

RA Riddell School Council  
March Minutes

1. Welcome, Mr. Robertson spoke the land acknowledgement, and turtle island welcome.
2. Superintendent Laura Ramano and School Trustee Becky Buck are here to help our community achieve its fullest potential. They are able to take our policy questions to help make change. Some questions our parents had were:
  - A. Will the boundary lines be changing in the future? The ministry will determine how we make the boundaries and if they are to change. We will know more when the ministry makes their decisions.
  - B. What are the steps involved in acquiring help to update our outside play area, the basketball area in particular? Becky has agreed to look into getting assistance with we hicks as well Terry whitehead. And we will go from there.
  - C. How do we as a school community create a safer walk to school plan? As a team we will look into getting a walkable school route, which will include a safer alternative for drop offs and pick ups. We will need volunteers to help remind parents to do there drops off in a safe zone. No possible turn around area as we've maxed out on parking spaces for public zoning.
3. Teacher Report: Submitted grand proposal to turn our green screen into a LEGO wall! It is a \$1000 HWDSB Foundation grant. Also submitted a \$10,000 Best Buy grant for electronics. Keep your fingers crossed! Currently the school has access to approximately 6 iPads per class and 40 laptops to share between grades 4-8.
  - SR swim team runs Mon-Wed
  - Mini RNBA is finished with a bit of a heated end, between the grades 3-5
  - Art smart hosted by HWDSB is putting on Matilda the musical and we are trying to arrange a field trip to see it!
  - Basketball teams are in full swing!
4. Todays Family Report: Had a wild successful march break, they have now started planning the summer camp festivities. They have space for 102 kids grades K-6
5. Pro-grant planning in full swing. The team has decided on hosting JUMP 2 MATH on Wednesday May 29 2019 from 6-8. It will be a fun and interactive games night for children and parents. We will have some store fronts for parents to learn new and important things. There will also be some teachers there to help our parents understand new math! YAY! Keep in mind we will need lots of volunteers!
6. Old Business: Council Voted YES to proposed funding for Pro grant evening.
7. New Business: Having student reps at council meetings, Voted YES!  
Some programs HWDSB is running, Cool Little Kids which is about anxiety & worrying theres programs from kids in grades jk-3 and 3-6.
8. Principals Report: Doug Trimble, Welcome to the Riddell Family. Mr. Trimble has been interacting with the students, focusing on the older grades. He is happy to be a part of our family and looks forward to working together to create a wonderful learning environment.