

CAA School Council Meeting Minutes

February 7, 2023

Attendance CAA Administration:

Kimberly Hoey, Principal
Juleta Severson-Baker, Assistant Principal

Executive Member Attendance:

Natalie Lau, President
Carla Christie, Treasurer
Blythe Butler, Director of Governance
Dallal Taylor, Co-Vice Chair
Nicole Hemphill, Co-Vice Chair
Katie McCammon, Secretary

School Council members present 6

Total parent attendance: See Chat Log

Quorum established. (Quorum minimum = 4 School Council members, including at least 2 executive members)

1. Welcome and Call to order

Meeting called to order by Natalie Lau at 6:35 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Natalie Lau motioned to approve the agenda. Nicole Hemphill seconded the motion. Agenda approved.

3. Approval of Minutes from January 10, 2023

Natalie Lau motioned to approve the minutes. Nicole Hemphill seconded the motion. Minutes approved.

4. Chairpersons Report - Natalie Lau

- Family registration is open now until March 1 - half of the fees are due. This will hold your spot as there will be new enrollments.
- Board Chair Ken - curious about what parent's educational priorities are (concern in the past about new curriculum). May send a survey out for the next newsletter to hear parents' thoughts. Carrie Cemka wondering what would be included i.e. How content is delivered? Priorities before moving into the provincial election. Kimberly Hoey - if you have no clue what to say, that's okay! Kids at CAA have a more creative/ open way of learning. Chat mentioned practical life skills, financial skills, Juleta from CAA high school mentioned Career & Life Skills is mandatory for Alberta students' in Year 10/11.

5. Principal's Report

Assistant Principal - Juleta Severson-Baker

- Working with the first Year 12 students. Currently 47 high school students. Diploma exams for Math and Social Studies for Year 12. High school is going very well. 30 applicants for high school, they audition and then are reviewed and accepted.
- Year 9's go through an audition and interview to be accepted into our high school - opportunity to show why they want to continue and really commit to CAA, to see what kids are very passionate about arts, gives them some independence and maturity to showcase what art forms they are passionate about.
- Currently no High school sports team due to lack of interest.
- Working with Year 9's for lunch & learn to learn about high school; how to set them up for success, time management, make good friends, etc.
- Boys' basketball wraps up this week.
- Year 8/9 showcase on February 15 on architecture; professionals' architects and interior designers are coming to judge their designs!
- Parent Question: Who is in charge or teaching about Indigenous Materials?
- Teaching Quality Standard in Alberta - every teacher needs to be able to teach Indigenous knowledge and lessons. Have specific PD days to learn from Indigenous Elders and Leaders.
- Adrian Goulet provided teaching through arts, dance this year. Always open to making more connections with Indigenous Leaders/ Teachers.

Principal - Kimberly Hoey

- Pink shirt day should be February 27 but we are on break. We are changing it to February 17 and will have an assembly.
- Kindness week next week - spirit club chose a whole school circle meeting and whole school outside play time.
- Fine Arts Multi-Aging (FAMA) - fine arts & multi-age groups - explore the school and each of the 5 fine arts. Kindies went to visit the 6/7s and designed skateboards parks
- Grant - Connect Charter School has applied for a mental health & wellness grant and needed a partner school, they chose us! It will run for two years. Because they are an outdoor education facility, the grant is for enhancing mental health and wellness through outdoor education and to build teacher capacity in teaching mental skills to students. Resource Online - Open Parachute.
- Two Report cards next year- January & June; redesigned for more information. We will still have our Google platforms for ongoing communication. Conference times will remain the same.
- AERR and Ed Plan - had a staff meeting to discuss PAT results - overall we are at provincial average. Province just released them in early January. Michelle will speak to this more in the future.
- Current families want to visit other campuses. March 23 & 24 maybe- open house so any current family can visit the other campus. Get to tour and look around on your own. Knob Hill will have a book fair at that time, maybe Rosscarrock as well.

6. Updates and Topics

- Water bottles approved from last meeting have been delivered.
- Home Alone & ADHD Courses completed this last week. Feedback for ADHD course - great course. Would run it again if there was more interest. E-mail council and it will be set up again. Thank you to Tammy for teaching the Home Alone course. Home Alone and Babysitting just once per year.

7. Calendar of Events

- Pick up fill your freezer - pick up next Friday before the break. NEED to pick up or it will be left at the school all break.
- Babysitting course - March 25 and 26, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for 2 full days.
- Staff appreciation lunch - March 17 lunch, asking parents to bring in food, big potluck. Will have a sign-up sheet; salads, apps, mains, desserts, drinks, as well as set up and take down. Will come out in the next few newsletters.
** Some gluten free/ celiac staff members- will get more concrete info regarding staff diet restrictions.

8. Adjournment

Natalie Lau adjourned the meeting at 6:56 p.m.

The next School Council Society meeting will be held over Zoom on **March 7, 2023**, at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. Please join us.

