

*Ralph McCall School Council &  
Friends of Ralph McCall Society  
MEETING MINUTES*



**2021-OCTOBER-12  
VIRTUAL ZOOM FORMAT**

**EXECUTIVE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Devon Blower – Council Chair, Friends Director  
Maria Overbeck – Member at Large, Friends President  
Ann-Marie Noreen – Community Liaison, Friends Treasurer  
Tabitha Caron – Council/Friends Secretary  
Kyla Desrosiers – Member at Large, Friends Director

**EXECUTIVE MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Ally Kunyi-Taylor – Council Vice-Chair, Friends Vice-President  
Bob Gautama – Member at Large, Friends Director

**RVS TRUSTEE PRESENT:**

None

**SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT:**

Nicola Tysowski – Principal  
Sarah Morrison – Assistant Principal

**ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES:**

Aftan Forrest – Trustee Candidate running for Election  
Rob Carpenter – parent  
Olya Shiko – parent  
Kristina Allen – parent  
Carlie Kroening – parent  
Stacey Doikas – parent

**RALPH MCCALL SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

1. **Call to Order** - Chair Devon Blower called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm.
2. **Approval of Agenda**  
Kyla approved the agenda as circulated. Maria seconded.
3. **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**  
Kyla approved the SEPTEMBER 2021 meeting minutes. Maria seconded.
4. **Administration Report - (Nicola Tysowski)**
  - **Land Acknowledgement:** Read aloud.
  - **Staffing Update:** A new learning commons facilitator, kindergarten teacher, and literacy support teacher have been hired.
  - **National Truth and Reconciliation Day/Orange Shirt Day:** Virtual school assembly was hosted. The slide show presentation that was shown to the students was also shared with council. All classes will also plant tulip bulbs this fall to recognize commitment to truth and reconciliation.
  - **RVS Reporting:** Normally, report cards would go home 3 times a year. RVS has over time changed to one report card in June, in digital format. The rest of the year, student learning is communicated through Power School. Grades are given as the following: Mastering, Advancing, Progressing, Emerging, Beginning, or Limited. Families access this info through Parent Portal. An information chart was shared with council on info on how this Real Time Reporting works for feedback before it is sent to the wider school community.
  - **Playbook:** In year 3 of 4 of RVS 4-year-plan. Use data to guide our plans. Data comes from Alberta Survey, RVS Survey, and data through school year (anecdotal, observational, etc.) Action plan then created. What's working well? What can be improved upon? Data shared, and input from council welcomed and received. Will continue this discussion next time...
  - **Parent-Teacher Conferences:** Info to follow. Will be held by Zoom or phone call.

**5. Trustee Presentation – (Aftan Forrest – Trustee Nominee)**

- With the election upcoming next week, there is not an official trustee report this month.
- Trustee Nominee, Aftan Forrest joins us tonight. She was a previous RVS student and has family members in RVS schools now. Aftan shared her views on a various topics important to RVS schools. Please contact her to learn more or with any questions.
- Vote on October 18<sup>th</sup>.

**6. Old Business**

- Community Engagement Subcommittee: Shout out to Ann-Marie for maintaining and engaging the parent community with the social media accounts. Meeting will be held every 6 weeks going forward.
- Colouring Contest: FOIP (Privacy Issues): General FOIP form sent to parents each year to give permission to post/share student work only to share student learning. A different FOIP form was needed to share the images of the colouring contest as it was not directly related to student curriculum outcomes. Contest was successful with many submissions. Devon will purchase the books to be given to the contest winners.

**7. New Business**

- Joint Board School Council Meeting – Set for November 25<sup>th</sup>. As of right now, it's still advertised as being in person. We generally like to have 2 members attend. More info to come. Contact Devon if you might be interested in attending.
- As Tabitha is becoming more and more pressed for time in the evenings, Ann-Marie has created a post to advertise for a new secretary. This will be posted to the Council/Friends social media pages in the near future.

**8. Chair Report – (Devon Blower)**

Nothing new at this time.

**9. Adjournment - Chair Devon Blower adjourned the meeting at 7:56 pm.**

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## FRIENDS OF RALPH MCCALL SOCIETY MEETING MINUTES – 2021-OCTOBER-12

1. **Call to Order** - President Maria Overbeck called the meeting to order at 7:56 pm.

2. **Approval of Agenda**

Devon approved the agenda as circulated. Ann-Marie seconded.

3. **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

Kyla approved the SEPTEMBER 2021 meeting minutes. Devon seconded.

4. **New Business**

- **Insurance Postage:** Voted last month to approve the insurance payment. Voted by email to approve the postage to send cheque (official motion to follow). Cheque was sent and received.
- **Healthy Hunger Hot Bags:** Voted by email to approve the cost of purchasing 5 hot bags to keep food warm during hot lunch days (official motion to follow).

