



MVSC Meeting Minutes

Draft September 10, 2025

September 10, 2025 - 6:30 pm Virtual Meeting

Members must be present to vote. Proxies are not permitted.

* Indicates items for which a written document will be provided on the Mount View "School Council" Page or attached to the end of meeting minutes.

1. CALL TO ORDER

- 1.1. Meeting called to order by Alissa Bergsma at 6:30 pm
- 1.2. Verification of quorum - quorum has been met.
- 1.3. Attendees (typed into chat or spoken):

Parents:	Staff:	Others:
Lindsey Snyder Alissa Bergsma Ryan Boyle Dustin Dunlop Erik Johannesson Claire Neily Heather Gummo Melissa Cavanagh Jacqueline Wanvig	Larysa Hart Allyson Heggie	

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

- 2.1. Land acknowledgment given by Allyson Heggie

3. *REVIEW OF THE AGENDA AND RULES OF ORDER

- 3.1. Alissa Bergsma shared the agenda for this evening.
- 3.2. Alissa Bergsma shared the rules of order for the MVSC
- 3.3. The agenda and Rules of Order are posted on the school website (*find link*)

4. NEW CHAIRS

- 4.1. Lindsey Snyder made a motion to approve the new chairs, Dustin and Alissa
- 4.2. Ryan Boyle seconded the motion

MOTION CARRIED



5. *APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING, AS PRESENTED (OR AS AMENDED)

- 5.1. Alissa Bergsma made a motion to approve the March meeting minutes.
- 5.2. Melissa Cavanagh seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED

6. WHAT IS SCHOOL COUNCIL AND HOW DOES IT OPERATE

- 6.1. Still looking for more people to fill the remaining roles in school council.
 - 6.1.1. Volunteers needed for upcoming events, as well as various other roles
- 6.2. Recommendation was made to hand SC bulletin board back to school for their use. Decision was made to share between school and council
- 6.3. Volunteer needed for winter food drive – can get a volunteer through our email list, won't be doing that until December
- 6.4. Lindsay Cain is doing Healthy Hunger this year, but a successor needs to be trained. Fun lunches are all set up for the year.
- 6.5. Lindsay Cain also leads the planning of the Mackie Party. Lindsay will work with a group again to plan this year's party.
- 6.6. At this point, there is no one in the role of organizing biweekly staff treats. Confirmation needed on whether Katherine Parsons is taking that role this year. SignUp Genius needs to be set up. Traditionally, the Volunteer Coordinator did this, but currently the volunteer coordinator role is vacant.
- 6.7. Staff appreciation gift - two years ago we had gifts donated but we didn't have volunteer capacity to do that last year. Lindsay Snyder organized the teacher gifts the last two years.
 - 6.7.1. Lindsay Cain has a contact who can provide contact information for donations for gifts.
 - 6.7.2. Suggestion was made to get parents to donate a small amount (\$2-\$5) to buy something better for teachers
- 6.8. Lindsay Snyder will continue to deal with school merchandise. Deadline is September 19 for this year's order.
- 6.9. Katherine Parsons will continue to do the school sign

7. TEACHER REPORT – ALLYSON HEGGIE

7.1. Allyson is both Assistant Principal and Kindergarten teacher this year

WEEKLY GLANCE					
-foundational literacy and numeracy -science and social studies -cooperation, teamwork while growing and learning together	TIME	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
	8:47-9:00	Welcome, soft start	Welcome, soft start	Welcome, soft start	Welcome, soft start
	9:00-9:30	Literacy - Story, Songs, Phon Awareness	LC	Mme. B, pull for assessments	Literacy - Story, Songs, Phon Awareness
	9:30-10:00	Numeracy - Whole Group and Games	Numeracy - Whole Group and Games	Numeracy - Whole Group and Games	Numeracy - Whole Group and Games
	10:00-10:30	Snack & Bathroom	Snack & Bathroom	Snack & Bathroom	Snack & Bathroom
	10:30-10:45	Gym	Gym	Gym	Gym
	10:45-11:15	Learning Centres - Play Based	Learning Centres - Play Based	Learning Centres - Play Based	Learning Centres - Play Based
	11:15-11:25	Agenda / Get ready for home			



7.2.

7.2.1. Kids do Lego and playdough on the mushroom table. They love the kitchen. In the top right is a reading nook

7.3. 19 kids in the class, which is typical. Generally, a few more students enroll before Christmas.

8. PRINCIPAL REPORT – Larysa Hart

8.1. Larysa shared some updates.

8.1.1. The theme this year is building community and connection – setting up opportunities for students, staff and community to connect.

8.1.2. Rooms facing the compound have new window coverings to help with temperature control

8.1.3. New learning spaces – revamping of classrooms. Music room is now kindergarten room – space is bigger, fresh air, room has a skylight, better lighting. More opportunities for play based learning.

8.1.4. Kindergarten room is now learning hub – teachers can bring students and do small group instructions. Sensory tools, decodable books and literacy



tools are available there. Teachers can gather in there and students can come together from different classrooms. A great place to build community.

8.1.5. New teachers

8.1.5.1. Alicia Hutton – grade 1/2

8.1.5.2. Joanne Cudmore – Grade 3/4

8.1.5.3. Liam Rodgers – Grade 5/6

8.1.6. School development plan – continuing work from last year

8.1.6.1. Literacy focus on robust universal instruction for reading and writing

8.1.7. Buddies will continue on Fridays – kids have an opportunity to connect and teachers can spell each other off.

8.1.8. There is no dedicated music teacher this year. There will be opportunities for residencies and for teachers to incorporate music in day-to-day instruction.

8.1.9. Upcoming dates:

8.1.9.1. Terry Fox Run – September 24

8.1.9.2. Winter celebration – December 11

8.1.10. Change in lunch routine – with later start and students' greater capacity to learn in the morning, morning learning block is longer. During lunch, there is 20 minutes of eating and 20 minutes of play. The results so far have been very positive. There have been less lunch time incidents, students are sharing and playing better on equipment. It has also been easier to facilitate soccer with smaller groups.

8.1.11. On Fridays, teachers are looking for an opportunity to give kids an opportunity to eat during read alouds or other hands-off opportunities

9. ADJOURN

9.1. Any new agenda items can be emailed to mountviewschoolcouncil@gmail.com.

9.2. Next School Council meeting will be on October 8, 2025, at 6:30 pm.

9.3. Meeting adjourned by Alissa Bergsma at 7:36 pm.