MINUTES Midnapore School Council Meeting

Date of Meeting: October 26, 2026
Time: 6:30pm
Location: Hybrid Meeting

1. IN ATTENDANCE
   - Greg Bennett
   - Monica Lee
   - Sharlene Tamura
   - Tara Heater
   - Carrie Meanley
   - Xu Wang
   - Erron Grasby
   - Jenine Stel
   - Jenny Trinh
   - Hicham

2. CALL TO ORDER
   - The meeting was called to order by Jenine Stel at 6:30 pm, and a quorum was present (3 executive members, Principal and 5 parents)

3. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS
   - Jenine Stel welcomed everyone to the meeting

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETNING
   - September 14, 2026, Parent Council Meeting Minutes - **Motion from Sharlene Tamura to approve, Monica Lee seconded the motion, and approved by consensus**

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES
   5.1 N/A

6. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA – **Motion from Sharlene Tamura to approve, Jenine Stel seconded the motion, and approved by consensus**

6.1 Chinese Heritage Education for families – Xu Wang (5 minutes)
- 2 teachers from CBE
- Could booking into April 2027
- Interviewed several families in Alberta and created a graphic novel about Chinese Settlers in Alberta
- This would be for $500 – use the funds that are available
- This would be open to families (parents and kids)
- They could also talk about creative writing
- If we have the kids involved, then they have to be an approved vendor with CBE

6.2 Staff Appreciation - Budget increase by $800 to cover Shout out Friday's. Mrs. Song was funding in the past – mini gift of 3/week. - Monica Lee (5 minutes)
- Current staff appreciation budget is $7,000 for the year. Request is to increase by $800
- ***Vote at the next meeting***

7 REPORTS

7.1 Treasury Report

- Midnapore School Council account balance - $30,901
  - ~$16,000 for furniture still to come out of this amount

7.2 Principal Report

- Great Pumpkin event – students can bring in on Thursday Oct. 29
- 3 dances on Oct 30
- Veterans' food bank for admission for the dance
- Remembrance Day Assembly Nov 10 – families invited
- PE/Residency Plan
  - 10 days Sound Kreations – booked 8 days in March
  - Pottery Art Winter Community – booked 5 days in December
- December
  - Theme light up the night
  - Make cards for seniors
  - Going to make ornaments to give to seniors and for families
  - There will be day and evening concert – Dec. 17
- Government Assessments to be shared with parents, parents will receive a hard copy this Thursday
- Casel framework – is underway a
- School Development Plan is online and will be shared in November

7.3 Student Report (ALP, Grade 1 and EES)

- ALP – Friyay Café
  - Serving coffee/tea on Friday to staff
- EES (enhanced educational services)
  - The new program this year
  - Getting settled into the school
- Grade 1
  - 2 mandarin classes and 1 English class
  - Celebrated mid autumn celebration
  - Went to fish creek together

7.4 Staff Appreciation

- Boo basket for October
- Waffle shack is coming in November

7.5 Key Communicator

- Meetings set for Jan 20, Apr 22 and Jun 10
- No updates

8 NEW BUSINESS

8.1 Volunteer Tea

- Bookkeeper requested money to reimburse funds
- We had not voted on this before the event, and the receipts went missing
- $269 spent at Superstore for supplies and food
- ***Vote at the next meeting***

8.2 Funding Requests

- Halloween glow sticks (School Council Account) - 1 for each student for the dance
- Grade 6 students camp fees (AGLC) - $3,000

        - This is the deficit from last year for students that haven't paid
        - The Midnapore School pays the field trips up front
        - ***Vote at the next meeting***
    - Documentation camera - $300
        - ***Vote at the next meeting***
    - Learning Commons Rack (AGLC) - $150
        - Looking for racks to place magazines
        - ***Vote at the next meeting***
    - Family in needs funds (School Council Account))
        - There is a family in need and looking for funds for jackets/winter clothes
    - Parent Presentation
        - I Got Mind will cost ~$2,000 and will reach out for availability
        - Mr. Bennett talked to his contact and Midnapore School has $2,500 in fund for parent event

9 NEXT MEETING

- Date: November 23, 2026
- Time: 6:30pm
- Location: Virtual Meeting
- Council meeting first then fundraising meeting

6 ADJOURNMENT – **Motion to adjourned from Sharlene Tamura, Monica Lee seconded the adjournment, and was approved by consensus**

- Time: 7:27pm

Notes prepared by ___Sharlene Tamura_____ _____ _____
(print name) (signature)

Notes approved by _____ _____
(print name) (signature)