

# General Stewart School Council

Monday, March 10, 2025

Learning Commons

## MINUTES

Attendees:

Heather Keith, Mitch Ward, Kenten Granau, Ainsley Croil,  
Jessica Robinson, Nadine Bosma, Rachel Hague

### 1. Welcome!

7:05pm

#### Adoption of Agenda

Jessica adopted

### 2. Approval of Jan.13/25 Meeting Minutes

Rachel adopted

#### Business arising from minutes:

##### a. Field Trip (end of year) Info.

We could not get Henderson pool, so we came up with other possibilities, Movie Mill is tentatively booked for the last day, \$350 for the theatre, \$315 bussing, plus snack order at \$5.50 each.

Staff like the idea of Henderson park activities. Movie mill is a place holder, but we could also book a Henderson shelter. Mr. Ward liked the movie idea, as he took two grades last year and it worked well.

We can look into both, planning the Henderson activities regardless for last day. Nutrition grant can cover the snacks.

We all agreed on booking the movie mill for a morning earlier that last week of school (offering the snack cost on school cash online as well, to offset the cost to council) Henderson activities in the morning of the last day!

##### b. Grade 5 Basketball

Finished up last Friday at Plaxton, went well! The idea was to get them all exposed to the sport, and had a lot of fun, learning lots. Another basketball season done, thank you Mr. Ward for coaching!

##### c. Mini kitchen reno update

Our kitchen got renovated! We were able to use money from the nutrition grant for a dishwasher, and money was pulled from the

reserves for the cabinets! New sink, dishwasher and cabinets, just needs some paint now!

**d. 2025-2026 Registration**

Candice will be here to catch parents during PTIs on Thursday to get parents to log on in the computer lab if they are still needing to or having difficulty logging on.

**e. Town Hall Info.**

Great way to have your concerns heard, very important for the division to make changes in the following year. Heather and Ainsley attended, our concerns and questions about the lack of music teacher were voiced.

**f. Pink Shirt Day, 100<sup>th</sup> Day of School, French Celebration of Learning, Family Art Night, Family Math Night, Flag Day Ceremony**

Math club from Winston Churchill hosted Math Night, which was a lot of fun, attendance was 40.

Paint night was great, attendance was 80, with only 60 RSVPing, which was a little stressful for the staff in setting up, but strong attendance is still encouraged.

Grade 4s did great in the French celebration of learning, thank you Mrs. McDonald!

Glen Miller, from the legion came to teach us about the flag and General Stewart, what a great resource! All the kids got a flag and a tattoo, and learned that flag day is always the day after? Valentines' day!

**3. Treasurer's Report - Rachel**

**School Council Account** \$5464.16

Not including the subway that must be taken out still,

Looking good for the field trips this year!

**4. Hot Lunch Report - Jessica**

**Taco in a bag lunch feedback**

Made \$117, made notes of how much we used, would do individual cups with the toppings for next time, rather than setting up each bag to the order's specifications. We always make more off the ones we make!

**Tim Hortons**

Made \$93, kids really liked it, smelled so good!

**Subway**

Made \$75, always a student favourite

## **5. Principal/School Report - Ainsley**

- a. **Report Cards available March 7** Paper copies came home on Friday, also available online, if you need help accessing the account, please contact the front office.
  
- b. **Student Lead Conferences - March 12 - Kindergarten, March 13- Grades 1-5** Student led conferences start this week, Wednesday for Kinder, and Thursday afternoon/evening for grades 1-5.
  
- c. **Enrichment Day – March 21** Nutrition month, so we are going to provide breakfast sandwiches from A&W this day! Students will get to participate in 2 of the following: PE activities, Stem activities from Lethbridge polytechnic, yoga, art, and coding!  
  
Being aware of Ramadan, so we will not force the food on everyone!
  
- d. **Middle School Registration** Middle school registration is coming up, grade 5 parents look out for the email.
  
- e. **Alberta Education Assurance Survey** Grade 4 and 5 students have completed this, and parent codes were sent home to the Parents of Grade 4 and 5, open until March 21, only 2 were completed so far.
  
- f. **Kindergarten Programming** Current numbers are 12, and the survey resulted in a split of half wanted morning kinder, and half wanting full day, so Ainsley kept with the half day, as it works well for Mrs. Shilliday's role as well.
  
- g. **LPS Pedestrian Safety** LPS Blitz at the school last week, crosswalk safety was the focus. Parents and students got lectured about J walking, and overall safety.
  
- h. **Bacon Fundraiser- April-May** The school will be selling fresh bacon in 10-15lbs boxes, not cheap, but good quality and last long. We think it will be \$90-\$100 per box, depending on the cut and pick. This will be done online, with pickup at the school for before May long weekend.  
  
This is a fundraiser for a revamp of the learning commons and filling any other gaps where needed. Not a fundraiser for school council.

- i. **Clubs- Coding Club, Board Game Club and Run Club** For Grade 4 and 5, Christine Clayton is running a coding club. Starting March 18, on Wednesdays Run club will be starting, leading to signing up for the little soul's marathon. running 42 km total . 3 laps inside the school grounds is 1km, the club is being run by Mrs. Croil with Mrs. Huckabay helping.
- j. **Pizza with the Principal** On to the grade 3s now, with the goal of the whole school by the end of the year.

## 6. New Business & Correspondence

**Teacher/Staff Appreciation – Possible dates April 28-May 2 Week** In the past we have done the teacher lunches, a whole week of treats, cards from students.

We penciled in May 5-9, school council will text each other ideas. Candice could send an email for parent sign up, looking for parent participation, drop off things in the staff room?

**Panago Pizza Night – March 18 – Poster to put up** Emailed it out to parents on Saturday, this is a big fundraiser, 15% of all sales at the North Panago go to General Stewart! Wade is alumni and treats us well!

**Online Safety Presentation – March 27 @ 7p.m. Casa Community Room at 230-8 St.S. ALERT ICE Unit welcoming parents to attend.** Not age appropriate for students because of the content being discussed but encouraging parents to attend.

**ASCA Saturday, April 26, 2025, Virtual – Deadline to register is April 14 @ 1p.m.** It is being held in Edmonton, in person attendees are eligible for reimbursement up to \$250 for hotel and travel fees.  
Deadline to register is April 14, 1pm.

## 7. District School Council Report – minutes on website

**Next Meeting – April 7 @ 6:30p.m.** Heather meant to attend last Monday's meeting but was unable to. Heather would be interested in being the division rep for next year.

## 8. Next Meeting Date

**Monday, April 14, @ 7p.m. in the Learning Commons**

## 9. Adjournment

8:21 pm

## **Building Bridges to Higher Level of Student Success**

### Important Dates

March 11 & 18 – Storyteller at Large

March 12 – Kinder PTI –No School Kinder

March 13 – No Kinder, No School afternoon for Students PTI

March 14 – NO School PL Day

March 17 – NO School PL Day

March 18 – Panago Pizza Fundraiser Day

March 21 – Enrichment Day

March 24 – Theatre for Young Audiences – Whole School Field Trip

March 26 – Division Digital Wellness Day

March 26 – Mucho Burrito Hot Lunch

March 27 – Online Safety Presentation at Casa

April 7 - Green Shirt Day, Band Recruiting Grade 5

Division School Council 6:30pm

April 9 – Quiznos Hot Lunch