

Meeting Minutes for Colonel Sanders School Council AGM- Sept 15th, 2026

Quorum is 2 Officers, The Principal and Assistant Principal plus 4 non-officers

Attended Alex CG (Principal) and Michelle W (Assistant Principal).
Dorothy J, Danielle S, Melissa W, Jill S, Aliya F, + 16 parents
(Quorum was present)

6:15 Pre-meeting chat time and Introduction to What the School Council is and does.

- Having a child at Colonel Sanders School automatically makes you a part of the School Council.
- School Council is your chance to hear from the school administrators about what is happening at school.
- Opportunity to share your perspectives with school and other parents.
- Connect with other families attending Colonel Sanders School.
- Support school initiatives and community building
- You don't need to be a position holder to attending the meetings – these are open to all parents to join and contribute.
- The Parent Society takes care of the fundraising aspect, which help to fund residencies, field trips, annual bowling, Grade 4 visit to Balmoral and many more fun activities that enhance the curriculum and make the school a more fun and enjoyable place for all our children,

6:30pm **Call to order:** by Danielle S.
Approval of the September 15, 2026 meeting agenda by Dorothy J.
Approval of Meeting Minutes from June 2026 by Dorothy J.

Introductions/Welcome

Alex CG (Principal) and Michelle W (Assistant Principal)
Dorothy J and Danielle S (Co-chairs)
Melissa W (Vice chair)
Aliya F (Secretary)

6:35pm **School Administration Report:** Alex CG (Principal) and Michelle W (Assistant Principal).
Welcome to new academic session
Thank you to all those who volunteered for September Popcorn Day.

-Review new staff members and/or positions within the school

Kindergarten Team

Tiana Pilato – 0.5 Kindergarten Teacher
Christina Whitehead – 1.0 Kindergarten Teacher
Sara Hoxjah – Kindergarten Lunch Supervisor (KG assistant for the remainder)

Specialists & Class Size Teachers

Kyra Sidor – Music
Breanna Izyk – Grade 2 & 3 Class Size Teacher – this is a result of the government survey that was conducted last year with regards to funding and class size. To compensate for the lack of physical space an additional teacher has been allocated to help with this

Library

Dinishi Jayasinghe – Library Assistant – this week will be the first week of library and children will start bringing books home next week.

EAL Assistant

Haroon Beg (working with grade 1 and 3)

Staff Assignment Changes

Yuki Sato – Kindergarten & Grade 1 Class Size Teacher – was Grade 3 teacher last year

Josie Law – Grade 3 Teacher – was complexity teacher last year

Sarah Walsh – Complexity Teacher – was Grade 4 teacher last year

Sarah-Jane Leslie – Grade 4 Teacher – was music teacher last year

The school still needs one more EA for kindergarten (25hrs/week) – for now this position is being filled by a substitute until a permanent hire is made.

-Review our School Development Plan

- data from June – Science vocabulary was changed halfway through the year, more details to follow in next School Council meeting
- Focus for this year – Brand new vocabulary has to be identified for Kindergarten

-Review Administrative Regulations

6031 - Welcoming, Caring, Respectful and Safe Learning and Work Environments – guidelines for how all people are to expect a caring, respectful and safe learning environment, points on how to address any concerns

6005 - Student Code of Conduct - guidelines for importance of behaviour at school both physically and digitally (student emails and Google classroom)

6006 - Progressive Student Discipline – guidelines for talking and working through issues with students and parents. Asses if mental health support needs to be bought in. This also deals with the criteria for suspensions.

These will be emailed out to all the parents by school admin.

-Funding Requests

Musicplay Online and print resource, lessons and games K-Gr 4 \$200

Audio Equipment for French plays Gr 1-4 \$1414.09

Shelving and baskets for Math manipulatives Gr 4 \$321.30

Welcome to Kindergarten pack – items purchased from Walmart - \$348.38

6:55pm

Officer Reports:

- Council Co-Chair: Danielle S (Owen 4M) – will discuss change of bylaws in new business

- Council Co-Chair: Dorothy J (Lydia 4P and Calvin 3L) – nothing to report

- Vice Chair: Melissa W. (Dashel 2D) – nothing to report

- Treasurer: Bhavna (Mila 4, Jiya 1) Kunal B presented numbers on her behalf:
General Fund has - \$18,645.04 this includes the General Fund GIC - \$13,000
Casino account has - \$83,635.27 this includes the Casino GIC - \$40,000.

