

School Council Meeting – Nov 27, 2025

In attendance: Scott Fehr, Marina Clark, Delaine Craig, Lori Vander Werf, Shauna Carson, Michelle Tamblyn, Sherry Marr, Anne Jordan

Call to Order at 6:45pm.

School Update

- Mr. Ray has coordinated with interested schools to complete the Basketball season
- Winter Band Concert is scheduled for Dec 11
- Gaga ball pit is very popular with students; the pad was poured to eventually accommodate two pits, so will look at purchasing a second pit in future
- For the second year in a row, two students from each grade will be selected to attend a conference on socio-emotional learning at MRU on Dec 9. Students will learn about ways to foster inclusion and belonging and bring their ideas back to Nickle.
- Date change for report cards: Feb 24
- 485 students are currently enrolled at Nickle. Of those, 94 are EAL (English as an Additional Language) students, with the breakdown of those students as follows:
 - 23 - grade 6
 - 23 - grade 7
 - 4 - grade 8
 - 10 - grade 9

Two new roles will be filled to meet the needs of these students and provide support to teachers.

Council Reports

Treasury:

- As of Aug 31, 2025, \$21,729 was held in a cashable GIC in the Casino Account
- There is likely \$60-80k expected in the new year from the most recent casino
- Marina to share a spreadsheet detailing the teachers' wishlist; once Council approves the items, the list will be forwarded to the BBPA for final approval – carts for new technology are a priority right now
- As of October, 2025, \$1,537 was held in the General Account

Communications:

- No report

Fun Lunch:

- Anne has booked all fun lunches for the year
- Will look at adding a \$0.25 surcharge per food item for the next school year, as a fundraising opportunity for the General Account

Volunteers:

- A couple of grade 8 volunteers are still required for the trip to Vertigo Theatre on Dec 10
- Volunteers also needed for the Outdoor Ed field trip to Fish Creek Park on Dec 12

New Business

- Staff Appreciation Lunch set for Dec 18 at 11:30
 - Will be ordered from the Italian Centre
 - Lori to coordinate with Delaine to get final numbers and any dietary restrictions
 - Budget of up to \$700 approved
- Marina contacted the Alberta School Council Association (ACSA), and has a contact there who can help get Council business in order
 - Alberta School Council Engagement grant can be used to offset associated costs

Motion to adjourn proposed by S. Carson, seconded by L. Vander Werf.

Meeting adjourned 7:45pm.

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