



# Swan Hills School

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**School Council Meeting**  
**Minutes for November 22, 2018**  
**Swan Hills School - Flex Room 7:00 pm**

1. Call to order – 7:00 pm  
Attendance: Quorum (parent majority, Chair and Principal in attendance) achieved  
**Parents:** Deshia Gaudet(Chair), Mike Johnston, Jaymie Raymond, Amanda MacAhonic, Starr Timmons, Melissa Tout  
**Staff:** Sheila Gardiner, Julia Fife, Michelle Tran, Vanessa Lewis  
**Others:** Terry Kuyek - TOSH, Nancy Keough PHPS Trustee, Kyra Griffin - Student's Union
2. **Review of the Agenda**  
**Motion:** Accepted with changes by Amanda MacAhonic  
Add PAWS to the agenda
3. **Approval of the Minutes**
  - a. October 17th, 2018  
**Motion:** Moved to accept Minutes by Mike Johnston
4. Election - We have elected Jayme Raymond as Vice Chair
5. **Committee Reports**
  - a. Board Trustee - Nancy Keough
    - i. Swan Hills only 1 of 2 schools with increased enrollment.
    - ii. All ceilings and lights will be upgraded to LED by next year.
    - iii. Thought Exchange for the Citizenship survey - linking character traits to awards, removing academic standards
  - b. Division 1-2: Mrs Gardiner
    - i. No report from Div 1
    - ii. Basketball begins after Holiday break.
  - c. Students Union
    - i. Made \$930 at howler
    - ii. A new fountain was donated by the town - division needs to install
    - iii. Matchamatics - for Valentines Day
  - d. Division 3/4 - Michelle Tran
    - i. no report Div 3/4
  - e. PAWS- Vanessa Lewis
    - i. Oct 16th hosted a mental health awareness night/dinner. Possibly more of these events to bring in the community.
    - ii. RCMP National youth services were in the School last week. Only school in the "area" to talk about the new cannabis legislation. Do's and Don'ts



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iii. Ditch the device day was yesterday - 37 participated.

f. Grizzly Cubs -

- i. All current board members will be stepping down as of June 2019
- ii. 80 people at the movie - \$200
- iii. Craft Fair - \$900 in revenue
- iv. Sound System is on the way
- v. No November Movie

## 6. Old Business

- a. Restructuring school council - shorter meetings, advisory not an information session
- b. School events coinciding with school council. Drop in Basketball is conflicting tonight.

## 7. Principal Report and Advising

- a. PAT testing -
- b. Diploma Exams - January 14-17
- c. Tomorrow a film crew is coming on behalf of Razor Energy to film after they donated \$20,000 to be used towards Information Technology programming.

## 8. New Business

- a. Parking Situation sucks. An update about the parking situation. A sign is coming from the town in the future to address the loading zone in front of the school. Staff parking across from the school. It is not always staff or students parking there. It does get inconvenient for parents picking up kids from kindergarten. Although, the public does park in staff parking too. Nobody knows who owns the parking lot. It seems like it is incredibly busy after pre school/Kindergarten. Maybe once the school is running preschool, preschool in the morning, kindergarten in the afternoon.
- b. Fundraising should be a school initiative. Not a specific grade/class initiative.
- c. Tabled K-4 curriculum changes in 2020.
- d. Open floor, the kids have a short lunch hour. 15 minutes doesn't seem long enough. Maybe look when the school is planning in the spring. Maybe senior high can supervise for credits.
- e. Tower Garden has purchased with surplus nutrition budget, coincides with curriculum

## 9. Next Meeting

January 16th, 2019

## 10. Adjourn

**Motion:** Moved to adjourn at 8:14