

Duclos School Council Meeting
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March 25, 2025, 6:30PM @Duclos School

Present: JoDee Conrad (Acting Principal), Morgan Ferbey (Acting Vice Principal), Stacy Bauer (Teacher Representative), Sarah Severn (Chair), Melanie Eide (recording secretary)

Online: Leila Brosseau (Vice-Chair) Alaina Gamache, Katrina Paul, Leila Brosseau, Brittany Rivard

1. Call to Order

Sarah Severn called the meeting to order at 6:34pm.

2. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Sarah Severn that the Duclos School Council approves adoption of the February 25, 2025 Duclos School Council meeting minutes. Seconded by Leila Brosseau.

CARRIED

3. Board Trustee Report

Tabled

4. Principal's Report

4.1. Grade 4 Classes

Mrs. Franklin is on an extended leave, tried to cover the class with subs and admin while they posted the position. Ultimately they were unable to fill the teaching position and have decided to combine the class into the other three Grade 4 classes. Each class has around 26 Kids per class now. The consistency of being in one class will be a much better option for everyone.

4.2. Swimming Lessons Start April 28

Fees are due now and can be paid on School Cash Online

4.3. Farm Safety in May

May 28th and 29th for the whole school

4.4. Assurance Survey Extended: Updated Numbers

23 responses so far out of 78 which is actually a good number, deadline has been extended to April 2nd to allow time for more responses.

5. Foundation Updates

5.1. AGM

April 7th at 6:00pm in the HEB Learning commons. 7 positions needing to be filled, all board positions and director positions are open. We are needing more members to help keep our AGLC Licence and most recent Casino Funds

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5.2. Love of Art

Made \$8,359. Profit will still be 35% of that so around \$2500-2900

Going to make a packet for the teachers with ideas of art that has been quite popular for next year.

5.3. Account Balances

Duclos Main Account balance: \$9819.54

Casino account is sitting at \$10,000 ish

6. Business

6.1. Cultural Presentation

Member reached out to Kikino northern light dancers today to talk to them about a Metis Jigging performance for the cost of \$1500 - regular groups typically pay includes a few dance troop members, powerpoint video, books, teach kids sash dance. They would be hired for the whole day and would work well in PE classes - They are available April 10, which works for Duclos.

Melanie Eide Motions to ask Foundation to fund the Kikino Northern Lights Dancers performance. Alaina Gamache seconds the motion, all in favour, motion CARRIED.

John Ritchie - Goes to Aurora Traditional metis survival skills, hands on

New Dawn Women's Metis Foundation is looking to get into more presentations.

6.2. Breakfast Program

Currently the Breakfast Club of Canada is not accepting anymore schools into the group proposal that NLPS already has.

JoDee is going to contact other Elementary schools that are part of the program and see what they do

Member has offered to speak with the SAC at Cold Lake Elementary to see how they run their program and if it's feasible for Duclos.

7. Upcoming Events

- March 27: Parent Teacher Interviews 4-9PM
- March 28: PreSchool Open House/Staff PD/No School for Students

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- April 1 and 2: Dragonfly Presentations K, 2 and 4
- April 2: Autism Awareness Day - Wear Blue
- April 11: PJ Day
- April 12 - 21: Spring Break - Return to school April 22
- April 25: Dress in One Colour Day

8. Blue Bags in Classrooms

Emergency Bags in each classroom with mylar blankets for fire drills, evacuation drills etc. Member is asking if we would be able to provide more bags

9. Retractable Banners - House Team Banners for the Gym for assemblies and events

\$174 Vinyl \$194 fabric Thinkwerx can do them for \$215 for the Economy version (hardware may not last as long) all in with the graphics or \$275 for the Deluxe Version all in (sturdier, more durable stand, hardware)

Alaina Gamache motions to ask the Foundation to pay for the banners, Leila Brosseau seconds, all in favour, motion is CARRIED.

10. Topics for Next Meeting Consideration

- 10.1. Blue Bags for classroom
- 10.2. Sports Day
- 10.3. Movie night

11. Next Scheduled Meeting

Next meeting scheduled for April 29th, 2025 at 6:30PM

12. Adjournment

Moved by Sarah Severn that the meeting be adjourned at this time being 7:28PM. Seconded by Melanie Eide.

CARRIED