

**MONTHLY MEETING FOR THE SCHOOL COUNCIL OF COLONEL SANDERS TLC
SCHOOL**

Day: Wednesday Date and Time: February 18th, 2026 and 6:15 pm

Present:

PARENTS: Dorothy J.(Chair), Danielle S. (Chair), Bhavna B. (Treasurer),
(Spirit Committee)Yuki S., Bhavna B plus 11 additional parents.

ADMINISTRATION: Alex C-G (Principal), Gina Davidoff (Assistant Principal)

Pre-meeting chat time with parents at 6:15pm

1. **Call to Order** – The school council meeting was called to order by Danielle S. and Dorothy J., at **6:32pm**. Quorum was present.
 - *Quorum (Any 2 officers, a representative from the administration and 4 parents/non officers)*
2. **Agenda** – Approved by Danielle S.
3. **Administrative Report** –
 - Alex and Gina: 2026 school planning and fees
 - Discussing this now to share information about school planning at Colonel Sanders School and gather feedback that may be considered in making future school planning decisions.
 - This is Year 2 of a 3 Year plan
 - Our Goal – Students achieve excellence in literacy and mathematics
 - Specific Goal – science vocabulary will be an area of focus for learning excellence, (within English language arts and literature, vocabulary and disciplinary literacy). We also are looking at increasing student engagement through the new science curriculum.
 - Outcome – students are capable of using specific vocab when representing their understanding using Frayer model. Using pics/draw/sentence
 - Measure outcomes with assurance frameworks survey, report cards and EAL benchmarks
 - Monitor progress – Evaluate at beginning and end of teaching by teachers for each organizing idea. Compare across years to see if we have gotten stronger as teachers in communicating scientific vocabulary.
 - Actions – implementation of literacy framework, targeted professional learning and resources for teachers (e.g. Stepping into science provided by government, still in progress and developing resources, partially funded by school and CBE and SC)
 - Well being – support students academically through common structures and vocab across the years
 - For Truth and Reconciliation, Diversity and Inclusion actions – Implement 5 culturally responsive teaching strategies and build student identity through books and literature
 - Budget for school \$2,896,546 in 2025-2026 – 75% staffing remaining covers instru and ops supplies
 - \$1,868,378 for teachers
 - \$281,023 for support staff
 - \$592,997 admin
 - \$2,742,398 total staffing
 - Painting and shelving – supplies/others costs

- Some materials from Throncliff for KG, some new e.g. book area, dolls, dramatic area to prepare for KG next year
- Fees used for – field trips, in-school activities , SC typically funds a musical and a residency once a year (sounds creations may this year)
- CBE school fees guide lets schools know what they are allowed to charge – cannot charge over , can be under. Includes field trips and the bussing fees
- Report to parents on fees available online (through ppt) little bit of loss covered by SC, mainly due to families being unable to pay due to financial situation – nego with parents
- Many extras/fun funded by casino funded raiser and other activities – important to let parents know what is being paid for by SC not by CBE/govt.
- More clear communication to get parents involved, most get School Development Plan (SDP) information from email and this meeting
- All who attended the meeting agree that child’s learning can benefit from goal, actions and resources in SDP
- Most agree that Learning of all students is reflected and prioritised in goal, actions and resources, some uncertainty about how it actually translates to our individual children and in combination with delayed report card. Potentially sharing that the vocabulary on Google Classroom might be a nice way to have it shared so more parents can engage.
- Feedback regarding fees for field trips: e.g. Grade 4 ski trip costs \$110 per student. Is there a limit on what you want to pay per student pay year? All who attended the meeting were happy with fees and variety – changes in curriculum is also changing how field trips are planned. G4 got skiing instead of swimming, Sam centre this year for Grade 3 with updated social studies curriculum.
- To ensure diversity of experiences School tries to ensure the residencies that get picked are something different each year.
- The 1-4 on report cards does not equal percentages, it is an outcomes based assessment
- Most who attended the meeting agree that activities school provides are important for their child’s learning and the fees are reasonable.
- April 8th a summary of feedback from tonight’s discussion on the SDP and fees.
- November 2026 updated SDP shared and posted by Nov 30 2026

4. Officer Reports Chair – Dorothy J.

- Special events committee – dance committee
 - Dance on April 23, Thursday.
 - DJ booked and deposit paid
 - 11 member are volunteering so far
 - All information about using Zeffy as the tickets purchase platform – will be managed by Aliya F with Melissa W or Bhavna B to create account for the school.

5. New business –

- Scholastic book fair coming up Feb 24th – 27th , run by School Council on our own.
- School messenger coming home tomorrow
- Need volunteers
- Thank you to all volunteers – for potluck and all other events in Feb – it has been a volunteering heavy month – fun lunch and carnival
- Education grant \$500 carry over now up to \$700 – this is to increase parent engagement. The was a survey about ANXIOUS GENERATION book study – only available in hardcover , 3 meetings March, April and May – participants said online in the evening similar to School Council meeting time, ordering from Pages to support local and will have

slight discount – 10 already ordered , more ordered if needed. Those who come to meetings can win graphic novel by same author. A few copies to be donated to library as well. Remaining funds to be used at book fair for culturally diverse books

- Fun lunch iHOP this Friday – needs more volunteers too
- Education matters – not for profit helps schools with fundraising – set up campaign where we can accept donations and parents can get tax receipt – this campaign to raise money for our learning garden – natural area requires a lot of maintenance School Council and Parent Society in charge of it – ask parents to donate \$25 if they like, parents will get a tax donation receipt – we do nothing on our side – school will needed to show money has been spent on what is mentioned in campaign. Make area safe – insects, weeds, thorns, infestation in past
- EPIC request for Grade 4– not voted on yet – agreed last time that we could pay for 6m if an option G4 would really like access to EPIC since not adequate access to printed material based on new curriculum

6. **Throncliffe Representative** - Melissa – no updates

7. **New secretary** - Aliya F.

8. **Treasurer Report**– Bhavna B.

Available funds as of February 18th 2026:

- Operating Account: \$ 4,005.27,
- General Account: \$13,784.75
- Cashable Investment GIC: \$13,000
- Investment Account: \$80,000

Invoice for insurance needs paid.

Deposits from Healthy Hunger paid in to accounts.

9. **Next Meeting** – Online, Wednesday March 11th at 6:30pm

10. **Adjourned** – Meeting ended, 8:08 pm