
MEETING MINUTES

Attendees

Meeting called to order at 7:02 p.m.

In Attendance

Kate Davis, Tina Feir, Keri Glowacki, Rhonda Williams, Shane Smith, Meagan Shultz, Hayli Stock, Sam Sharpe

Approval of agenda and previous minutes: Meagan, seconded by Shane

Welcome

Message from School (Rhonda & Keri)

1. School Updates:

- Clay for Kids Residency: good time of year to have it because it was so cold out, instructor was great (a former teacher) and allowed the kids to be active.
- Mad Science: each grade team is booking at various times, grade 5/6 just did it virtually
- Pink Shirt Day: coming up – being kind is a theme from last year that has carried over from this year
- Grade 1/2 Celebration of Learning: on pink shirt day. Students have put together little books with their writing in it, will be displayed at celebration of learning.
- March Learning Conferences: This year will be similar to last year; student lead. This year we will give families more time to do the different stations and have time to meet with teachers.
- Lacrosse Residency: coming up.
- Video Surveillance Upgrades: cameras outside the building have aged out, new cameras are more user friendly. They are coming in next week to look at what will be upgraded, will take some time to get the new cameras set up, etc
- New iPads: came and being used, have to figure out charging stations, etc but they have been great. Came with cases.

2. Share Your Voice

- School Planning Presentation: 2025 School Planning: sharing information about school planning at WDS and gathering feedback. Development plans, budgets and fees. WDS received \$2,761,098 in the 2024-25 school year. 75% of this budget goes toward staff salaries.
 - Gathering feedback: there is a quick survey to be completed
 - A summary of feedback gathered at tonight's session will be provided by March 20
 - Feedback from the survey will be provided by April 20
- Feedback from School Council – Video Surveillance Upgrades

- No questions or concerns regarding the upgrade

Parent Council: New Business

1. School Council Positions: Succession Planning

- Need to start thinking about next year's council – Megan will be leaving and Tina will have limited time for Council.
- Rhonda/Keri can send out an email to the school letting people know that we will be looking for new Council members, inviting them to meetings this year to learn more.
- Work on a flyer/leaflet to send home to let parents know just how much Council covers

2. AB Engagement Grant \$500

- Prepaid Visa card
- Guest speaker: Lindsay was going to reach out, will follow up
- Money has to be spent by June or we lose the money

3. Events in 2025

- Spring Dance April 18: canceled for this year
- Hats on for Mental Health May 3: another muffin mixer style event? Spring concert is May 1 this year, having another event that week would be a lot – we do not have the bandwidth or members to run those this year.

4. Fundraising

- Easter Purdy's
 - Is set up – link is ready and catalogues have been sent to the school
 - Send home a paper QR code with a link to the order page
 - Deadline for Purdy's is April 2, delivery April 17
- WDS Apparel
 - Hayli: contacted a new provider, one that Rhonda had provided. Has some samples on a website that she has created. They have a huge variety of items; we can have it open for the whole year and do a bulk order up to three times a year (ship to school).
 - You can also personalize items
 - They also do table cloths, coverings and pull up banners
 - Hayli will let the company know we can move forward – set up a few sample pieces
- Healthy Hunger update: going well, Meagan is still waiting to connect with Lindsay on taking over Healthy Hunger
 - Kids that are getting Healthy Hunger that typically wouldn't get anything are loving it
- Skip the Depot
 - \$578.87 in our account

5. Financial Update

- Council account sitting \$12,362.34
- Movie night made \$260 (next year will be less as we can use the license again)
- Should start thinking about budget for next year; planning for what we will spend
- Shane has some outstanding reimbursement requests from Yuri

Meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m., Kate, Meagan seconded.

Parent Council Association – Meeting

Called to order at 8:23 p.m.

Casino Update & School Requests

- Balance of account \$51,618.82 – one outstanding request is \$2,000 to be taken out shortly
- Rhonda:
 - AV system: still waiting on quote
 - Anchor book list: staff put together a list modeling writing for all students, books would be in the library so kids can sign them out as well. About \$500 total. Motion to spend \$500, all in favour

Meeting adjourned 8:26 p.m., all in favour

Meetings: Next meeting April 10 in person **if CUPE strike is still online for this meeting it will have to be online**