



MVSC Meeting Minutes

Draft March 11, 2026

March 11, 2026 - 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 6:31 pm
- 1.2. Verification of quorum - quorum has been met.
- 1.3. Attendees (typed into chat or spoken):

Parents: Alissa Bergsma Dustin Dunlop Heather Gummo Melissa Cavanagh Lindsay Snyder Dana Lee	Staff: Larysa Hart Emily Thompson Robyn Drinkwater Hanna Burger
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2. *REVIEW OF THE AGENDA

- 2.1. Alissa Bergsma shared the agenda for this evening.


3. *APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING, AS PRESENTED

- 3.1. Alissa Bergsma made a motion to approve the February meeting minutes.
- 3.2. Melissa Cavanagh seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED

4. TEACHERS' REPORT – Emily Thompson and Hanna Burger

Meet the Physical Education Teacher
Ms. Burger



Hello!
My name is Hanna Burger and I am the Physical Education Teacher at Mount View School. I am passionate about learning and movement.


Looking forward to a great year.

Who am I?
When I am not at school, you can find me anywhere outside. I love spending time with my two daughters, either hiking, biking, or skiing.

Ms. Burger loves..
-family
-friends
-camping
-painting
-pottery
-running
-biking
-hiking
-skiing
-traveling
-wildflowers
-mountains
-icecream

Please contact me via email at hmburger@cbe.ab.ca or by phone at 403-777-6300

Meet the Grade 3/4 Teacher
Ms Thompson



Hello!
My name is Emily Thompson and I am so excited to teach grade 3/4 this year! This is my 11th year teaching and I am passionate about creating a safe classroom where all students can learn and feel supported!

Who Am I?
When I am not at school, you can find me spending time with my family, curling up with a good book (and my cats!), enjoying a hot bubble bath, or sewing up a quilt!



Ms Thompson loves...
-Her two cats, Noboru & Tamago
-Japanese food
-Giant mugs of hot tea
-Travelling
-Gardening
-Finding a good book!

Contact
You can contact me at emthompson@cbe.ab.ca or by calling the school at 403-777-6300

4.1. Hanna Burger - Physical Education

4.1.1. Many PE activities are supported by school council

A FEW PHOTOS


Meaningful Physical Education

Special Activities

- Curling rentals (Thanks Parent Council!)
- Alien in Line Skating (Thanks Parent Council!)
- Lacross (Elev8 2 free days)
- Sound Kreation (Thanks Parent Council!)
- SOGO orienteering running(Thanks Parent Council!)
- Swimming Lessons Renfrew Pool (Thanks Parent Council!)

Lunch Time

- Handball Oct-Nov for Grades 5 and 6
- Yoga Jan – March
- Run Club Sept and June
- Jays Care Baseball April -June

