

Cecil Swanson School Council
Minutes Date: January 21, 2025

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Present:

1. **Call to Order** – Called to order by Jane Johnson at 6:05 pm
2. **Welcome and Introductions** – Jane Johnson, Jeffrey Johnson, Medin Medin, Kevin Whitton (principal), Joan Murtagh (Assistant Principal)
3. **Approval of the Agenda** – The agenda was approved as presented, or as amended by: Jane Johnson
Seconded by Jeffrey Johnson
4. **Approval of the Minutes** – The minutes of the meeting held on November 19, 2024, were approved as presented by Jane Johnson

Seconded by Jeffrey Johnson
5. **Business Arising From Minutes**
 - 5.1 No business arising
6. **Principal Report: See Attached Reports** (main discussion point - video surveillance system engagement as the CBE is updating current camera system)
7. **Treasurer's Report – School Council Account: \$ 2,125.25**
8. **New Business/Discussion Items**
 - 8.1 Received a prepaid card from Alberta Education to enhance parental involvement and engagement
 - 8.2 Video surveillance system engagement – Benefits of the installation, potential concerns, initiative of the camera system.
9. **Next Meeting** - The next meeting will be held on Tuesday March 11, 2025, at 6:00 pm in person at Cecil Swanson School.
10. **Adjourned** – Meeting was adjourned at 6:31 pm

Notes prepared by Jeffrey Johnson

Approved by: Jane Johnson

Cecil Swanson School Society

Date: January 21, 2025

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Present:

1. **Call to Order** – Called to order by Jane Johnson at 6:34 pm
2. **Welcome and Introductions** – Jane Johnson, Jeffrey Johnson, Medin Medin, Kevin Whitton (principal), Joan Murtagh (Assistant Principal)
3. **Approval of the Agenda** – The agenda was approved as presented, or as amended by: Jane Johnson
Seconded by Jeffrey Johnson
4. **Approval of the Minutes** – The minutes of the meeting held on November 19, 2024, were approved as presented by Jane Johnson
Seconded by Jeffrey Johnson
5. **Business Arising From Minutes**
 - 5.1 No business arising
6. **Reports**
 - 6.1 *Treasurer's Report* – Casino account at \$ 69,540.50
7. **New Business/Discussion Items**
 - 7.1 Bank statement opened.
8. **Funding Requests:** No new funding requests
9. **Next Meeting** - The next meeting will be held on Tuesday March 11,2025 at 6:30 pm In person at Cecil Swanson School following the 6:00pm School Council Meeting at Cecil Swanson School.
10. **Adjourned** – Meeting was adjourned at 6:36 pm

Notes prepared by: Jeffrey Johnson

Approved by: Jane Johnson



Updates

▪ **Staffing Updates**

- We have added an additional 20h Education Assistant due to increased student complexity. Welcome to Fatima Abou-Ali, who has worked at Cecil Swanson on a casual/temporary basis the past few months.

- We are expecting a small amount of Learning Intervention funding based on the results of the Alberta Education literacy and numeracy assessments, K-3. This funding will support a short intervention period for identified students.

▪ **School Development Plan Updates**

- Our School Development Plan was approved and is now posted to the Cecil Swanson Website.

- School Goal – Students foundational skills in Literacy and Mathematics will improve

- School Outcome – Students' phonological awareness and decoding will improve

- School Outcome – Students' mathematical number concepts will improve

▪ **Other Updates**

- Intramurals are continuing for Grades 3-6. This week is basketball.

- Cecil Swanson is recognizing Family Literacy Day on January 27. This is a day to support engagement with literacy at home and at school. Home resources will be shared with families, with literacy activities at school.

- Report Cards are viewable online on January 27. Grades 1-6 receive reporting on all courses. Kindergarten students receive reporting on EAL, ELAL, and Mathematics

- We are planning to participate on Feb 5 in Winter Walk Day. Students will engage in a 15 min walk in our community. Volunteers are welcome to join. More information coming soon.

- Video Surveillance System Engagement

- Overview of VST and Benefits

- VST Collection, Use, Access, Controls

- Request for Feedback

- **Upcoming Dates of Significance for CBE:**

- Jan 29 – Lunar New Year
 - February is Black History Month

- **Upcoming Events**

- Mon Jan 27 – Report Cards, Family Literacy Day
- Spirit Day Wed Jan 29 – Crazy Hat/Hair, or Shirt Day
 - Wed Feb 5 – Winter Walk Day
 - Thursday, January 30 – Gr. 5 Telus Spark Field Trip
 - Friday, January 31 – Non Instructional Day – No school for all students
 - Thurs/Fri February 13/14 – Teachers’ Convention – No school for all students
 - Monday, February 17 – Family Day – No school for all students