

JFC School Council Agenda

Monday, December 1, 2025, 7:00 - 8:30 pm, School Library or Online: Google Meet
<https://meet.google.com/mgm-nmxt-zfp>

Present: Amber Robertson, Sarah Hildebrandt, Miki Uoya, Philip Perivolaris, Ashley North, Ashley Jardin, Nancy Loewen, Leah Pullen, Christina Kropf (notes)

7:00 - 7:05 Welcome and Introductions

7:05 - 7:10 WRAPSC Update - Ashley Jardin

- presentation by Dr. Alison Yeung, MD:, smartphones, social media and mental health
- ProGrant: minimum is \$500 per school; schools may receive more depending on number of applicants. Last year many schools didn't apply. Suggested to use PIF money to supplement if needed.
- next meeting will be in March
- April meeting will have a presentation re: AI
- May will have meet and greet with trustees, potential Bill 33 discussion

7:10 to 7:20 Grant Updates

ProGrant:

- Amber submitted one idea for ProGrant (Indigenous learning). Only 1 submission allowed per school. Crow Shield Lodge: puppet show with an Elder, Land-based learning circle, food with Chef Destiny. Applied for \$1650, but were informed the grant amount (if approved) will likely be less.
- Planning to submit Jan 15 for Outdoor Classroom enhancements to TD Canada Trust (\$8,000) - Amber submitting- 6 people have indicated interest to be part of the working group. Amber will email this group specifically. Some ideas for classroom enhancement:
 - Tree stump desks, magnetic chalk board (back school)
 - Painting easels, raised garden planters (front)

LoveMyHood grant (Streams of Dreams)

- Painted fish mural on chain link fence in front or back? Discussed potentially having them on both fences and would make fences look inviting
- They provide education re: water ways. Teaching provided in the classrooms
- Price per participant (\$15 per student). Approx \$7000. Funding options: Pay what you can, grant, fundraiser
- Commitment required for education component. 2 full days scheduled for painting and installation
- Thoughts were that this would be well received by staff. Discussed if staff would use some of council field trip money for this. It was felt that staff have plans to use money for other trips.

Plan: Amber will contact Stream of Dreams for specific timeline, and then will reach back out to council. A volunteer to lead this project is needed.

7:20 to 7:30 Play-yard Update - Ashley North

- Ashley created draft of fundraising letter for businesses for playground improvement. This has been circulated with council to review. Goal in letter would be to outline plan for businesses
- Recognition options discussed: plaque (can be procured from board), WRDSB website, board outside the school, council social media
- Can receive a tax receipt if donate through WEFI. Would need to be a directed donation.
- Fundraising goal: Ashley has reached out to Alex (Facilities Manager) to determine cost of playground
- Council can decide what equipment is needed, there will be some input from facilities re: accessibility, placement, etc.
- Alex has agreed to meet with council in person again.

Plan: To get confirmation of types/number of playgrounds, fundraising amount, plan for parking lot

7:30 - 8:00 Review Fundraising and Event plan for 2026

Movie night - Spring 2026

- Has been well received in the past. Good community event. We sell or provide popcorn, drinks, snacks at a low cost
- Sound system and projector have been improved
- Discussed what the capacity is to run this event. Is this too much if we also do spring ProGrant event and possibly Streams of Dreams.
- Leah said it's possible to throw together a movie night quickly if council decides to pursue.

Plan: Decision deferred and can decide after PROgrant has been approved A lead volunteer would be needed to plan the event

West Coast Seed Fundraiser: Led by Nancy

- starts January 5th with delivery earlier this year based on last years feedback.

Chocolate fundraiser - determine date

- Discussed that this has been the most successful and raises the largest amount of funding of all the fundraisers we do. Noted that it does take a lot of work and would need 1 or 2 people willing to lead this.
- Discussed timing of chocolate fundraiser and chocolate suppliers. TBD
- Option would be to go with another company and just have families pre-order. This would likely reduce sales.
- Some members thought we should plan to do this fundraiser and divide workload. Discussed how to lessen the load: Do M,W, F, reach out to broader school community for help.
- **Who would like to be the chocolate champion and lead this fundraiser?**
- numbers of individuals who can access the spreadsheet limited due to confidentiality,

Plan: To reassess this fundraising option and how it can work with limited volunteers. If interested please reach out to Amber and Christina

8:00 to 8:10 Fundraising Update JFC School Council -2025/26 BUDGET

- Krispy Kreme amount - \$1,600, Plant sale amount - \$1,077, Misc chocolate sale - \$510, Gino's pizza - \$400
- Fundraisers were successful and appreciative of the volunteers supporting them.
- The Community Closet event was well received and many families expressed thanks for putting on the event.

Update from Sarah: we currently have \$10,000 in our bank account (fundraised from last year) and typically raise more money to contribute to playground replacement and some other events throughout the school year. Council is supportive of continuing to fundraise to contribute towards playground replacement and other events.

● 8:10 - 8:30 Principal's Report

- Lori Peebles completed Nov 28. Brian Weigal as temp VP for the month of December. Hopefully new permanent VP will be here for January
- Progress reports have gone home
- Photo retakes were delayed and some children may have been missed. If your child was missed, you can go to the studio for retake. If enough children have been missed, they will come back to the school for retakes. Message will go on School Day
- Breakfast Club of Canada can last week. The director and superintendent came to see how important the program is. Typically 40-50 students attend daily. Thank you Nancy for all your hard work!
- Community closet event went well. Council was able to sell all 20 dozen donuts individually.
- JFC will receive collection/donation of new toys from Charitable organizations in December. Information will be sent out that families can then come and shop for gifts. This will happen in the portable.
- Playground is closed for the winter
- Primaries sled at 1st break and juniors second break on the large hill only. Crazy carpets only.
- Question was asked about promoting community events in the surrounding area. The school can only publicize information vetted through the communications department
- Communication board is damaged, Leah will reach out to company to see if they can repair it.

Next Meetings: Feb 2, March 2, April 13, May 4, June 1