



# South Meadow Elementary School

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## School Council Meeting Minutes

**Date:** November 29, 2024

**Time:** 6:00pm

**Location:** Online

### **South Meadow Staff:**

Jennifer Harvey (Principal)

Nassim Assadian (Vice Principal)

Andrew Zanatta (Teacher)

### **School Council Members:**

Chair: Cheryl Martinez

Vice Chair: Andrea Smith

Treasurer: Natalia Njegovan

Secretary: Suzana Mijatovic Bacigalupo

Voting Members:

Diana Miskovic

Antonia Grmusa

Juliana Mrkobrada

Sohail Bhatti

Janella Bellio

- 1. Welcome and Attendance**
- 2. Land Acknowledgement**  
Read by Cheryl Martinez
- 3. Approval of Agenda and Minutes**  
Mentioned by: Cheryl Martinez

Seconded by: Andrea Smith



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## 4. Principal report/update – Mrs. Jennifer Harvey

- **Enrollment update.** student population is 595
- **Sports Teams/Clubs.**
  - Sr Boys Volleyball continues with finals this week
  - Basketball (Sr girls & boys) tryouts taking place (Mrs. Pickard-girls, Mr. Kendall boys)
  - Crotchet club meeting weekly (Ms. Gordon)
  - Junior Basketball – tryouts late February
  - Band/Choir
  - Robotics club
- **Boundary Review**
  - 4 options being presented
  - Two advisory meetings, 1 public
  - Next public meeting Orchard park, 6pm
- **Trips**
  - Gr 4 Trip to Royal Botanical Gardens – November
  - Green Venture Workshops for Grade 3 – December
  - Winter Social –December 18
- **Wizard of Oz – rehearsals/planning taking place**
  - Most of the cast chosen
  - Scripts purchased
  - Staff helping with play:
    - Ms. Foltar – Planning of play
    - Mr. Hater – lights/tech .
    - Calner/Ms. Staples – set
    - Other teachers helping with rehearsals
  - Timing: More than likely run at end of May
  - Main costumes purchased
  - No extra fundraising for the board
  - Asks of Parent Council and community:
    - Set design/props
    - BIG cardboard or smooth wood, it would be great if we could mount wheels on the wood to turn it easily.



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- Paint and brushes for the backgrounds (all colours)
- Christmas trees that we can decorate colorfully to become a barrier in the gym, people can donate theirs and take them back. We will need 20-30 of them.
- Props, broomstick, crystal ball, small bike for the beginning scenes, oil can, basket, many more that's just a start.
- Canvassing sponsors and local businesses – we can add them to a program
- **Council money.** \$400 in bank under School Council
- **Fundraising in the School:**
  - Pizza – proceeds are used to purchase iPads/laptops for students. 10 laptops \$8k. 10 ipads \$6k
  - Popcorn – proceeds used for Grad/year end trips
  - Dielman's (fall) – partially paid for School Play Scripts
  - School Council Spring – class trips/Walk n Wheels
  - Subs – school play/trips
- **Events:**
  - Packtivity was today
  - Winter Social (week before the break)
    - Performances (3 – parents will be invited, still working on date/format – Mrs. Pink/Mrs. Sirianni are heading this up) More than likely 3 different performances throughout the day – we ask that parents stay for the duration of the show.
  - Giving Tree wraps up this week – huge success! Thank you to the parents/guardians/community of South Meadow!!

## 5. AST (Active School Travel) Update- Cheryl Martinez

Our goal is to get more students using travel modes that are active, safe, and sustainable. This means more children walking, wheeling (bicycle, scooter, skateboard, wheel chair) or taking the school bus or public transit for all or part way of their journey to and from school each day.

Coming Up AST Events

- Winter Walk day is the first Wednesday of February being the 5<sup>th</sup>

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- Spring into Spring Month is April which is an annual celebration of the new season encouraging participants to spend more time being active outdoors throughout the month
- Earth Day is April 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Walk & Wheels Wednesdays will be back again in June for the first 3 Wednesdays we will have Walk & Wheels awareness with prizes of course! We can start collecting donations asap.

Communication for each event will be sent out in advance to encourage participation. We will need to start collecting prizes for the student's participation and we will need to start a sub-committee.

Please email the school council if you have anything you may be able to donate as prizes or would like to volunteer your time

## 6. Holiday Fundraiser Overview

- We have finished up and handed out today the Dieleman Fundraising again as it was a hit and we raised \$1,156.86 which is going towards the script for the play which was over \$1500.
- We were excited to see the interest and support we had this year and want to thank everyone who was able to participate! We look forward to trying one in the spring.

## 7. Parent Engagement Pro Grant Update

- We have applied and we will share updates if approved.
- Looking to host a engaging parent/guardian mingling night.
- Timing: April/May

## 8. Spring fundraiser ideas:

- Auction
- Gourmet cookies
- Parent café – timing May 1<sup>st</sup> week of May

## 9. Meeting Adjournment: 6:55pm

Mentioned by: Cheryl Martinez

Seconded by: Andrea Smith