Appendix – Zoom Chat Record from CAA Council Meeting

18:25:24 From Calgary Arts Academy to Waiting Room Participants: Welcome! We will open the meeting just before 6:30

18:32:09 From Dallal to Everyone: Dallal Taylor

18:32:17 From Carrie Cemka to Everyone: Carrie Cemka

18:32:19 From Silvana to Everyone: Silvana Rodriguez

18:32:26 From Tom Loughheed to Everyone: Thomas Loughheed

18:32:28 From Tawna moura to Everyone: Tawna Moura

18:32:48 From Calgary Arts Academy to Everyone: Blythe Butler

18:32:54 From Justin Smale to Everyone: Justin Smale

18:33:02 From Lauren Brotman to Everyone: Lauren Brotman

18:33:06 From Jessica Thorburn (she/her) to Everyone: Jessica Thorburn

18:33:09 From Paul Reynen to Everyone: Paul Reynen, Adelaide Reynen father

18:33:09 From Tanis to Everyone: Tanis Reuter

18:33:12 From Nicole Hemphill to Everyone: Nicole Hemphill

18:33:20 From Sandra McNeil to Everyone: Sandra McNeil (Skye McDonald)

18:33:25 From Carla to Everyone: Carla Christie

18:33:28 From Cory Whitecap to Everyone: Hello from Cory Whitecap (Willow and Seneca Whitecap's dad)

18:33:45 From Gwen to Everyone: Gwen Piedad

18:35:11 From Calgary Arts Academy to Everyone: Call to order 6:35 PM

18:35:27 From Calgary Arts Academy to Everyone: Approval of Agenda: Nat motion, Nicole Hemphill second

18:35:47 From Calgary Arts Academy to Everyone: Approval of minutes for January, seconded Nicole Hemphill

18:36:09 From Bonnie Smart to Everyone: Bonnie Smart

18:36:56 From Calgary Arts Academy to Everyone: Hi everyone, if you haven't added your name to the chat please do so we can track attendance.

18:37:10 From Adam to Everyone: Adam Trinh

18:37:17 From T Wenzel to Everyone: Tammy Wenzel

18:37:20 From nicola to Everyone: Nicola Chapman

18:37:38 From erinwright to Everyone: Erin Wright

18:38:52 From Juleta Severson-Baker to Everyone: Hi all - yes, I'm here!

18:38:54 From Sandra McNeil to Everyone: Indigenous ways of knowing based on local Treaty 7 elder teachings.

18:39:10 From Juleta Severson-Baker to Everyone: Juleta Severson-Baker - Assistant Principal at the EC

18:39:49 From T Wenzel to Everyone: mental health awareness and tools

18:40:57 From Cory Whitecap to Everyone: Real life personal financial education (budgeting, and other financial education to prepare them for the real world - junior high/high school level)

18:41:37 From Tawna moura to Everyone: I would love to see home ec type classes in junior and senior high as options- cooking, baking, sewing etc. practical life skills for high school level like budgeting, taxes, how to write resumes and conduct a job interviews etc

18:41:49 From Carrie Cemka to Everyone: Class sizes

18:42:15 From Cory Whitecap to Everyone: I'm curious who is teaching the Indigenous component of what students are learning

18:42:50 From T Wenzel to Everyone: oh second that idea on jr high and high school idea about life skills and financial skills

18:43:22 From T Wenzel to Everyone: also am not a fan of Jump Math at all

18:43:29 From Cory Whitecap to Everyone: More interactive and immersive learning is what I'm understanding from what Lauren is saying

18:43:30 From Carrie Cemka to Everyone: I third was Cory said.

18:44:03 From nicola to Everyone: Reacted to "I would love to see â€¦" with ðŸ’œ

18:44:22 From Calgary Arts Academy to Everyone: CALM

18:44:26 From Cory Whitecap to Everyone: When I suggest personal financial education, I am also referring to understanding investing, how investing impacts personal finances, and how to be "money smart"

18:44:50 From Justin Smale to Everyone: More physical education. 45 mins every two days is not enough activity for kids (speaking from Ross Carrock)

18:45:05 From Cory Whitecap to Everyone: I also heard there was an entrepreneurial intro course available. Is that still a thing?

18:45:19 From Carrie Cemka to Everyone: Career Days

18:45:32 From Cory Whitecap to Everyone: I would also like to know if the school would be into educating children on the impact of addiction

18:45:57 From Rhonda to Everyone: Rhonda Manning

18:46:05 From Cory Whitecap to Everyone: I heard something prior to my kids entering the school, so that is why I am asking

18:46:57 From River Jordan Easton to Everyone: It seems important to focus on the financial side of arts so we have less starving artists.

18:47:08 From Cory Whitecap to Everyone: I think that clarifies what I'm asking, thank you

18:47:23 From Lauren Brotman to Everyone: yes! arts admin is lucrative

18:49:46 From nicola to Everyone: Are grade nine students not automatically excepted in to High School at CAA?!

18:51:17 From nicola to Everyone: Ok - thank you for clarifying!

18:52:16 From emma to Everyone: Are there other sports teams at the high school level?

18:53:07 From emma to Everyone: Oh okay great, thanks!

18:54:34 From Thomas Lougheed to Everyone: Sorry to interrupt, I'm going to be disconnected temporarily, but I will be rejoining shortly, thanks ðŸ™‚,

18:55:42 From Cory Whitecap to Everyone: My WiFi is unstable as well, so if I get booted I will request to join again

18:56:02 From Juleta Severson-Baker to Everyone: I love that! Yay, Knob Hill!