

SWL School Council Minutes

Tuesday June 3rd 2025

ITEM	NOTES
Attendance	Kelly Reilly Scott – Principal Tim Kivell – Vice Principal Melanie Collingwood – Teacher Rep Jessica Codd – Chair Kimberley Donmoyer Fong – Treasurer Ashley Hinks – Secretary Victoria French Nicole Oliver Heather Jensen Mallory Murchie Nida Rehan Syeda Fizza Zehra Mastoora Rahimi Andrew Sparkes (regrets)
Chair Report – Jessica Codd	Explained voting members vs members at large – to be a voting member you must have filled out a School Council nomination form and submitted prior to (or at) this meeting, but that all parents/guardians are welcome to attend and speak at meetings, but any voting is left to the voting members. Also parents/guardians are welcome to connect with the council chair or Principals (Ms Reilly Scott and Mr Kivell) regarding anything they want discussed at the meeting All members introduced themselves
Council Nominations	Jessica Codd – Chair Kimberley Donmoyer Fong – Treasurer Ashley Hinks – Secretary All ran unopposed and hold the same position as previous year Voting Members: Victoria French Nicole Oliver Heather Jensen Mallory Murchie Nida Rehan Syeda Fizza Zehra Mastoora Rahimi Andrew Sparkes (nomination form received, absent at meeting)
Principa/Vice Principal Report – Ms Reilly Scott	September Start Up – students adjusting to classes/peers. Routines for younger primary students going well. Re-organization will occur – Kinder numbers are lower than spring projections and primary classes are over ministry cap, some higher numbers in junior 4&5. Communication regarding closing and opening of classes

	<p>will occur ending of this week. Impacted students and families will receive communicatoion the following week. Educators are ready to support new students/families and help with any transition changes for their students</p> <p>Professional Development and School Improvement – PA Day September 19 focused on Student Belonging & Upholding Human Rights/Health & Safety Training – connections to indigenous learning and education (Math Facilitator), reimagining wellness and top 5 lessons, program board put together based on team building activities – aligning with human rights and student belonging. School Climate data – climate data spring 2025 (grades 4-8 responded) almost 80% of students have the same expectations – need to work on 66% of students feeling safe – need to review that.</p> <p>Staff meeting – review of excursion proves – aligning with Human Rights & Curriculum when planning for excursions. Really planning around human rights, is the cost accessible for all families, taken grant money away for students that couldn't afford excursions. Council does provide some. There is a great list of excursions that meet all the requirements available to staff.</p> <p>Students safety/Progressive Discipline Procedures. Continuation of top 5. Building classroom communities and supporting student well-being</p> <p>6 fire drills required to be held throughout the year, 3 done already another 3 in spring. Talk after drills what went well, etc. other drills throughout the year (shelter in place, evacuation, lockdown, hold & secure) will let families know when there is going ot be a lockdown drill</p>
<p>Teachers Report – Ms. Collingwood</p>	<p>School Activities/Extra Curricular - September 26 Terry Fox Run/Walk Event – split up into divisions. Fundraising is ongoing</p> <p>Recess guardians during nutrition breaks for primary students</p> <p>Volleyball & baseball have both started</p> <p>ROAR Assembly – Responsibility Openheartedness Academics and Respect to be held</p> <p>Truth & Reconciliation day Tuesday September 30th (Orange Shirt Day)</p>
<p>Treasurers Report – Kimberly Donmoyer Fong</p>	<p>Council funds Spent last year: (approx./rounded numbers)</p> <p>Hands on instructional materials \$4000</p> <p>Excursions \$3000</p> <p>Student nutrition program \$5000</p> <p>Grade 8 commencement \$1000</p> <p>Fundraisers set; Krispy Kreme not doing as well as last year. Cost to us went up by \$1/dozen – same cost to families as last year, so one less dollar profit per box (\$4/box profit) Terra Cotta cookie dough drops – scheduled to start mid-feb, will end right before march break for delivery April 1st</p>

<p>Council Items for Discussion</p>	<p>Food days - Need to look into food days again – Jessica looking into other pizza places, sub days, other food days. Open to suggestions (approx. \$5) Nicole suggested we look into purchasing thermal bags to make distribution to classes more efficient and keep the food warm longer</p> <p>Open House – being held October 16th 5:00-6:30pm. Heather will take over ice cream selling, Jessica will get updated pricing from supplier moving forward but for now will be sold at \$2/each. Mr Pettersen/HAT team putting on activities in the gym.</p> <p>Have to submit fundraising plan by October 30 – can make changes, make additions. Open house support (Oct & May), Arts Program (music, visual arts), terra cotta & Krispy Kreme, food days,</p> <p>Winter wonderland – so many new regulations, etc. prize baskets, suggested INSTEAD of Winter Wonderland in the evening to do a Christmas store during the school day instead - ask for families to donate new items that we can pair in a gift basket, everything is priced at \$1-2. New gently used, non perishable food items. Maybe a freebie table. Council voted on doing holiday store – all in favour. Suggesting calling it a “Giving store”. Details and sub-committee to be discussed at November meeting</p>
<p>Next Meeting</p>	<p>Wednesday November 5th 6:00pm Tuesday January 13th 6:00pm Tuesday March 24th 6:00pm Tuesday June 2nd 6:00pm</p>