

St. Catherines Home and School Association

Meeting Minutes

Date: October 21, 2026

Location: St Catherine School

Chaired by: Gabi Kolk

Recorded by: Alyssa Murray

Meeting attended by: Gabi Kolk, Chelsea Vander Heyden, Leslie Martin, Deanna Brillman, Chelsey Paskal, Lenae Brillman, Crystie Praskach, Ashley Kohut, Alyssa Murray, Dan Vanden Dugen, Josh Gatner

Agenda Items

Meeting Called: 6:34

1. Standing Items:

a. Approve previous meeting minutes

- i. Motion made by Alyssa, Seconded by Chelsey P. Motion passed.

b. Treasurer report

- i. Current balance in our account is \$13,127.25, current amount in the savings account \$118,968.93,
- ii. Expenses so far was \$681.10 for the two hot lunches
- iii. ALL MEMBERS TO UPDATE MEMBER LIST INFORMATION ASAP
- iv. Michelle motion to accept treasury report as is.

c. Hot lunch

- i. Update given by Chelsea VH
- ii. October 15- chicken drumsticks, mixed veggies, potatoe wedges (donated by devry)
- iii. We have approx 100 drumsticks left to potentially use for feast day and 4 trays of mixed veggies to use for shepherds pie at a later date. It was a big job in the kitchen but the meal was extremely well received by staff and students excluding pre-k. Total spent: \$375.75 included some spices that we will reuse and plates.
- iv. Hot dog day is October 29th doing mummy pigs in a blanket for 200 plus hot dogs for extra. We ordered Grims wieners through Bert's with the company covering half of the cost as a donation. 420 wieners for \$270. With the hot dogs we will serve fries and a special Halloween treat TBD.
- v. November 4th is taco in a bag (ground beef is covered) Chelsea is away so Deanna and Ashley are in charge.

- vi. November 25th Feast Day beef on a bun (need donation for that), will put out drumsticks and pasta salad/buns through Bert's.
- vii. Instead of Christmas potluck... 6A cattle was generous enough to sponsor the entire meal for every student and staff member. Individually packaged turkey dinner through Cattleman's Chophouse. We are considering a dessert potluck instead and home and school will purchase drinks for the school.
- viii. Suggestion of changing potluck to our Multicultural Day.

2. New business

a. Spending for 2026/2027 school year (Gabi)

- i. Discussion for ideas on how to spend our money moving forward. Proposed to put it back to the students to get ideas on how we want them to spend. Leslie mentioned cost of software/apps/subscription that some classes may want to get access to. Will ask teachers at next staff meeting as well (scheduled for next week). Field trips are also suggested.

b. Principal Items

- i. At the last meeting, we requested that Home and School pay for an equipment order. **Would Home and School allocate \$2190.01 to our school for the purchasing of athletic equipment from the auction monies collected at the last auction?** This was passed. One of the more astute members of the association asked if there was also shipping. At the time, we had not yet made the order. Then, surprise, there was shipping. it is an additional \$1065.55 that I would like to ask Home and School to cover.
 - 1. Motion made by Leslie to approve the shipping costs. Seconded by Chelsea. Motion carried.
- ii. We have an opportunity to bring in "The Doomed Prince" - a travelling drama inservice group called Theatre Prospero. \$750 plus travel to work with grades 2-5. I will be using the \$3000 budget to pay for it.
- iii. Will be taking \$5114.91 out of our budget for existing expenses up to this point of the year. Moving forward in November upcoming expenses of awards is coming.

3. Open Discussion

a. Sports Day/Track and Field Day

- i. Ashley K suggests company, Highway 9, being possible donor of this event. Including a BBQ for the school
- ii. Possibility of zones being on Tuesday June 1, 2027. Josh and Dan will follow up with dates and get back to Ashley to coordinate dates.
- iii. General discussion on making this a bigger event in general. More family involvement. If it is the same day as zones then Jr high students who don't go to zones could participate as helpers for this day.

Meeting adjourned: 7:06 pm

Next meeting: November 25, 2026 at 6:30pm - Parent Council to follow