

Sunnyside School Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 3, 2025 from 6pm

In attendance: Shannon Muir, Val Tokovenko, Paola Bacaro, Mike Nagy, Stuart Jones, Malcolm Roberts, Natascia, Marta Markiewicz-Kedzior

1. Call to order, welcome, and introductions
 - a. With gratitude, mutual respect, and reciprocity, we acknowledge the ancestral home, culture, and oral teachings of the Treaty 7 signatories which include the **Siksika** Nation, **Piikani** Nation, **Kainai** Nation, the **Îethka** Stoney Nakoda Nation, consisting of the **Chiniki**, **Bearspaw**, and **Good Stoney** Bands, and the people of the **Tsuut'ina** Nation. The City of Calgary is also homeland to the historic **Northwest Métis** and to the **Otipemisiwak Métis Government**, **Métis Nation Battle River Territory**, **Nose Hill Métis District 5** and **Elbow Métis District 6**.

<https://www.calgarylibrary.ca/connect/indigenous-services/land-acknowledgment/>
2. Approval of agenda – *Paola motions, Stuart seconds*
3. Approval of minutes from last meeting – *Stuart motions, Malcolm seconds*
4. School updates
 - a. Grade teacher's update – *Social Emotional Learning goals: self-management and problem solving will improve. Examples with the problem-solving wheel.*
 - b. Shannon's update
 - i. *Planning survey results – 23 participants (curricular enhancement materials and field trips important to parents)*
 - ii. *Meeting results – Low response rate*
 - iii. *Soccer field – In contact with grounds, Shannon needs to follow up*
 - iv. *Sensory room and motor spaces looking good*
5. Business arising from minutes - *None*
 - a. Addendums
 - b. Actions
6. New business
 - a. *People not picking up after their dogs – Encourage parents to call 311 if they see it happening*
 - b. *Plant sale update (Tiffany) – No update yet. Suggestion to advertise in the HSCA newsletter that's mailed to Sunnyside homes (next year).*

- c. Casino
 - i. Funding update (Mike) – \$82,956 from the casino. There's a grant from Education Matters.
 - ii. AGLC letter – There was an idea to put aside some casino money to go towards playground update, a letter would have to be written to AGLC
- d. Next year's events
 - i. Shannon list of ideas and costs – Right now carnival is booked for May (\$2120-**\$2500**). Half day, whole school event. Malcolm motions to pass, Natascia seconds.
 - ii. Shannon has agreed to put a priority against the items in Mike's spreadsheet in order for us to discuss at the next meeting
 - iii. Teachers are booking field trips:
 - Studio Bell for Kinder (\$750 includes fee and bussing)
 - Calgary Farmyard for Gr 1/2 (\$1850 includes fee and bussing)
 - Jumping Pound for Gr 4 (\$650 program is free, cost is for bussing)
 - Calaway Park for Gr 5/6 (\$2175 less fundraising, this includes bussing)
 - \$5425 total for four events above
 - \$1500 budgeted for grade 3. **\$7000 expected**. Malcolm motions to pass, Stuart seconds.
- e. ASCA grant
 - i. Natascia – psychiatrist on screen time. \$500 for 90 minutes: 60 minute presentation, 30 minute Q & A. Would be in May, Natascia will lock it down with her credit card, get her contact to state available dates. Ideally it would be in person and live-streamed.
- f. Soccer – Natascia will update us next month about bringing in a soccer club
- g. Grade 6 graduation – Mrs. Lang and Mrs. Betcher will update us next month with their budget needs. Marta has a contact for a cake. Parent committee?

7. Any other business

- a. Someone new will be needed for parent society next year – put the word out
- b. Council will also need a new vice chair and chair next year – put the word out
- c. Mike looking into whether or not Society can accept e-transfers for donations
- d. Natascia wants to put on a read-a-thon, will put together a document with her needs
- e. Malcolm doing another math workshop with the 1/2 kids
- f. Food/drink for next meeting?

8. Adjournment at 8:02 pm Malcolm motions, Natascia seconds

Next meeting: Thursday, May 1, 2025