Need to check if the interest from Casino GIC can go back to General account or stays as Casino funds – there are restrictions on what the Casino fund can and cannot be used for so we need to be mindful of that when allocating funding requests. Cannot be used for food, mainly used to enhance whole school and curriculum. 36months to use the funds raised.

Request Bhavna/Kunal B to present statements for both the accounts at next meeting.

- Secretary: Aliya (Nour 4P and Zoha 3L) – nothing to report

Position Holder Reports:

- Popcorn day and Fun Lunch Coordinator: Aliya F (Nour 4P and Zoha 3L) – thank you to those who volunteered for September Popcorn day. Lunch options till January have been posted on the Healthy Hunger website. We do acknowledge that the prices are rising and are mindful that not all families will be able to participate all of the time due to dietary restrictions/allergies/cost/etc – that is ok. The idea is that this fundraiser is also a little fun for the children.

Parents mentioned that they would not mind participating in even more fundraising activities e.g. Purdy's Christmas chocolate, apple boxes, etc.

- Parent Facebook Page: Dorothy J (Lydia 4P and Calvin 3L) – please ensure to mentions the name of your child's class and homeroom teacher. If this information is missing request to join the group will be declined. The Facebook group serves as a space to share details about fundraising and volunteering opportunities. You can also connect with other parents and help setup playdates, sell/buy uniforms, etc. This is not a space to complain about school and/or staff.

- Special Events/Spirit Committee: Bhavna (Mila 4, Jiya 1), Yuki S. (teacher, Taku former student) – nothing to report

- Balmoral Representative: Jill (Leo former Student) – nothing to report

- Casino Fundraiser Chair: Kunal (Mila 4, Jiya 1) – so far 21 out of the 40 spots have been filled for this year's Casino fundraiser. We need all spots to be filled or we lose our spot. School made 82K the last casino fundraiser.

- Naturalization Committee: Jill D. (Leo former student) – 5K raised from EducationMatters donations last year of which 3K has been approved to hire someone to help with weed control and maintaining the area.

- Key Communicator: Jill D. (Leo former student), Melissa W. (Dashel 2D) – Council of School Councils meets 3 times a year with 1 in person meeting.

7:10pm

New Business: emails can be sent to Danielle S. and Dorothy J. between meetings at tlc.colonelsanders@gmail.com

- Vote on motion to update Council Bylaws:

- Remove Thorncliffe Representative from the Executive/Officers (since kindergarten is now at Colonel Sanders) and add Balmoral Representative - all attending approve – Passed.

- Modify Quorum to 2 Officers, The Principal and/or Assistant Principal, plus 2 additional members (since schedules get busy not always possible to have this many people attend) - all attending approve – Passed.
- Vote for Officers for 2026/27 year :
 - Dorothy J and Danielle S – Council co-chairs
 - Melissa W – Vice chair
 - Mona Z – shadow co-chair
 - Aliya F – secretary
 - Bhavna B – treasurer
- all attending approve – Passed.

Jackie (max's mom) has expressed interest in joining the Spirit Committee

7:17pm **Adjourn:** After this meeting we will have a short meeting of the Parent Society to discuss and vote on the funding requests presented at this meeting.
 Next meeting Wednesday, October 8th 2026 Online on Microsoft Teams 6:15pm
 for pre-meeting chat Online meeting links are posted on the School website: Get involved > School Council

School Council Meetings	
Tuesday, September 15 in Person	Wednesday, February 10*
Wednesday, October 14*	Tuesday, March 9*
Tuesday, November 3*	Wednesday, April 14*
Wednesday, December 9*	Tuesday, May 11*
Tuesday, January 12*	Wednesday, June 9 in Person

Friday, September 11 – popcorn snack (M/W Kinder)
 Friday, October 2 – lunch (T/TH Kinder) Subway
 Friday, November 20 – lunch (M/W Kinder) Sweet rice
 Friday, December 18 – lunch (T/TH Kinder) Saucy Bread Company
 Friday, January 8 – lunch (M/W Kinder) Mary Brown
 Friday, February 19 – lunch (M/W Kinder) iHOP
 Friday, March 12 – lunch (T/TH Kinder) COBS
 Friday, April 9 – lunch (T/TH Kinder) Hankki
 Friday, May 28 – lunch (M/W Kinder) Papa Johns
 Friday, June 4 – popcorn snack (T/TH Kinder)