

January School Council Meeting – January 17, 2024
6:00 PM – In Learning Commons or TEAMS



Agenda:

Bob White, Lenee Fyfe, Cindy Rogers, Mindy Kool, Emily Smith, Courtney Rozee, Tasha Olsen, Andrea Andreachuk (via Teams), Kira Kinahan (via Teams), Cynthia Young

1. Approval of Nov. Minutes (Cindy, Cynthia)
2. Additions to the Agenda - non
3. Communications
4. Treasurer Report
 - See attached
 - Cindy reviewed statement
 - Waiting on some cashed cheques
 - Fundraiser totals attached, need visas from silent auction – missing \$90.00 credit card transaction
5. Admin Report
 - 2 new interns started – Mr Austin (Lisa Clark, Grade 2/3 PE), Miss Leger (Brayden Zentner Grade 4/5 French)
 - BOOST starting – Miss Kolsza – pushing into Grade 2/3 rooms
 - Results Report – Lenee reviewed, great parent engagement with the survey
6. Staff Report
 - December Highlights
 - Snowflake Ball – Huge turn out, YMCA, Hurricane Game, Christmas Dinner, Magic Show
7. Division School Council Meeting – occurring tonight
8. Trustee Report
 - Christine Lee presented information on Gary Station School – naming of school, border re-alignment for westside
 - Esport tour of schools, including Buchanan
 - Bussing within 1KM in effect next school year
 - Building plans for successful next year
 - Recruitment – Job fair at U of L was successful
 - Kinder Play Program – 3 school to pilot for next year
 - SIVA – 100 newly trained employees
 - Nutrition Grant – increase funding needs
9. New Business
 - Request for: \$100.00 allocation per classroom for field trips, will use Christmas Tree money to top up *total - \$1500 – approved

- Request for: \$150.00 allocation per teacher for supplies (15 classes, LST, BOOST, Music)
- \$2700 - approved
- February Meeting – City of Lethbridge 6:30 – Requested only 30 minutes, to present the Safe Travel Plan survey results

10. Old Business

11. Fundraising

Christmas Trees

WestJet

Let's Pasta and Kernels to pay for Henderson at year end

Next meeting date: February 26, 2024 @ 6pm (Blended – In person and TEAMS)

Upcoming:

Wednesday, Jan. 17 – Little Ceasers Hot Lunch Cut Off – 10:00 PM

Thursday, Jan. 18 – Family Gym Night (6:00-7:30) Floor Hockey

Friday, Jan 19 – Best Hat Day – Wear your favourite!

Mon., Jan. 24 – Kindergarten Registration Starts

Wed., Jan. 24- Hot Lunch – NB2

Tues., Jan. 30 – Courage Award Assembly – 2:30 PM (Rozee's Class Performing)

Friday, Feb. 2 – PL Day – No School Students

FUNDRAISERS 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR		
KERNELS FUNDRAISER		
Revenue	\$5,302.75	
Expenses	\$3,528.53	
Net Proceeds	\$1,774.22	
GARAGE SALE		
Revenues	\$623.75	
Expenses	\$0.00	
Net Proceeds	\$623.75	
COOKIE DOUGH FUNDRAISER		
Revenues		
Expenses		
Net Proceeds	\$0.00	
HURRICANES GAME		
Revenues - Tickets		
Revenues - Raffle		
Revenues - Silent Auction		
Expenses		
Net Proceeds	\$0.00	
LETS PASTA		
Revenue		
Expenses		
Net Proceeds	\$0.00	

Bell Time 2024-2025

Survey Results

With respect to our current bell times of 8:40-3:47 and 8:40-11:30 on Fridays, what do you view as positives?

- Later start in morning makes it easier to get kids up and ready for the day, less rushed, kids sleep more, time for breakfast at home
- Winter drop off with later start is easier
- Get out earlier on Fridays
- Lighter traffic coming to school
- Less lates
- 7 said nothing is positive

With respect to our current bell times of 8:40-3:47 and 8:40-11:30 on Fridays, what do you view as challenges?

- Evening feel short for families
- Working schedules – This is hard with a later start x 5
- Day feels very long with later dismissal, tired students, tired staff, kids are not in spaces to learn and retain after 3, not optimal learning times for tiny students, feels like last 30 minutes of day is wasted because students are tired
- Huge gap in bell times to feeder schools – please match feeder school bell times x 5
- Cannot get to appointments, extra curricular x 4
- Supervision outside in the morning – students dropped off due to parent work schedules
- Bell time between elementary schools – hard for volley ball and basketball
- School is not a priority on Fridays – less than 3 hours
- Support staff breaks through school day need to be longer due to bell times

From your experiences, what is your ideal start time for students to enter the building? Remember, we provide supervision 10 minutes prior to start time, plus build in breakfast time. Explain.

- 50% - 8:15
- Range 8:10-8:30 – 8%
- 8:30 – 13%
- 8:10 – 20%
- 8:00, 8:05, 8:40, 8:45 – less than 2% each

From your experiences, what is your ideal end time for students from Monday-Thursday? Please keep in mind the 7 hour approximation Monday through Thursday. Explain.

- 3:10 – 28%
- 3:15 – 28%
- Between 3:15-3:30 – 15%
- 3:30 – 23%
- 3:00, 3:45 – less than 6%