



R.T. Alderman Parent Council and Association

Parents and Guardians – We Need You!

There is an immediate need for parent and guardian volunteers with children in any grade to join the Parent Council and Association Executive.

R.T. Alderman's Parent Council and Association play a vital role in the functioning of the school. Not only do we organize events to help bring the school community together but we also do a great deal of fundraising and decide how that money is spent. It could be used for field trips, team jerseys, learning tools such as plants for the living wall and essential items like science equipment and technology for the classrooms. Each month we also speak directly to the principal and some of the teachers to discuss their agenda for the coming months.

A new year means some of the executive members have moved on so we need parents and guardians to step up and fill the positions left vacant (see page 2 for more details).

It's an excellent opportunity to have an active role in your child's education, enrich their learning experience and meet other parents and guardians.

We meet once a month on every second Thursday. All meeting dates are listed on R.T. Alderman's website (<http://schools.cbe.ab.ca/b653/council.htm>). The best way to learn more and get involved is to attend our next meeting on Thursday, November 9th at 6.30pm in the library.

We look forward to seeing you there.

School Legacy

One of our ambitions this year is to organize a legacy project. This could be an outdoor play area or an attractive permanent sign at the front of the school. We'd love to hear your ideas.

Wellness

R.T. Alderman staff understand the importance of youth mental health (specifically anxiety and self-harm) and are planning events and activities for the students. In the past this has included activities such as integrating mindfulness and sharing circles in the classroom, a guest speaker and a visit from Robb Nash. We have been asked to help fund the project so will be discussing it at the next meeting.

Welcome BBQ

Thank you to everyone who attended the BBQ in September. We estimate that we served about 400 people.

Executive Positions Available

School Council		Parent Association	
President	VACANT	President	VACANT
Vice-President	Trisha Gibson	Vice-President	Trisha Gibson
Secretary	Fiona McColl	Secretary	Fiona McColl
		Treasurer	Debra McIntosh
		Director – Fundraising Coordinator	Fiona McColl
Director – Volunteer Coordinator	VACANT		
Director – Communications	Shelagh Peirce	Director – Communications	Shelagh Peirce
Director – Special Events Coordinator	VACANT		
Directors	Jennifer Mierau Elizabeth Richardson Doreen Dart VACANT - 4 SPOTS	Directors	Jennifer Mierau Elizabeth Richardson Doreen Dart VACANT - 5 SPOTS
Past Chair	Roger Crowe	Past Chair	Roger Crowe

Bylaw Changes

We're in the process of changing the Parent Council and Association bylaws. The chart above shows the roles that will be taken forward once the bylaws are passed. This will be discussed in more detail at the next meeting.

For more information about the vacant positions contact:
 Trisha Gibson: trishnpeteg@gmail.com
 Shelagh Peirce: shelaghp@hotmail.com

Don't Forget!

Thursday, November 9th

Parent Council and Association meeting at 6.30pm in the library.