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School Council Meeting
Thursday, May 15, 2025

In Attendance:

Mark Hopkins - Principal
Amanda Bennie – Teacher Representative
Suzanne Hall - Chair
Brittany Hunter - Secretary
Trish Rayner - Treasurer
Paul Hatala – Voting Member
Joanna Seymour - Voting Member
Jen Valente - Voting Member
Sarah Ewing - Voting Member
Laden Milsome - Voting Member-arrived at 7:12
Wendy Tanner - Voting Member
Floriane Schroers - Voting Member

Meeting Started at 6:35 PM

1. Welcome

- Quorum established with 9 voting members present

2. Land Acknowledgement (Suzanne Hall)

3. Approval of Minutes

- Approval of the minutes from the April 2025 meeting was done on May 1st 2025 via online vote. The minutes passed, and were posted online

4. Treasurer's Update (Trish Rayner)

- \$2927.57 as of May 12th
- Will be decreasing by \$450 dollars when the bill for microphones is received

5. Fundraising Committee Update

- **French Café**
 - Pass along info for French café when it is received, numbers and any other info, school cash had just closed today
- **Used Book Sale**
 - Start collecting books on May 26th, we will need some boxes
 - We will need a flyer, Floriane volunteered for that
 - Deadline Friday June 13th to donate books
 - Volunteers needed to sort and organize the donated books
 - \$0.25 a book and \$5 for dollar for the book sale

6. Ongoing Business

- Rural Schools Advisory Council Update



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- Budget hasn't changed
- Transportation was a conversation, with looking for more ways to have up to date tracking and better communication
- **End of the Year Picnic**
 - Sign up sheet will be coming out, for picking a station to help with (Greeter, Pizza Table (in shifts), Book Sale
 - Order extra pizza, for the grade one families, as everything is a preorder they do not have access to
 - Beavertails, ice cream, pizza, book sale, hearts, photo booth, fire truck, field games
 - Need tables and coolers
- **School Council Funds**
 - DPA- \$400 (outdoor volleyballs, soccer balls, basketballs)
 - MJ Team Jerseys (45)- \$1300
 - Robotics- \$1000 for two new kits
 - **Motion: That Student council will donate \$2000 from fundraising to go towards new team uniforms and robotic kits. (Suzanne Hall)**
 - **Seconded: Trish Rayner**
 - **For: 10**
 - **Against: 0**
 - **Abstentions: 0**
 - **Motion Carried: YES**
- 7. **Teacher Staff Update (Amanda Bennie)**
 - The play was completed, a lot of effort from the whole school and community
 - EQAO starting
 - Jump Rope for Heart next week
 - Outdoor ED in servicing, teachers have started teaching outside with their students
- 8. **Principals Update (Mark Hopkins)**
 - Discussion to ask questions of where we go next
 - Filling in on the **Indigenous Education Circle Strategic Action Plan**, and how to support
- 9. **Next Meeting (Suzanne Hall)**
 - September 2025
- 10. **Adjournment**
 - **Motion: School Council moves to adjourn the May 2025 meeting (Suzanne Hall)**
 - **Second: Paul Hatala**
 - **For: 10**
 - **Against: 0**
 - **Abstentions: 0**
 - **Motion Carried: YES**

Meeting Adjourned at 8:08 PM