

School Council Meeting – April 22, 2026

In attendance: Rolf Haensel, Delaine Craig, Lori Vander Werf, Shauna Carson, Sherry Marr, Katie Elgie, Colleen Foster, Anne Jordan

Call to Order at 6:33pm.

- The agenda was reviewed and approved.
- The minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed and approved.

School Update

- Next Casino will be held in late 2027
- Budget came out April 23rd – this will determine staffing numbers. The student population is projected to increase to 521 for the 2026/2027 school year:
 - Class numbers are projected to be:
 - 5 Grade 6 classes
 - 5 Grade 7 classes
 - 7 Grade 8 classes
 - 2 Grade 9 classes
- Next year will feature a 6 period timetable:
 - 2 periods – break – 2 periods – lunch – 2 periods
 - Students will be picking options soon
 - There will be 8 or 9 options available to choose from for each grade; students will pick 4
 - Option blocks will be arranged by grade, will result in more mixing of the students within their grade cohort

Council Reports

Treasury:

- School Council account has approx. \$860
- Staff Appreciation Lunch to be held June 18th:
 - Sandwiches, etc. to be ordered from The Italian Centre
 - Lori and Anne to arrange
 - **Motion to approve up to \$700 made by Katie, seconded by Shauna and approved**
- Ms. Burkell will be working with students on the Grade 9 Farewell, has asked for some money for décor:
 - **Motion to approve up to \$100 made by Katie, seconded by Shauna and approved**

Communications:

- No report

Fun Lunch:

- Reminder that some upcoming field trips conflict with fun lunch, so parents should be aware and cancel their orders if so

Volunteers:

- Still need 2 volunteers for the Grade 9 Economics for Success excursion to SAIT

New Business

- The BBPA is in the process of transitioning to the NSPS (Nickle School Parent Society). A special resolution will be held to formalize the bylaws, but should be ready to start fresh in September
- School Engagement grant is still available; funds were not required to arrange the NSPS

Meeting adjourned 7:15pm.

Next Meeting: May 28, 2026 at 6:30pm