

COPPERFIELD SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

February 18th @ 6:30pm

Attendees

Domi Dmowski, Kari Fuller, Brooke Gabris, Allyson Heggie, Kathy Holdaway, Jacquelyn Lupton, Jennifer Mann, Charlene May, Ric McIver, Allison Nette, Colette Pedde, Kelli Pring, Vivi Rains, Madison Roberts, Lisa White

Agenda

1. Welcome and call to order at 6:34pm

1.1. Verification of quorum

1.2. Introduction of board members

Chair: Jenn M

Vice Chair: Kelli P

Secretary: Ryan (absent)

Volunteer Coordinator: Kari F

1.3. Land Acknowledgement by Colette Pedde

1.4. Welcome of Special Guests Ric McIver (MLA) and Charlene May (School Trustee)

2. "Townhall" Questions with Special Guests

2.1. When will we see the additional EAs for classroom complexities in schools?

2.2. Have schools been told if they are allowed to be hiring and if they have been told that they are starting to hire?

2.3 Where are you going to find the people? Is it left up to the CBE for the hiring process?

2.4 Is there a plan to help mitigate the sub shortage if individuals are being pulled for the committees?

2.5 Has it been decided which 118 schools are getting a complexity team? Is each of those schools doing the hiring of that team? MODIFIED: So the 118 schools have been chosen, but 38 may be changed? Were special education classrooms with much lower ratios, and private schools included in those averages?

2.6 In light of recent events, we only have one security camera on the front door, is that enough?

2.7 What is one education policy you believe needs to be changed and how can it be changed?

2.8 Where did the 36min for lunch come from; it used to be 45mins

2.9 Ric, how can you help keep every child safe at school pick up times?

3. Review of the Minutes January 2026

3.1. Motion to approve by Jenn

3.2. Kelli seconds

4. Principal's Report

4.1. Career Day had 17 wonderful parent volunteers

4.2. Intervention Groups created to help with literacy

Grade 1 covers 40 students

Grade 2 covers 30 students

Grade 3 covers 15 students

Grant money has been used to hire a dedicated EA to help students with literacy.

4.3. Olympics in the Classrooms

Shared and celebrated the work/activities of students across various grades

4.4.Hug and Go

Has been very successful with a minimum of 20 drop-offs every morning and reducing the number of lates

Bylaw approved moving the bus zone up, which allows more space for the hug and go zone

Seen a decline in late arrivals

School has 2 teachers at the crosswalk to ensure traffic flow

Keep going

Kelli raises concern over jaywalking on the NW side of the teachers' parking lot

5. Volunteer Update

5.1. Fun lunches and fun snacks have 4-6 volunteers to make things run

6. ASCE - \$500 grant

6.1. Brainstorming where to spend the money though there is a rule it can't be used on food/beverage

6.2. Jacqueline's idea is child minding for council meetings

6.3. Jenn's idea is for yoga in the park event in the spring

7. Wishlist Items

7.1. XS Copperfield School t-shirts to sell at kindergarten orientation (approved)

7.2. Read-a-thon prizes (approved in the online chat)

7.3 Colette doesn't feel we need extra sign boards for parking at this time

8. Secretary Resigns

8.1. Ryan sent letter of resignation to council in online chat

8.2. Lisa White will take on secretary role

9. Addition of extra meeting in March due to cancelled meeting in October per strike action

9.1. Meeting proposed for March 18, 2026 at 6:30pm

9.2. Jenn motions, Kelli seconds

10. Adjournment at 8:07pm