

1) Call to Order 6:10

2) Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve: Jenn/Gaëlle

3) Report from Administration

Darren – Going forward, the plan will be to have one staff member here to give a sense of what is happening in the school.

Hannah Nathason - Skills class – lots of great students who communicate differently try to include them in school activities

Collen – Teaching Gr 5 taught grs 4 and 5

School Council is open to students (16yrs), parents and teachers. PAC staff who do not have children in school cannot vote

Darren provided some background on himself: 10th school in 29 years; wanted to come to Nellie for a long time; close to being the best school in Calgary - great staff; energy from parents is great; love the school.

Over the next 2 weeks Darren will go into every class to teach a lesson to learn children's names.

Started in Drama, directed plays, have a BFA. Taught all grades from K-gr 12. Happy to be back in elementary. Door is always open. Goal is to be best principal you've ever seen in the best school you've ever seen.

4) Approval of the minutes of the June 14, 2018 meeting

Danae/Peggy

5) Chair's Annual Report 2017-2018 meeting

Previous year's goals and how they were met during the year .

6) Treasurer's Report Danae/ Peggy/motion carried

Healthy account and budget

Casino budget - limitation for spending have to spend in 24 months after casino

Fundraising report/volunteering

want to deplete the account so benefits go parents whose children are in school now

operations budget and school support budget

good at margin

Had talked about the renewing the home reading. In November, based on what the teachers feel is the priority. Wonderful idea, splitting up classes –teachers do an inventory, wishlist then bring the costs to the PAC.

Do the teachers have 1st dibs on the used book sale. Set up on Wed, then sale on Thurs/Fri. funds in bins/buckets, and how things are spent – matching funds from grants to double what is raised by the PAC/school

October casino (18/19) – 20 positions (bring everyone) email, posters. Sign up genius.

Approval of Year End Financial Statements o Approval of July & August Financial Statements o Approval of 2018-2019 budget

7) Nomination and Election of Executive and Officers 2018-2019

All positions filled by acclamation:

- Chair – Jane Gillespie
- Vice-Chair/Co-Chair – Gaelle Eizlini
- Treasurer – Danae Parker
- Secretary – Michael Gray -
Elect Michael Gray acclaimed
- Fundraising Coordinator – Kondilena Kaketsis
- Volunteer Coordinator – Jennifer Raymond
- Education Partner Liaison – Joann Reynolds
- Members at Large:
 - Lorinda Penner,
 - Mimi Ing,
 - Breanne Hyland

Please come and attend the School Council and PAC meetings as often as you want. You have a voice can be heard at the meetings you have the ear of the principal at least once a month

8) Fundraising/Volunteer Opportunities Update Kondilenia K

Full year is already planned. Entertainment books goal is \$5500. All money has to be returned Monday 24th to get the prizes. HARD DATE. After that eve if money is returned there will be no prizes.

Welcome back food truck picnic rain or shine. Used book sale for 2 days. All children will get a book (regardless of money). Teachers have 1st pick. Still need volunteers for teacher potluck for teacher conferences for items to bring. Dance in October 12 gym pre-selling the tickets/concessions. Picture night in October. Planning a school colours and motto contest for the school.

Fun Lunches are still to be planned

Volunteer any time.

9) Other Business

What is important to the school? What does this look like? Is there a champion? What differentiates Nellie – logo, motto - goes out into the community. Energy and excitement.

Make the space better for grades 1 &2 have nowhere to line up. Playground, amphitheatre: needs funding, design and build, maintenance. CBE parks and rec won't maintain – that is separate. Have to believe in it. Have to start to think about what we want and what the community will support

Question: Pick up time for Kindergarten - why is there a difference in pick up time? Email or call principal to see if there were others that have the same issue. Some schools make a determination based on CBE or Alberta department of education rules. Seems like a simple fix, but may not be – different times.

Naturalization in other business – a lot of transition.

Need to convene a By-Law Committee

3 or 4 people to review the by-laws and update them. Build on sense of trust. Enough hoops to keep ppl honest, but not too onerous.

Jane/Gaëlle/Cheryl/Breanne (not sure if this is right!!)

Anniversary of Nellie - this year? Not sure of anniversary year (66 or 67 yrs). Great year to brand the school, celebrate the past and unveil the future. CBE alumni? Committee to help with the planning

Belfast school put together a time capsule – got media attention – made it a story to bring ppl put out word of mouth.

10) Next Meeting date November 15, 2018 at 6:00 PM (School Council 6:00/PAC immediately following),

Childcare always be available and parents are donating pizza to make it easier for parents to attend.

Adjourned 7:20.

11) Please join us in the Community Centre for a Wine and Cheese