



Ponoka Elementary School Council

"Working together with the school to support and enhance student learning"

**November 19, 2025
6:30 pm
PES Community Commons**

PES School Council Meeting

In Attendance: Nathan McEntee, Danielle Thompson, Natalie Kowalsky, Rose Nicholson, Lisa Purtich, Kelli McLaren, Kayla Berggren, Nicole Dillon

- 1.0 **Call to Order - Welcome & Introductions** : Nicole calls meeting to order at 18:36
- 2.0 **Review of Agenda** : **Nicole make a motion to present amended agenda; Natalie seconds; all passed**
- 3.0 **Approval of Minutes** : **Danielle presents meeting minutes from September AGM; Natalie second; all passed**
- 4.0 **Reports**
 - 4.1 Principal's Report by Nathan McEntee
 - Copy of Report available upon request and most information found in Colts Connection Newsletter
 - Coming back from the strike the government has asked to collect data on Classroom Complexity. Schools were given 10 days to complete a survey to report back.
 - 4.2 Trustee's Report
 - Lana absent not much to report on at this time she will provide full report at next meeting
 - 4.3 Financial Report
 - Jacklyn absent no report. Jacklyn did provide balance Council is \$893.07
- 5.0 **Standing Business**
 - 5.1 Q&A -
 - 5.2 Upcoming Events for School Council Involvement - Thursday Nov 27 anyone available to sit at a sign up booth for Parent Teacher Interviews, Nicole will send out an email to everyone. We can ask Lana to print the School Council posters to have a few available during the PTI.
- 6.0 **New Business**
 - 6.1 - Nathan Discussion Item Wisdom and Guidance Committee: purpose of the wisdom and guidance committee was to have members and parents of the committee to come together, provide guidance and support our first nations students in the school. A question was asked: **How can we encourage and engage other parents in learning about the true history of Canada and Truth and Reconciliation? What kinds of actions or community efforts (ReconciliActions) could we take together to support this learning?** Very important question that Nathan wants us as school council to think about
 - 6.2 - Gideon Bible Approval - as per our annual task Gideon Bible has asked for permission to provide letters to the grade 5 students for consent to receive the Gideon Bible - **Natalie makes a motion to approve the Gideon Bibles to come into the school; Rose seconds; all passed**
- 7.0 **Next Meeting** - January 21, 2026 at 18:30
- 8.0 **Adjournment** - 19:20 Nicole Adjourns

PES School Council Society Meeting -

In Attendance:
Same as Council meeting

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- 2.0 Review of Agenda : Nicole presents the agenda; Danielle seconds; all passed
- 3.0 Approval of Minutes : Danielle presents meeting minutes from September AGM; Natalie seconds; all passed
- 4.0 Reports:
 - 4.1 Financial: Jacklyn absent but did provide Society Balance \$5026.02
 - 4.2 Committees
 - 4.2.1 Casino - Candace absent
 - 4.2.2 Fundraising - Rose confirms Purdy's has completed and finalized we are down a bit from last year we are lower but expected total \$20,505.50, this year it will not be two different cheques \$6459.23 total profit from the fundraiser that will come in the coming weeks. Delivery is from Nov 27 - Dec 3 and pickup to be scheduled and sorted. Hand outs are scheduled for December 11th with Parent Teacher Interviews. Everyone to look for fundraiser ideas and to send an email to everyone we could potentially try to get someone for Valentine's Day.
 - 4.2.3 Special Events - hot chocolate and candy canes - **Danielle makes a motion to spend up to \$750 on hot chocolate and candy canes for December 16th for the kids including Bright Futures; Lisa seconds; all passed all volunteers to be here 10:00**
- 5.0 Standing Business - no standing business at this time
- 6.0 Requests from school/school council society members - nothing at this time
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- 8.0 Adjournment - Nicole adjourns at 19:50