



## MVSC Meeting Minutes

Draft January 14, 2026

### January 14, 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 Dustin Dunlop at 6:31 pm
- 1.2. Verification of quorum - quorum has been met.
- 1.3. Attendees (typed into chat or spoken):

<b>Parents:</b> Dustin Dunlop Alissa Bergsma Vicky Vo Heather Gummo Melissa Cavanagh Lindsay Snyder Lindsay Cain	<b>Staff:</b> Larysa Hart Robin Drinkwater Alicia Hutton Christine Baker
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#### 2. \*REVIEW OF THE AGENDA

- 2.1. Dustin Dunlop shared the agenda for this evening.

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

- 3.1. Dustin Dunlop made a motion to approve the November meeting minutes.
- 3.2. Melissa Cavanagh seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED

#### 4. TEACHERS' REPORT – Christine Baker and Alicia Hutton

- 4.1. Christine and Alicia make up the Grade 1/2 teaching team

4.2. Christine shared their general weekly schedule

## WEEKLY GLANCE

-foundational literacy and numeracy  
-science and social studies  
-cooperation, teamwork while growing and learning together

	Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Supervision	8:36-8:46					
Soft Entry Bell	8:44					
	8:46-9:05	MORNING ROUTINE				
SUPPORT*	9:05-9:45	UFLI	UFLI	UFLI	UFLI	UFLI
	9:45-9:50	Body Break	Body Break	Body Break	Body Break	Body Break
	9:50-10:15	Writing	Writing	Writing	Writing	Calendar
	10:15-10:30	Discovery	Discovery	Discovery	Discovery	Math
	10:30-10:45	SNACK				
Soft Entry Bell	10:45-11:00	RECESS				
	11:00-11:10	Calm Down	Calm Down	Calm Down	Calm Down	Calm Down
	11:10-11:20	Calendar	Calendar	Calendar	Calendar	Buddies
SUPPORT*	11:20-12:20	Math	Math	Math	Math	Art
	12:20-12:30	Math Talk	Math Talk	Math Talk	Math Talk	Gym
	12:30-12:50	EAT LUNCH				
	12:50-1:10	LUNCH RECESS				
	1:08					
Soft Entry Bell	1:10-1:15	Read Aloud	Read Aloud	Read Aloud	Read Aloud	
	1:15-1:50	SS / Science	SS / Science	SS / Science	SS / Science/Music	
	1:50-2:30	Gym	Gym	Gym	Gym	
	2:30-2:45	DEAR	DEAR	DEAR	DEAR	
	2:45-3:17	Discovery	Discovery	Discovery	Discovery	

- 4.2.1. Grade 1s and 2s separate for UFLI
- 4.2.2. DEAR = Drop Everything And Read
- 4.2.3. Music has started with Ms. Drinkwater

4.3. UFLI



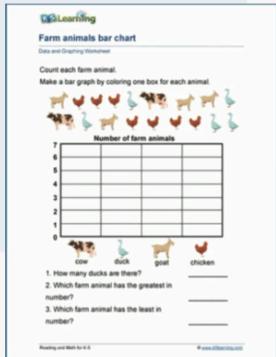
The screenshot shows several UFLI activity cards:

- Phonemic Awareness:** Includes an ear icon, hand signs for /sh/ and /sh/, and a sheep icon with the word 'sh'.
- Blending Drill:** A card with a question mark and the word 'cat' with colored dots representing the letters.
- Let's read together:** A card with the words 'shop', 'shut', 'shell', 'shock', 'fish', and 'dish' arranged in two columns.
- Irregular Words:** A card with the word 'said' and a small graphic.
- Snacks for the Pets:** A card with a reading passage about a girl named Beth and her pet.
- Roll and Read:** A card with a grid of dice and a list of words: back, click, that, kick, shell, block, ship, them, pack, shop, chin, shock, check, this, thin, black, thick, brush, bath, luck, shed, bench, bunch, lick, duck, fifth, rush, flash, trash, then, than, crash, clock, smash, chop, lunch.

- 4.3.1. Doing lots of decoding and encoding activities to build understanding of language and apply it to reading and writing processes
- 4.3.2. At home practice program uses fluency passages - students bring passages and books home weekly to practice

