PORTER CREEK SECONDARY SCHOOL COUNCIL
Minutes of Regular Meeting
May 13, 2026
School Library

"School Council would like to acknowledge that we are on the lands of the Kwanlin Dün First Nation and Ta'an Kwäch'än Council and thank them for allowing us to live and work on their traditional land."

Present:

Council Members:
Misty Ticiniski: Chair
Jessie Dawson
Marcel Holder Robinson
Neil Salvin
Sarah Kitz
Jerry Zahora: Secretary Treasurer

Administration:
Peter Giangrande: Principal
Brad Gustafson: A/Vice Principal

Guests: Cody Bennard: KDFN ESC

Regrets:
Nicole Cross: Vice Principal
Jennifer Floyd: Council Member
Brice Harding: Council Member

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 6:30PM

2. **Adoption of Agenda:** Moved by Jessie, seconded by Neil, THAT the agenda be adopted. CARRIED

3. **Adoption of Minutes:** Moved by Neil, seconded by Jessie, THAT the Minutes of Regular Meeting, April 8, 2026 be adopted. CARRIED

4. **Parent Concerns:** Discussions were held whether students receive credit while away on a field trip, i.e.: Calgary trip. And now going to Halifax for a Youth Conference. There are excused attendances due to cultural activities. The credit comes from the FN as this is a cultural event. If there is no assignment attached, student write down activity and supervisors sign off on it. Then the FN provides information to the appropriate teacher.

5. **Reports: Committees:**
   - 5.1 Transportation Committee: Meeting to be held May 28, 2026
   - 5.2 AYSCBC:
     AGM held on April 18th, was successful.
     Proposed Personal Mobile Device Use Policy was discussed, is in DRAFT at this time.

Minister provided info on budget
Panel of the Education Review Panel were introduced:
Judy Arnold
Greg Storey
Lorraine Tieffell
Jillian Staveley
Report will be on Strength, Challenges and Opportunities.
Status report is to be done by end of June
Interim Report to be done end of September
Final report to be done end of December.
AYSCBC also provided and had approval for their work plan in principle subject to review.

6. **Principal's Report:**

- Enrolment: 623

<u>Staffing Changes/Updates:</u>

- 26-27:
  - Some hands-on offerings are full. Grade 10 is full for several academic subjects.
  - Added staff for:
    - .05 VP (Maria Gray) and 0.5 Learning Assistant
    - Learning Assistance (Chris Dymitriuk)
    - ABEL Shared Resource Program (Anjuli Ayers)
    - Math/Science/Computers (Amanda Thomson)
    - Hairstyling/Cosmotology (Kala Fuder)
    - Learning Assistance/Leadership (Julia Ward)
    - EA's: Robert Ayers, Val Thompson, Olive Dawe
  - Working on: Learning Assistance, Socials and Eng. 8,
    Math and Science Jr (offer coming this week)
    Automotive .286 (with FHC), Science 10/Sr. Math and several EA's
    Some students may not have full time several academic subjects;
- School Wellness Specialist is on leave. New hire to start late May.
  Brenda Jenner came to support in the interim. Replacement to be beg. of June

<u>Social/Emotional/Spirit:</u>

- Several "Ram Camp" tours for Gr. 7 students coming in to Gr. 8 – going well
- Colours day is coming up: Year end – arts and athletics awards
- Rainbow Room and sensory space

<u>Academic/Academic Support:</u>

- Gr. 8 info parent night – huge turnout. Gr. 7 tours went well
- Good feedback from student led conferences
- Several students are on their way to National Skills competition

- Upcoming: Informal reports this week (email/phone: emerging or developing only)

Arts/Athletics:

- Basketball Spring league is very popular
- Running club starts up

School/Curriculum/Assessment

- Several PCSS applications submitted to Every Student Every Day – One was successful – fitness room upgrades

Facility/Health and Safety:

- Lockdown drill went well
- Wood shop issues were addressed according to WCB
- Looking into to getting more doors fobbed: Door were rekeyed
- School improvement $'s are gone. They were used to do wiring/posts etc. in cosmetology.
- Re roofing of bike shed: approx. cost $2,500.

Field Trips:

- Band field trip to Edmonton went well
- SASE 9 (Socials and Science Experiential) trips and Wilderness Initiatives for Leadership Development (WILD 11/12) ongoing

First Nation and Cultural Inclusion:

- Steps to start Phase #3 of cultural camp begin: (include kitchen to process meats from hunts
- Hide Camp in May
- Cap and Gown – June 11st, FN grad June 12th

Upcoming/Invitations/Council Requests Follow Up:

- Expansion:
  Cellphones: Has been discussed with staff: Implement action plan by beg. of Sept. Draft to be sent to council prior to.
  Gr. 8 – 9 already doing ban. Gr. 10 – 12 – not impacted by proposed ban.

7. **Treasurer's Report:** Balance in account: $13,615.55

MOTIO : Moved by Neil, seconded by Jessie, THAT the PORTER CREEK SECONDARY SCHOOL COUNCIL makes a MOTION to provide $3,564.00 funding from Fire smarting initiative to the PORTER CREEK SECONDARY SCHOOL.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.1 School Council Scholarships:

MOTION: Moved by Neil, seconded by Jessie, THAT the PORTER CREEK SECONDARY SCHOOL COUNCIL makes a MOTION to approve a School Council Scholarship to:

NOLAN Floyd
HALIA PEALOW, in the amount of $500.00 <u>each</u> towards pursuing their future studies.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. **Old Business and Correspondence:**

9. **New Business and Correspondence:**
Discussions were held on how to give back to Admin and staff for their contributions and hard work during the school year and in the past.
Council agrees to provide a luncheon to acknowledge their hard work and contribution.

E motion to be provided when an event is planned.

10. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 7:27PM.
Next regular meeting: June 10, 2026

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Misty Ticiniski: Jerry Zahora:
Chair Secretary Treasurer