



RT Alderman School Council

In-Person Meeting

June 10, 2026

5:30pm - 6:30pm

Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Brenda Lewis, Kirk Newman, Jennifer Laight, Lisa McBain, Lindsey Otterson, Ashlin Russel, Danyelle Kaluski, Julie, Crystal Schatz

Meeting Minutes	Presenter
Call to Order/Quorum (1 minute) Call to order: 5:34pm	Ashlin
Welcome and Introductions (5 minutes)	Ashlin
Review/Approval of the Agenda (1 minute) Motion: Lindsay Otterson Second: Jennifer Laight	Ashlin
Review and Approval of last meeting minutes (1 minute) Motion: Jennifer Laight Second: Lisa McBain	Ashlin
Principal Report (30 minutes) 1. School Updates a. New funding i. Schools have been provided funding to address classroom complexity specifically class size ii. RT has received funding for one new Grade 5 and one new Grade 6 teacher allowing for class sizes of 25-26 students in Grade 5 and 6 next year. iii. Grade 5 will have 6 classes and Grade 6 will have 5 classes iv. The student population will remain the same. v. Three teacher postings for the school - these two new teachers and Ms. MacPherson is retiring. b. Program updates i. Ms. Lewis shared upcoming school events.	Brenda/ Kirk

ii. Every year each school within CBE is asked to make a Truth and Reconciliation commitment. This is the 10th year this has been done. This year schools were asked to do a 5 year look back on what is being done and what has been successful. Mr. Newman shared the highlights from the findings. Questions from the room: - Will the school be piloting the new Grade 7-9 curriculum? - Schools have to apply to be chosen for the new curriculum. Given RT was anticipating having new teachers in those grades so they chose not to apply to be part of the pilot this year. Ashlin shared that the Parent Association received very positive feedback about the presentation that Mr. Lee gave at the past meeting. Suggestion provided for this type of presentation from teachers to continue for meetings next year. Week at a Glance on the website does contain pictures from weekly events. Discussion around how to continue to improve parent engagement including better communication of meetings dates and the proposed agenda to the meeting. Jennifer shared that having the intramurals and clubs open to the Grade 5 and 6 students this year was very much appreciated this year. Improved STEM challenges have also received much positive feedback.	
Chair Report (5 Minutes) 1. Ideas for school residencies, opportunities and learning sessions for students and families 2. We encourage families to connect with us: rtaparentsociety@gmail.com or instagram @rtaschoolpta	Ashlin
Next Meeting: ● September 16, 2026 Additional Meetings Dates for Next Year: ● October 14, 2026 - AGM	Ashlin

● November 18, 2026 ● January 13, 2027 ● March 10, 2027 ● April 14, 2027 ● May 12, 2027 ● June 16, 2027	
Meeting Adjournment: 6:16pm	