5. **Old Business**

- **Admin Wish List:** Technology: Chrome books - \$7000 total, Raspberry Pie tech to help run the SGA TV - \$164.99 + GST. Basketball Hoops for outdoors - \$4832.10. Mathletics accounts - \$4400. IXL Math - \$400. Art Supplies - \$5000. Student Success Centre – Furniture \$107 + \$128 + GST and delivery.
  - Discussion on what the priorities are, how much funds we have available, upcoming fundraising, and views of all members.
  - Consensus to pay for the online Math accounts, art supplies, raspberry pie mini computer, and the basketball nets for now. Motions to follow. We will hold off on the furniture and the chromebooks for right now and will revisit later once we see how fundraising is going.
- Kyla will look into the account that we have at Cobbs.
- Fall Fundraiser. We are generally further along by now so in the future we may want to solidify plans by the end of the school year. Poinsettias is an option that we're interested in but the deadline to sign up is only a couple days away. Keep this idea for next year! Purdy's is an option, but has less return. Mom's Pantry is an option for this year. Kyla is open to taking the lead on setting up a Mom's Pantry fundraiser. Thanks, Kyla for taking this on!
- Healthy Hunger: Ready to start! One volunteer signed up; still need another. 200 confirmed orders for our first day this Friday.
- Ann-Marie will put social media posting about all of our 'small' fundraisers.

6. **Financial Business**

*Below are any new motions made at this time, but also any email motions made since the last meeting. Any motions made during the meeting are repeated here to keep everything together.*

- A) MOTION: MATH PROGRAM LICENCES:** Moved by Maria that the Friends of Ralph McCall Society approve the cost of \$4400.00 for Mathletics Licences and also the cost of \$400.00 for IXL Math Licences. *All present in favour. Motion carried.* Funds to come from the Casino Account.
- B) MOTION: POSTAGE:** Moved by Maria that the Friends of Ralph McCall Society approve the cost of \$23.84 for postage to mail the insurance cheque. *All present in favour. Motion carried.* Funds to come from the General Account.
- C) MOTION: HEALTHY HUNGER HOT BAGS:** Moved by Maria that the Friends of Ralph McCall Society approve the cost of \$192.10 for hot bags to help distribute Healthy Hunger Hot Lunches. *All present in favour. Motion carried.* Funds to come from the General Account.
- D) MOTION: RASPBERRY PIE TECH:** Moved by Maria that the Friends of Ralph McCall Society approve the cost of \$164.99 + tax for an admin requested Raspberry Pie mini computer to help run the TV in the SGA. *All present in favour. Motion carried.* Funds to come from the General Account.
- E) MOTION: BASKETBALL HOOPS:** Moved by Maria that the Friends of Ralph McCall Society approve the cost of \$4832.10 for an admin requested basketball hoops for outside. *All present in favour. Motion carried.* Funds to come from the Casino Account (Maria will verify first that these funds can indeed be used for this purpose.)

- F) **MOTION: ART SUPPLIES:** Moved by Maria that the Friends of Ralph McCall Society approve the cost of \$5000 for admin requested art supplies. *All present in favour.* **Motion carried.** Funds to come from the Casino Account. In order to pay from the Casino account, detailed receipts for all supplies bought will be required.
- G) **MOTION: COLOURING CONTEST PRIZES:** Moved by Maria that the Friends of Ralph McCall Society approve the cost of up to \$75.00 for the book prizes for our recent colouring contest. *All present in favour.* **Motion carried.** Funds to come from the General Account.
- o Note: Devon will purchase these books.

7. **Treasurer's Report - (Ann-Marie Noreen)**

**Financial Summary – Account Balances as of SEPTEMBER-30-2021.**

**MAIN/GENERAL ACCOUNT: \$14,819.44**

(This account is used for all fundraising, donations, etc. that is not tied to AGLC at all. Money can be spent on anything that council approves).

**CASINO ACCOUNT: \$15,893.00**

(Our last Casino was October 2018. Money from this was deposited in February 2019. AGLC rules apply.)  
(\$1,788.00 of these funds were deposited in April 2019 from the Spring Dance. AGLC rules apply.)

**\*NOTE: Spending Extension:** AGLC funds normally have to be spent within 2 years of deposit. In December 2020, we asked for an extension to spend the Casino funds that would normally need to be spent by Feb 2021. A special COVID-19 code was applied, allowing us to carry all current gaming funds over past the regular 24-month spending period. This temporary code will expire on December 23, 2021. All current gaming funds now have to be spent by Dec 23, 2021 unless further permission is granted for an extension.

**RAFFLE TRIP ACCOUNT SCHOOL: (Travel Raffle 2016-2017): \$0.18**

(This account was used to hold the school's portion of proceeds from the travel raffle. We did not have enough cheques to use the money so once prizes were paid out this money was moved to the Prize Winner Account. The money currently in this account is just earned interest).

**RAFFLE TRIP ACCOUNT PRIZE WINNERS: (Travel Raffle 2016-2017): \$0.00**

(The "Prize Winner" account is actually for the school to use. All prizes have been paid. The money from the school account was transferred to the Prize Winner account so that we could write cheques from it. This money was spent in January 2019. AGLC rules apply.)

**Cash Calendar Account (Cash Calendar 2017-2018): \$0.00**

(This money was spent in June 2019. AGLC spending rules apply.)

**Recent Transaction Activity:**

- Grade level donation cheque – General Account: \$5,000
- Insurance Payment cheque – General Account: \$900
- pending payments: Treasurer Supplies (up to \$50) and Colouring Contest Prizes (up to \$75)

8. **Adjournment**

President Maria Overbeck adjourned the meeting at 8:59 pm.

**NEXT MEETING: NOVEMBER-09-2021 at 6:30pm by Zoom format.**

**2021-2022 Upcoming Meeting Dates:**

November 9 – December 14 – January 11 – February  
8 – March 8 – May 12 – June 10