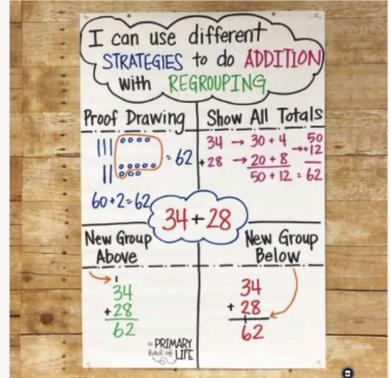
4.4. Math





Favorite Sport	
Baseball	●●●●●●●●
Soccer	●●●●●●●●●●
Basketball	●●●

**KEY**  
● equals 1 student



I can use different STRATEGIES to do ADDITION with REGROUPING

PROOF DRAWING      SHOW ALL TOTALS

New Group Above      New Group Below

PRIMARY Math in LIFE

<b>Zero Facts</b> $12 + 0 = 12$ $0 + 12 = 12$ Any number + 0 = the same number	<b>Turn Around Facts</b> Flip the addends... The sum doesn't change! $4 + 5 = 7$ $5 + 4 = 7$	<b>Count Up</b> $5 + 2 = 7$ Put the big number in your head and then count up! $4 + 5 = 7$
<b>Doubles</b> $5 + 5 = 10$ The same number is added together!	<b>Addition Strategies</b>	<b>Doubles + 1</b> The Problem is $4 + 5 = 7$ Think... IF $4 + 4 = 8$ $4 + 5$ is one more so the answer must be one more than 8! $4 + 5 = 9$
<b>Make Ten</b> $9 + 3 = ?$ Think... $9 + 3 = 10 + 2$	<b>Draw It!</b> $3 + 6 =$ ☆☆☆ ☆☆☆	<b>Combine</b> $8 + 2 + 5 = 7$ $8 + 2 = 10$ $10 + 5 = 15$

- 4.4.1. Just finished graphing
- 4.4.2. Working on addition and subtraction strategy
- 4.5. System professional day on Jan 30 - no school
- 5. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – Larysa Hart
- 5.1. Introduction of new Assistant Principal - Robyn Drinkwater

## WELCOME

- Teacher/Leader in the CBE for 20 years
- Instrumental music background
- Passion for learning
- Support social emotional learning in classrooms
- Teach grade 5/6 social studies
- Support music instruction on Fridays

Meet the Assistant Principal  
**Ms. Drinkwater**



**Ms. Drinkwater loves..**  
 -her family and her dog  
 -listening to and making music  
 -Mount View School  
 -Star Wars movies  
 -cooking

**Hello!**  
 My name is Ms. Drinkwater and I have the privilege of being the assistant principal of Mount View School. I love my job! I am passionate about learning and everyday I get to learn from students. The community at MVS is very welcoming and I am enjoying learning more about students, staff and families every day.

**Who am I?**  
 When I am not at school, you can find me spending time with my family, cooking in my kitchen, or relaxing. I love to listen to music, read, and play all kinds of games with my family.

Please contact me via email at [rlrinkwater@cbe.ab.ca](mailto:rlrinkwater@cbe.ab.ca) or by phone at 403-777-6300  
 I can be found in the office, teaching social studies in grade 5/6 or music on Fridays, or running around the school working or checking in with students



- 5.1.1. Has worked in the CBE for 20 years
- 5.1.2. Previously taught music in junior high and in elementary school
- 5.1.3. Now at MVS she is working with every student through the music program as well as assisting in other areas.
- 5.2. Learning Commons Trivia Night
  - 5.2.1. To coincide with Owl's Nest Book Sale
  - 5.2.2. Tentatively planned for March 16 - more information to come
- 5.3. Staffing Update
  - 5.3.1. Gina Haspel (kindergarten) and Rachel Taylor-Ferguson (Grade 5/6) will be staying until the end of June
- 5.4. Facility Update
  - 5.4.1. There continue to be issues with temperature fluctuations. The facilities team is working to resolve this
  - 5.4.2. A data closet will be created in the summer - volunteers may be needed to move extra books from their current location. More details to come closer to the date.
- 5.5. Student Assessments
  - 5.5.1. Students from K-3 being assessed for the next few weeks based on provincial credentials
  - 5.5.2. LearnAlberta website (found [here](#)) available as a resource for parents.
- 5.6. School-Wide Initiative
  - 5.6.1. 8 new LEAD students
  - 5.6.2. Confederation park field trip was delayed to labour action but Ms. Berger is planning for this for the spring.
- 5.7. Digital citizenship club
  - 5.7.1. Rubric for students to check in on their own competencies
- 5.8. Learning Leaders
  - 5.8.1. Opportunity for three learning leaders (Alicia Hutton, Emily Thompson, Laura Bagshaw) to support outside of their classroom in their areas of expertise. Ms. Drinkwater comes to teach in classroom while those teachers go support in other classes
- 6. NEW BUSINESS
  - 6.1. Upcoming COSC Meeting Schedule: Jan 21, April 8 and June 10, 2026
    - 6.1.1. Dustin Dunlop to attend Jan 21 meeting and reevaluate who should attend in the future
  - 6.2. ASCA Meeting Recap
    - 6.2.1. Talked about state of education in the province
    - 6.2.2. Representative from the Government of Alberta attended, providing an opportunity for engagement and to give feedback on what GoA should focus on.
    - 6.2.3. Sashbear is a nonprofit that shared information on mental health and suicide prevention for youth. Resources can be found [here](#).
  - 6.3. Winter Food Drive Results
    - 6.3.1. 278 lbs of food donated



- 6.3.2. New volunteers will be needed to run the drive next year
- 6.4. Future Agenda Items
  - 6.4.1. Layers of Literacy parent sessions

7. ADJOURN

- 7.1. Any new agenda items can be emailed to [mountviewschoolcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:mountviewschoolcouncil@gmail.com).
- 7.2. Next School Council meeting will be on February 11, 2026 at 6:30 pm.
- 7.3. Meeting adjourned by Dustin Dunlop at 7:12 PM.

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