

South Nelson Elementary School PAC Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday November 12th 2025

South Nelson Library, 6:30pm -8pm

Attendees:

Cindy, Tyler, Shannon, Colleen, Renae, Dawn S, Anna S, Monica

Motions Approved:

- October meeting minutes (Cindy and Renae)
- \$3000 from the gaming grant to allocate to winter activities and swimming (Colleen and Renae)
- Moving our financial year to Sept 1- Aug 31 (Renae, Anna)
- \$2000 for lunch support in the spring if the trust funds run out and there are not enough donations on munchalunch.com (Cindy and Shannon)

Land Acknowledgement – Dawn Snell (Principal)

Welcome from Cindy (PAC Chair):

- Approval of October meeting minutes
- Thank you to Sarah L for organizing the Grocery Card fundraiser. Reflections: QR code on the poster drives people to munchalunch.com even though e-transfers are better financially for us as we aren't paying the cc fee. However, with e-transfers people then don't see the donate button so we were down in our donations.
- AGM – everyone was in favor of retaining the current PAC positions which included: Cindy – Chair, Carly – Vice Chair, Tyler – Treasurer, Colleen – Secretary, Shannon - Fundraising Coordinator, Monica – Munchalunch
- Next year September will be our AGM as it is our most attended meeting
- Motion to approve our financial year be from Sept 1- Aug 31. This is beneficial to the treasurer as invoices sometimes aren't issued until summer. Motion approved.
- Look into getting South Nelson hoodies made like we did in the past – Anna to check with Sport Factor and Big Cranium)
- Holiday meeting December 17th at Marzanos. Cindy to call for a reservation.

Dawn Principal's Report:

Looking back on October:

- Classroom open houses were held
- 40 kids went to the rainy cross country running meet at Lakeside Park.
- FSA grade 4 tests are now completed.
- Safety preparedness drills went well even though there was no actual fire alarm.
- Halloween was a success with a parade and dance.
- Avalanche training for one of the older classes
- Remembrance day assembly
- Push to get all students to learn their math facts fluidly

Looking Forward:

- Earth Rangers Assembly will be November 21st 9am-10am
- Learning updates go online December 5th
- Winter concert scheduled for December 10th at 1:30pm
- Winter Break runs December 22nd to January 2nd
- How PAC can partner with the school:
 - Winter Activities grades 4-6 downhill skiing at Whitewater four times is \$2000 (for students who need support)
 - Grade 3 XC skiing four times will be \$576
 - Swimming lessons for grades 2-4 for four lessons will be \$500.
 - Motion to approve \$3000 from the gaming grant for winter activities and swimming (Colleen and Renae)
- We as a school are feeding kids as feeding futures won't cover hot lunches. At the moment there is money in the trust account to feed kids which might run out in the spring. Hoping to keep the donate a lunch button on munchalunch.com to keep the lunch fund topped up
 - Motion to approve \$2000 for lunch support in the spring (Cindy and Shannon)

Financial Report – Tyler

- We have about \$9000 available for use now with a lot of funds coming in from fundraisers and the Holiday Market opening today
- See attached financial report.

Fundraisers Shannon

- Paint and Sip next Tuesday and 35 tickets were sold. We can't bring our own food so if you want anything to eat you need to order off the menu (which is fine because we

should support the Hume who have donated the space). We have boxed wine which we pay a corkage fee on. Beth will be the paint filler and runner for the night. Renae, Carly, Cindy, Adrianna and Colleen to help Jen set up all the art supplies and tables.

- Holiday Market is up and running. However, Nelson Olive Oil is not online yet. For the Tubes of a Feather earrings, the photos are the same for both styles, so we need to update photos ASAP.
- Colleen, Renae, Sarah C, Steph C and Carly to help sort Holiday Market goodies.
- Santas Workshop – sign up genius is all set up and the donation box (donations stored in dressing room) November 17th – December 5th donation drop off at Sunflower door. Donation of \$5 to get 5 gifts,
- Purdy's is open now

Monica Hot Lunch

- There have been glitches with munchalunch.com with kids' lunches getting deleted (2 families). Robyn reopened and fixed it.
- Renae to help with Wednesday pizza until Christmas (December 10th we will bump pizza pickup to 11:30 so kids can eat before the concert)
- Monica to ask Robyn if we could swap hot dog and pizza days as pizza is more labour intensive and more parents are available on Fridays.

Playground Update

- No 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 next meeting.

Actions:

- Look into South Nelson hoodies – Anna (sport factor and big cranium)
- Tyler to look into bulk low sodium soysauce
- Dawn to ask the district about getting gagaball pit and how Trafalgar's was funded
- Cindy to call Marzano to make a reservation for Dec 17th
- Fix Tubes of a Feather photos on the Holiday Market site.

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Next meeting December 17th at 6:30pm at Marzanos

