair)
- Craig (Secretary)
- Katherin, Brenna, Golnaz
- Absent: Laura, Lea-Ann Smalley

Time Start: 7:00 PM

- **Land Acknowledgement**
- **Positions:**
  - Co-chair (Kristen/Ivan)
  - Secretary (Craig)
  - Treasurer (Laura) (absent)
  - Voting Members - Golnaz /Katherin/Craig/Brenna
- **Overview**
  - Land Acknowledgment
  - Minutes reviewed
  - Next Meeting: April 30th (and May 7th for Family Fun Night setup)
  - Discussion of Council Operations / School Council Forum
  - PA Days (report cards on June 9th)
  - Council Forum
  - Review of this year's events
- **Review of Agenda**
  - Minutes from the previous meeting will be sent out.
  - The next meeting is scheduled for May 14th, but has been changed to April 30th.
  - School Council Forum was discussed.

- **Finances and Budget**

- 21 Chromebooks were cost-shared with the school board.
- The current balance from food baskets and food sales is \$973.
- The current school council balance is \$2779.91.
- The balance will be reduced by graduation expenses.

- **Parent Reaching Out (PRO) Grant**

- The school is applying for a grant.
- The grant aims to address social inclusion, racism, hate, and discrimination; support identity affirmation; and engage parents and community voices.
- The deadline for the grant is unknown.
- The idea to partner with other schools for presenters was discussed.

- **School Events**

- Junior and Intermediate volleyball teams attended area tournaments.
- Intermediate girls' basketball finished second in the area.
- Intermediate boys' basketball finished first in the area.
- Chess team results were shared.
- Next tournament is April 10th and 11th.
- Junior basketball, badminton, and track and field are upcoming.
- Reach for the Top team missed a spot at regionals; they hosted a tournament with 16 schools. Rogers came in fifth out of 42 schools.
- The Terry Fox Run raised more than \$4,000.
- Upcoming events:
  - Primary Concert: April 3rd
  - Arts Night (Junior and Intermediate): April 10th
  - Track and Field Day: May 21st
  - Family Fun Night: May 22nd (tentative)
  - PA Day is June 9th (report card day).

- **Family Fun Night**

- The council meeting date was changed to April 30th, with an additional meeting on May 7th to finalize plans for the Family Fun Night.
- Raffle baskets will be part of the event.
- Each grade will be assigned a theme for the baskets (e.g., Grade 1 - Board Game Night, Arts and Crafts).
- Last year there were 56 baskets.
- The idea of having face painting done by high school arts program students was suggested.
- Other activities mentioned were soap making, cotton candy, and a candy stand.
- A student-teacher ball hockey game may be included.
- All students receive one ticket, and additional tickets are given for perishable food donations.

- **Professional Learning Communities (PLCs)**
  - Teachers are engaged in PLCs throughout the year.
  - Teachers are participating in professional learning focused on equity, inclusion, and building identity-affirming spaces.
  
- **Teacher Appreciation Lunch**
  - The council discussed organizing a teacher appreciation lunch.
  - They will investigate how other schools handle this.
  - Cash online was suggested as a way to collect funds.
  - June was suggested as a potential time for the lunch.
  
- **Miscellaneous**
  - The weekly newsletter (e-blast) keeps parents updated on school events.
  - A new TV has been installed in the hallway to display pictures.
  - The previous caretaker, Miss Kathy, retired.
  - A parent inquired about corporate-funded curriculum due to their son receiving dairy stickers. The school board does not allow corporate advertising.
  - Pita Pit is a new lunch option for students.
  - Volunteers are not needed for Healthy Hunger days.

Meeting Ended: 7:30 PM