Thorncliffe School Council Meeting Minutes

Date: May 1, 2025 Time: 6:00 pm

Attendees

Amanda B., Ms. Michael, Ms. Emma, Nadine D., Felicia L., Calleigh H., Lucy, Michelle W., Sandra W., Tracy E., Xiao C., Amber L.

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 6:03pm

Welcome and Introductions

Land Acknowledgement

Presented by Felicia

Grade 2/3 Classes Presentation on Student Learning

Presented by Emma and Alex

- UFLI to improve student literacy
 - Allows individualised student learning
 - o Builds phonics skills, reading speed, understanding, and confidence
 - Allows games like "Roll and Reads"
- Regrouping for cross-curricular exploration grouping students based on their interests
- Regrouping for storytelling through loose parts exploration
- Jube School
 - o Guiding question: How do we share our stories
 - Established common language (characters, settings), explored the Jube, learning

Review and Approval of Minutes from March 5, 2025 Meeting

- Motion: Amanda B. motions to approve
- **Decision**: Approved by consensus

Review Agenda

Additions:

- Coffee
- Pancake breakfast

Moved to Society:

- Website Domain
- Funding for alternate activities for Grade 6
- Alien Inline Family Night

Administrative Report

Presented by Calleigh H. and Nadine D.

• Discussed important information regarding next year including bell times, classroom organization, first day of school, etc.:

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Bell Times:
9:15-3:43 Monday to Thursday
9:15-1:10 Friday

Classroom Organization:
4 division 1 classes (grades 1-3)
4 division 2 classes (grades 4-6)
4 kindergarten classes (3 TLC, 1 Community)

First Day of School:
September 2nd

Welcome Back Breakfast (Batter Boyz):
Friday, September 5th

Staffing:
Similar to current year teaching and support staff
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- Discussed if it is possible to pre-approval a budget for field trips for next year rather than submitting each individually. Council members agreed.
- Discussed alternate activities for grade 6 rock climbing has been booked and busing secured for June 6, 2025

Treasurer's Report

Presented by Xiao C.

• As of April 25:

- Current Balance = \$2497.51
- o Available balance (after holdbacks) = \$1756.69
- One more check has been deposited for Healthy Hunger (\$183.63) (not included in total above)

Old Business

- Fun Lunch presented by Sandra W.
 - Percentage received from gift cards either is grouped into current cheques or or we have not received payment.
 - Action: Will need to discuss with Healthy Hunger to confirm how this works (did not assign to anyone)
- Social media
 - o **Action**: Sandra will reach out to Adania to set up new accounts
- Growing Smiles
 - ~80 plants ordered out of 150 goal so far (Estimated profit ~\$550)
 - o Order deadline is May 12
 - o **Action**: Felicia to send a reminder
- ASCA Symposium
 - o Sandra attended on Saturday, April 26, 2025
 - Obtained templates and ideas on how to engage parents and the community at large
 - o **Action**: Sandra to email to executive and add to the council shared drive
- Alberta School Council Engagement (ASCE) Grant
 - o Must be spent by June 13th
 - o Ideas
 - Parent resources library
 - **Action**: Michelle will send a list of possible resources
 - School council bulletin board
 - Subscription service that gives access to library of ASCA resources and monthly workshops

New Business

- Pancake breakfast funding
 - o Syrup, water, juice, plates and cutlery, etc.
 - o **Motion**: Sandra W. motions to approve \$750
 - o **Decision**: Approved by consensus
 - o **Action**: Nadine will send the list of supplies to Felicia
- Pancake breakfast volunteers
 - o Date: Friday, September 5th
 - o Action: Felicia will send out volunteer request closer to the start
 - o Tracy, Felicia, Bree, Lucy may be able to volunteer

- Pizza Lunch
 - Discussed details of pizza lunch including numbers, vendor, dietary needs, and cost
 - o Date: June 26, 2025
 - o Action: Felicia will contact Sal's Pizza
 - Action: Calleigh to send numbers of students
 - Action: Felicia will ask if halal pepperoni is available
 - o **Motion**: Sandra W. motioned to approve \$1200
 - o **Decision**: Approved by consensus
- Coffee and Tea for Teachers
 - o Discussed purchasing coffee and tea for teachers
 - o **Motion**: Amanda B. will motion to approve \$150
 - o **Decision**: Approved by consensus
 - o Action: Calleigh will order

'White Space'

• n/a

Next Meeting

Date TBD for fall 2025

Close

Meeting closed at 7:24pm

Respectfully submitted by Amanda Bierkos