

South Nelson Elementary School PAC Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday October 8th 2025

South Nelson Library, 6:30pm -8pm

Attendees:

Cindy, Tyler, Shannon, Steph, Colleen, Sarah L, Carly, Renae, Sarah C, Dawn S

Motions Approved:

- September meeting minutes
- Transfer of funds from gaming account to chequing account (\$1461.31) so Tyler can E-transfer payments
- \$1000 for upfront supplies for Paint and Sip Night

Land Acknowledgement – Dawn

Welcome from Cindy:

- Great turn out for the last coffee social which led to a few new parents stepping up to volunteer
- Motion to approve September minutes – approved by Cindy and Carly

Dawn Principal's Report:

- Terry Fox run was a success and we raised more than our goal with an end total of \$1200
- Truth and Reconciliation Day: Kids wrote a message on an orange shirt to describe how they were going to practice reconciliation
- Art cards have already been submitted so they will be back in time to mail out before Christmas
- A lot of outdoor learning days with Wild Sight (Slocan Pools) and Kokanee Creek
- XC running; Monday mornings all kids practice running around the school, the cross-country running meet will be the 17th of October at Lakeside Park with many South Nelson students attending
- Student council has started up and they are planning Halloween activities
- School safety drills underway this month
- Early dismissal is next week on Wednesday the 15th and Thursday the 16th for afternoon individual parent interviews

- Gr 4 government math and literacy tests (called the Foundation Skills Assessment or FSA) are underway
- Remembrance Day assembly will be the 10th of November as the 11th is a holiday
- Winter Concert will be on December 11th during the day
- Parents still need to get their volunteer forms sent in if they want to participate in any class activities or volunteer for field trips
- Dawn is offering an orientation (maybe a Friday morning at drop off and maybe a recording) for volunteers
- A few parents are needed to help out with the cross-country running meet at Lakeside - contact Mrs Bonnikowsky or Leanne Douglas

Financial Report – Tyler

- We have received the Gaming grant, which is \$3700 this year, in our gaming account
- No Art Starts Grants are being given this year meaning we don't need to spend the \$1500 (that they would match)
- Motion to transfer funds from the gaming account to the chequing account (\$1461.31) so Tyler can E-transfer payments: Motion approved by Cindy, Shannon and Colleen
- Dawn to bring costs to us for winter activities and swimming lessons for next month's meeting for us to vote on early to give us a better idea of our financials for the rest of the year
- Dogman Movie Night Friday October 17th : Thank you for the awesome poster Tyler. We have decided to increase the price of pizza to \$4 at the door and \$3 if you order ahead of time online on Munchalunch.
- Selling South Nelson toques at Movie Night and the prices will be 1 for \$25 or 2 for \$45 (Sarah C to count toques and give boxes to Colleen)

Fundraisers Shannon

- Nov 30th is Purdy's / Georama order deadline – pickup for both will be on December 15th
- Mabels Labels is up and running just make sure to use the code: South Nelson Elementary
- Opening our online Holiday Market on November 12th for ordering and will close on the 27th of November. Pick up will be December 6th to 9th so people have time to mail goods out for presents if needed.

- Grocery cards (Save on Foods and Kootenay Coop) open Monday and the email will go out Tuesday so parents can order at Movie Night. Monica to help with the QR code
- Santa's workshop will be December 17th (the stage room is okay to use for storage)
- Paint and Sip will be Tuesday November 18th from 7-9pm at the Best Western (committee meeting next week to figure out the details). Ticket prices are \$50 and come with art supplies and a drink. Cindy to ask Save On if we can have a grocery card donated for food at the event
- Motion to approve \$1000 for upfront supplies for Paint and Sip Night – Approved by Colleen and Sarah C
- Indigo has a fundraiser where people can donate to our school when they buy a book. We are hoping to get on board hopefully in the spring

Monica Hot Lunch

- Pizza Wednesdays: Still looking for volunteers to help Steph
- Uphill Market had a little hiccup with timing of hotdogs (hopefully this week is smoother). Carly to check in with Amy (Uphill Market) to see if it is all okay at their end
- Monica has now taken away the munchalunch sign up for lunch volunteers so she can manage the signup doc via email
- Robyn is continuing to manage the lunch role for ordering and will check condiments (as well as hotdog and sushi day volunteers)
- Monica will put the fundraiser button back on Munchalunch to allow people to have the option to buy a lunch for a student in need at checkout

Playground Update

- Francois is hoping to break ground in April (timed for when they repair Kokanee zipline to save the transportation costs of his crew) and he is sending his quote and options hopefully in time for our November meeting.

Actions:

- Colleen to ask Jenn (Tubes of a Feather) to be a vendor
- Colleen to ask Cheryl about the French school Grocery card monthly ordering system
- Sarah to make a poster for Grocery Cards and try to link a QR code (Monica to help with QR code)
- Sarah C to count toques and give boxes to Colleen

- Cindy to ask Save On if we can have a grocery card donated for food at the Paint and Sip
- Carly to check in with Amy (Uphill Market) to see if it is all okay at their end
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The next meeting will be our AGM and will take place on Wednesday November 12th 2025 (6:30pm South Nelson Library)

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