Special Events

- Terry Fox Run
- Jump Rope for Heart
- Activity Day in June

Learning on The Land
Confederation Park
May 14th



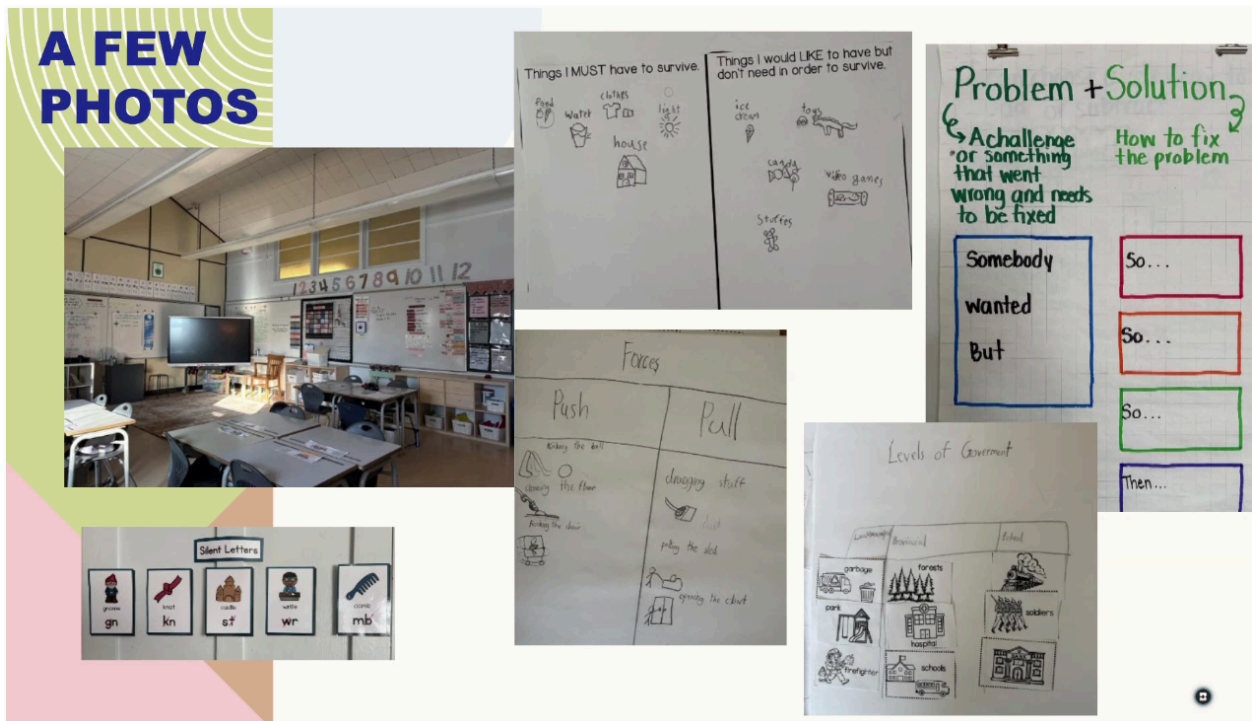
- 4.1.2. More information on Jump Rope for Heart to come shortly
- 4.1.3. Learning on the Land - all school activity at Confederation Park happening on May 14th. Parent volunteers will be needed for this day.
- 4.1.4. Lunch activities are available to students whenever they want to show up. Often activities are student-driven

4.2. Emily Thompson - Grade 2/3

- 4.2.1. Emily is also a learning leader supporting students in other classes
- 4.2.2. A typical schedule in Ms. Thompson’s class

	TIME	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
WEEKLY GLA - foundational literacy and numeracy - science and social studies - cooperation, teamwork and community building while growing and learning together	8:47-9:15	Morning work/Sharing circle/checking in			
	9:15-10:15	Numeracy	Numeracy	Numeracy	Numeracy
	10:15-10:30	Muscle Math	Muscle Math	Muscle Math	Muscle Math
	10:30-10:45	Snack/read aloud	Snack/read aloud	Snack/read aloud	Snack/read aloud
	10:45-11:00	Recess	Recess	Recess	Recess
	11:00-11:30	UFLI (Reading foundations)	UFLI (Reading foundations)	UFLI (Reading foundations)	UFLI (Reading foundations)
	11:30-12:00	Literacy	Literacy	Literacy	Literacy
	12:00-12:30	Literacy	Literacy	Literacy	Literacy
	12:30-1:10				
	1:15-1:30	Reading	Reading	Reading	Reading
	1:30-2:30	Sci/Social	Sci/Social	Sci/Social	Sci/Social
	2:30-3:10	Phys Ed	Phys Ed	Phys Ed	Phys Ed
	3:10-3:17	Agenda	Agenda	Agenda	Agenda

4.2.3. A few photos of learning in Ms. Thompson’s class



5. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – Larysa Hart

5.1. Safety and facility update

5.1.1. Having issues with doors sticking

5.1.2. Teacher carts and storage materials were purchased with money from school council

5.1.3. Fire drill happened this month. Three more will happen before the end of the year

5.1.4. A safety audit took place this month - ensuring that processes for safety are in place and everyone feels welcomed and a sense of belonging

