

# Thorncliffe School Council Meeting Minutes

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Date: February 26, 2026

Time: 6:00 pm

## Attendees

Calleigh H., Mary H., Catherine W., Ms. Bodio, Kristin V., Sandra W., Amber L., Lucy M., Dora, Mohammad, Hira A., Satish D., Sindhu D., Tracy E., Athar S., Aisha A., Nishanth

## Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 6:03 pm

## Welcome and Introductions

## Land Acknowledgement

Presented by Sandra

## Review and Approval of Minutes from January 15, 2026 Meeting

- Accepted by consensus

## Review Agenda

## Teacher Share

Kindergarten Teachers (Ms. Bodio, Ms. Vuong, Ms. Weir)

- Current learning
  - ELA – Phonics, SDP
  - Math – number sense 0-10
  - Science – 5 senses, animal inquiry/zoo

## Administrative Report

Presented by Calleigh

- School Planning Engagement
  - School Development Plan (SDP) can be found on school website under about us

- The SDP guides ongoing assessment and review of goals and actions.
- Overall goal – Student achievement in literacy and mathematics will improve through assessment informed learning cycles.
  - Measuring through report card data, pre and post-tests, and surveys etc.
- Actions – Learning excellence, well-being, truth reconciliation, diversity and inclusion actions.
- Thorncliffe has been provided with \$1.877 million, 279 students (funded for 269)
- School Council covers school-based fees.
- Central fees such as transportation, supplies, and noon supervision are not set or handled by the school.
- Guide for school fees is available online.
- Comments, questions, and feedback will be gathered, evaluated and shared at our December 2026 School Council Meeting.
- Outdoor Classroom: CBE Grounds has completed a site visit – South of the school out of the Kindergarten Doors. Teachers in grade 2/3 are working with the students on an inquiry about landscaping to gather student voice. Teacher perspective is to develop a space for learning and plan with boulders, planting, beds, and trees interspersed to make a natural space.
  - Timeline review
    - April – plan will be developed to share with CBE landscaping
    - After we submit a plan, project can be scheduled
    - Financial – commitment of funding? CBE grounds can install up to \$10,000
    - Once hardscape and planting beds are installed (potentially Summer 2026), trees can be planted.
    - Action: **Sandra** to look into if we can use Society Funds
- Karate was great!
- Leadership Club with grade 5/6 students. First initiative was planning a pink shirt day presentation and collaborative art installation. They will be supporting SPARK and in the office. They are planning a spirit day each month and more!
- March is a busy month with events
  - Pearl White Quills teaching: beading
  - Overnight Field Trip to Drumheller (Grade 6)
  - Learning Conferences

## Treasurer's Report

Presented by Sandra W.

- As of February 25, 2026
  - Current Balance = \$2,440.46
  - Available balance (after holdbacks) = \$1,709.91
    - Planned fundraiser: Growing Smiles coming up soon

## Old Business

- School has purchased a bookshelf for sign/in out book which will serve as a resource shelf as well.
- Sign in/out plan for resource books - **Sandra**
- Treasurer – open position – **Sandra** to follow up with those who expressed interest
- Playground project brief – steps, cost considerations timelines typically are 12-26 months.
  - Grants - **Felicia** to investigate & talk to contacts at community Centre
  - Can we contact donors on the plaque?
  - **Calleigh** to talk to Area Facilities Team Lead
  - Approximate cost for a new playground: \$275,000 - \$475,000
- Internet Safety Presentation – February 19, 2026
  - Good feedback

## New Business/White Space

### Next Meeting

March 12, 2026 (Hybrid)

### Close

Meeting closed at 7:03 pm

*Respectfully submitted by Amber Larson*