

# St Catherine's School Council Meeting Agenda

April 22, 2026 7:00 pm

1. **Call to order: By Crystie @ 705pm**
2. **Record of attendance: Dan Vanden Dungen, Crystie Praskach, Devon Kolk, Aubrey Kolk, Michelle Rodgers, Carlee Nummi, Chelsey Vanderheyden, Corrine Rasmussen, Lenae Brillman**
3. **Opening prayer and Land Acknowledgement** - Dan
4. **Review and adoption of minutes from previous meeting (March 2026)**
  - **Approved by consensus**
5. **New business or items to add to the agenda?**
  - **Devon- Before and after school care**
6. **Old Business:**
  - a. **Photographer** -
    - **We have signed a one year contract with Mountain West for next year.**
    - **Kindergarten grad photos on April 30th are still Lifetouch**
  - b. **Kindergarten Coffee**
    - **March Feedback: Well attended, good to get everyone together and have conversations**
    - **Any more for this year?**
      - **Gabi and Alyssa? Talk with Crystie to pick a date- end of May**
  - c. **ASCE Grant** - Crystie
    - **Art class or parents materials.**
    - **ASCA Spring Symposium April 25/26 - did not register. Interest did not seem high and the registration process was different this year, wanting each attendees information.**
    - **Order more books for the parent library**
    - **Activity to be done likely in the fall with families busy during the spring season**
  - d. **Feedback on March 19 Family Dance**
    - **Fun overall**
    - **Lots of kids outside on playground, no supervision**
    - **Student leadership doing more games and activities?**
    - **1.5 hours instead of 2, especially with lots of younger kids?**

7. **Reports:**

a. Principal (attached below)

- Coulee Kickers would help pay for soccer nets if they are able to use the fields. Field needs to be watered and maintained

b. Associate Principal Faith Report

c. Chair - Crystie

- Nothing to report

8. **Correspondence:**

9. **New business:**

a. Bylaw Review / Update

- Changes will be presented at the May meeting for discussion. Changes will be voted on at the Annual Meeting in September.
- Terms are elected one year at a time, to a maximum of three for the three executive roles. Other roles have no maximum time.
  - FYI Completed 3-year maximum (one-year at a time) terms: Crystie - Chair, Andrea - Vice-Chair. So, we will be seeking a Chair and Vice-Chair in September!

b. Kindergarten Survey Results - draft results

- Close split between half or full day kindergarten
- 50% would like kindergarten to stay as is- 4 half days, 35% would like two full days, the others don't feel strongly either way
- Some schools in Holy Spirit will be moving to 4 full days of kindergarten- majority from the survey are against that at St. Catherine's

c. Before and After School Care at St. Catherine? - Dan will investigate

10. **Next meeting: May 20th**

11. **Closing prayer:**

12. **Adjournment: @0833pm**

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# Principal's Report

## 1. Bishops Assurance Pilot

- Will be rescheduled; possibly not until the fall
- We hope to have some parent representation as well.

## 2. Staffing

- Miss Bartch's final day was April 17 and Mrs. Nelson returned Monday, April 20. There are some timetable switches as Mrs. Nelson takes Math 9 and Mr. Gatner takes Science 9, Mrs. Nelson takes Music 7/8 and 9 and Mr. Vanden Dungen takes grade 6 CTF.
- Mr. Snow is back from leave Wednesday, April 22 as well for 4 hours a day at first. He will work a 6:00-10:00 am shift and Ms. Ortiz will work a 10:00am-6:00pm shift until he is fully recovered.
- The last day for our PSIII students, Nicole G. and Tracy V is Thursday, April 23.
- The last day for our Lethbridge College E.A. practicum student, Marcia E, was on Wednesday April 15.
- We expect to have staffing numbers for next year within the next few weeks.

## 3. Enrolment

- Projections for next year:
  - Pre-K: At least 21 (currently 6 - 3 year olds, 15 - 4 year olds)
  - Kinder: 15
  - Gr 1: 18
  - Gr. 2: 14
  - Gr. 3: 7 (looking at different multi-grading options)
  - Gr. 4: 24
  - Gr. 5: 13
  - Gr. 6: 23
  - Gr. 7: 21
  - Gr. 8: 16
  - Gr. 9: 13

Total K-9: 164; Total Pre-k - 9: 185

## 4. Safety

- We will be getting "Safe Arrival" software in the next few weeks. This will allow parents to log in absences for students instead of calling the office and us having to make those changes manually
- The Gov. of Alberta announced \$22 million for additional security equipment and training. Once our division finds out our allotment, they will begin upgrading doors, locks, cameras, intercoms etc.

## 5. Infrastructure, Maintenance and Facilities

- New clocks have been ordered for our school!

- The division is going to get quotes for landscaping work to try to restore our fields / play area. Once they have quotes, they will look at options, including soccer net replacement options.

**6. Calendar:**

- April 22 - Gr 9 Epic Field Trip (Trades Exploration)
  - April 23 - Last day for PS3 intern teachers
  - April 23 through 25 - School Play
  - April 28 - Grade 6 Canteen
  - April 27 - Hot Dog Hot Lunch
  - April 28 - Kindergarten Grad Pictures
  - May 5 - Grade 5 Canteen
  - May 6 - Shrek the Musical Fieldtrip (grades 1-9)
  - May 7 - JH Track and Field at PBHS
  - May 12 - "Dad's" Hot Lunch
  - May 13 - Mass (Grade 1/2 Price Leading) with Long Service Awards
  - May 14 - Flower Power/Hawaiian Shirt Day
  - May 15 - PD DAY
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