5.2. Staffing Update

5.2.1. New EA primarily supporting Grade 1/2 and PE - Kelli Pring

5.3. School Development Plan

5.3.1. The School Development Plan guides ongoing assessment at Mount View School. It is the driver for closing learning gaps and informs:

5.3.1.1. Instructional strategies

5.3.1.2. Professional learning

5.3.1.3. School structures and processes for learning

5.3.1.4. Resources to improve student learning

5.3.1.5. Decision making

5.3.2. Actions to support School Development Plan



School Development Plan – Actions

<p>Learning Excellence Actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow clear scope and sequence Explicit teaching of fluency strategies Provide access to manipulatives 	<p>Well-Being Actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clearly display learning expectations for all learners Use goal setting and self-assessment Use clear and consistent routines 	<p>Truth & Reconciliation, Diversity and Inclusion Actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Know learners cultural background, life experiences, and learning needs Provide multiple entry points for tasks to encourage risk taking
<p>Professional Learning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> School based ELA/ELAL professional learning System Assessment Professional Learning 	<p>Structures and Processes</p> <p>Classroom:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Common routines, tasks, assessments <p>School:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PLC, Collaborative Response, Collaboration with colleagues 	<p>Resources</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ELAL & Mathematics Scope & Sequence ELA/ELAL Insite Teaching Practices MathUP UFLI

5.3.3. Data for monitoring progress

- 5.3.3.1. Biweekly UFLI check ins - around literacy and reading
- 5.3.3.2. MathUp checkins
- 5.3.3.3. EAL (English as an Additional Language) Benchmarking
- 5.3.3.4. Teacher Perception Data

5.4. School Budget

- 5.4.1. Received 1,734,831 in 2025-26
- 5.4.2. At least 75% of the budget must go to staffing. The remainder covers instructional and operational supplies
- 5.4.3. Council helps support with activities that require extra fees, including field trips, artists in residence etc
- 5.4.4. The guide to school fees can be found [here](#)
- 5.4.5. Mount View School fees can be found [here](#)

5.5. Class/Grade Information

- 5.5.1. Celebrating writing at MVS - this will be showcased at student-led conferences in April
- 5.5.2. Small group interventions - Ms Drinkwater is covering in learning leaders' classrooms so that they can support students in different ways

5.6. School-Wide Initiatives

- 5.6.1. Layers of Literacy, funded by council, has been a helpful and unifying experience for teachers

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1. Grant Writing

- 6.1.1. Larysa met with grant coordinator who suggested grants for outdoor improvements including a shed and additional trees



- 6.1.2. A parent committee will be formed moving forward to coordinate writing of grants
 - 6.1.3. Larysa suggested the possibility of coordinating with folks in charge of Monroe Park updates to see if there could be any sharing of resources
 - 6.2. Layers of Literacy Event
 - 6.2.1. Roughly 30 adults attended March event
 - 6.2.2. Next session is planned for April 16th with a similar format
 - 6.3. Family Trivia Night - March 16th
 - 6.4. School Council Newsletter
 - 6.4.1. Newsletter was sent out on the week of March 2nd
 - 6.4.2. Dustin is leading this. Aim is to distribute newsletter on the first week of the month
 - 6.4.3. Any suggestions for content are welcome
 - 6.5. Year End Party ideas and planning
 - 6.5.1. Year end party (Mackie Party) will take place on May 28th at WHMCA Hall
 - 6.6. ASCA - AGM and Symposium Apr 25/26. Credential voting form/proxy voting form due April 10
 - 6.6.1. Votes will be discussed at April 8th meeting
 - 6.7. Meeting minutes will now be reviewed by core group of council and HSA members. Final versions will be posted to the website
 - 6.8. Staff appreciation and teacher snacks
 - 6.8.1. Sign ups for this have fallen off. Melissa will include a link to this signup more regularly in the emails
7. ADJOURN
- 7.1. Any new agenda items can be emailed to mountviewschoolcouncil@gmail.com.
 - 7.2. Next School Council meeting will be on April 8, 2026 at 6:30 pm.
 - 7.3. Meeting adjourned by Alissa Bergsma at 7:54 PM.