

PORTER CREEK SECONDARY SCHOOL COUNCIL
Minutes of Regular Meeting
January 8, 2025
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 Jennifer Floyd Neil Salvin Brice Harding Marcel Holder Robinson Jerry Zahora: Secretary Treasurer	Administration: Peter Giangrande: Principal Candice Deo: Vice Principal Nicole Cross: Vice Principal Marie Eve Own: A/Vice Principal
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Regrets: Sarah Kitz: Council Member

Guests: Richard Poirier: School Council Liaison
Natalie Sands: SASE Teacher
Terry Milne: WILD Teacher

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 6:36PM
2. **Adoption of Agenda:** Moved by Jessie, seconded by Brice, THAT the agenda be adopted with the additional of Terry Milne, WILD, presentation under Welcome Guests:
CARRIED
3. **Adoption of Minutes:** Moved by Neil, seconded by Jessie, THAT the Minutes of Regular Meeting, December 11, 2024 be adopted. CARRIED
- 3.1 **Welcome Guests:** Natalie Sands, SASE, (Gr. 9 Socials and Science Experiential) program teacher gave a presentation re: SASE bikes and the maintenance of them.
They have 22 bikes in total.
19 are Road/Gravel bikes
3 Mountain bikes (2 were donated, 1 was purchased)
There is a Bike Co-op which has been helping in maintaining bikes. Natalie has also been tuning them as well.

22 bikes need to be maintained with a plan that is financially sustainable for the program.
Wood Str. charges for bikes to be borrowed, which SASE does not.

Bike maintenance is a requirement and has to be done professionally due to liabilities. Currently SASE needs students to bring their own bikes as the bikes are not maintained to be usable or safe. However, student bikes are also unsafe.

Natalie is asking for \$1,500.00 to tune up approximately 13 bikes. As well, if bikes break on the trips, who pays for repairs? SASE cannot pay to replace parts on student bikes.

The needs are to have fully functioning bikes and this would allow using bikes for more outings. Both semesters are now full for SASE.

The Fall 2024 bike trip, 3 bikes were loaned and 13 students had to bring their own.

Icycle Sports charges \$115/bike. This is a small fee for parts, plus SASE will cover some. Bike Co-Op is expensive for parts or urgent work.

SASE students will do cleaning, etc. on the bikes.

MOTION: Moved by Jennifer, seconded by Neil, THAT the PORTER CREEK SECONDARY SCHOOL COUNCIL makes a MOTION to donate \$1,800.00 to SASE to help in maintenance of bikes for the program. CARRIED

Presentation by Terry Milne: WILD Program. (Wilderness Initiatives for Leadership Development)

The 1st day of WILD is January 21.

Some training:
Wilderness 1st Aid: Feb 10 -14
Ice Climbing: Feb 19 & 26
Whitehorse SAFE Snowmobiling
WMA Wilderness 1st Aid
Boreal River White River Rescue

Sleds are also used for Bison Hunt

There are various program supporters of the program:
Every Student Every Day
Make Way
Yukon Fish & Wildlife Enhancement Trust
Cabellas Outdoor Fund

7 students have their own sleds, school has 10

MOTION: Moved by Jennifer, seconded by Neil, THAT the PORTER CREEK SECONDARY SCHOOL COUNCIL makes a MOTION to donate \$1,800.00 to the WILD Program for some maintenance of the snowmobiles. **CARRIED**

4. **Parent/Community Issues:**

5. **Reports: Committees:**

5.1 Transportation Committee: Meeting to be held Feb. 25, 2025.

5.2 AYSCBC: Meeting to be held next week

6. **Principal's Report:**

- Enrolment: 584

Staffing Changes: Updates:

- Amanda Thomson to teach Compt. 8/Math 11
- Alexandra Morrison Rusas returns to teach French and Philosophy
- Jason Cook resigns as EA
- VP Backfill and English plus 2 more position posters are up or being concluded
- Brad Gustafson, Mike Kelly – 2nd Semester leaves

Social/Emotional/Spirit:

- Holiday Spirit activities – well received
- 3 Point basketball competition happening before end of Semester 2

Academic/Academic Support:

- Semester 1 exams begin Jan. 13.
- Jan 20th – DoE PD Day
- Looking at course selection and offerings for 25-26 school year, As well, staffing
- Next semester will include WILD and another semester of SASE
- Reports to be finalized by end of Jan

Arts/Athletics:

- Basketball season in progress
- Gr. 8 Hockey Canada Skills Academy will operate in second semester./ This gives students an opportunity to participate

School Growth/Curriculum/Assessment:

- PD Day, Jan. 20
- Mini assemblies will happen at beginning of 2nd semester

Facility/Health and Safety:

- Facility:
 - Working with Facilities and Property Management on:
 - Fire exits in cafeteria
 - Fire Drill: Jan. 7

Upcoming/Invitations/Council Requests Follow-up:

- Exam period: Jan 13 -17.
- Jan. 20th: PD Day
- 1st day of Semester 2 classes: Jan 21

Our School Survey Report: Parent Version 2024, School Council Summary:

Our School Survey Report: Student Version 2024, School Council Summary:

PCSS School Profile Graduation: School Year 2023-24:

7. **Treasurer's Report:** Balance in account: \$16,592.37

8. **Old Business and Correspondence:**

9. **New Business and Correspondence:**

9.1 Every Student Every Day: Information is required to close this off.

ACTION: Jerry to provide Admin with email and Admin to provide details.

DONE

10. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 8:09PM.
Next regular meeting: February 12, 2025

Misty Ticiniski:
Chair

Jerry Zahora:
Secretary Treasurer