

École Assiniboine Parent Council Minutes

November 5, 2025

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 PM by Andrea Johnston

Attendees: Andrea Johnston (President), Michelle Klassen (Treasurer), Mary Oscarson (Secretary), Jean Burnett (Principal), Jennifer Peters (Vice Principal), Marichelle Fernandez, Krissy Flynn, Rhea Epp, Emily Sauvé, Layce Zubriski

Regrets: Hailey Gagnon-Hannah (Vice President),

Motion to approve November 5 agenda

Motion: Rhea Epp

Second: Krissy Flynn

Unanimously passed

Motion to approve minutes from October 8, 2025 AGM will take place at the 2026 AGM

President's Report

Some members of our Parent Advisory Council attended a meeting yesterday at the Board Office regarding play yard improvements and the steps to follow. It was very informative for us, and I can't wait to see how we can use the information provided. Also, our first Pizza Lunch was today and as always was very successful and it was great to see all the kids happy for pizza today. Thank you to all the volunteers who came out to help today.

Motion to approve paying Mme Chapdelaine's daughter, Gabrielle Chapdelaine, \$20 for babysitting services at the November PAC meeting.

Motion: Krissy Flynn

Second: Mary Oscarson

Unanimously passed

Treasurer's Report

Current Account Balance as of November 5, 2025 - **\$13621.87**

Playground Improvement Fund	\$6733.25
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Fundraising	\$2749.55
General Revenue	\$462.36
Pizza Donations	\$154.21
Milk Program carryforward	\$1942.12
Milk Program 2024/2025	\$1549.14

Outstanding Cheque (needs to be reissued) \$31.24 – M. Klassen (Raffle Tickets).

Milk program to sell chocolate milk begins on Monday, November 10.

Principal's Report

We currently have 289 students and 34 staff members. Since our last meeting in October, we continue to settle into routines. We had bus ridership for the students to learn more about safety on the bus. We were fortunate to have two grade 9 students spend the day with us for Take your Kid to Work Day on November 5, along with a very successful pizza lunch organized by the Parent Advisory Council.

We look forward to the upcoming events:

- Dance-a-thon –November 28th (Tentative date, more information to follow)
- Picture Retakes are November 6th
- Parent-teacher conferences – November 20th (4-7 pm)
- K to 2 Winter Concert – December 10th (Rooms 3,5,6) and 11th (Rooms 1, 2, 12) - 1pm and 6:30 pm
- Grades 3-5 Concert – January 14th (Rooms 11, 17, 22, 23) and 15th (Rooms 4, 15, 21, 27) - 1pm and 6:30 pm)

Thanks to the Parent Advisory Council once again for all of their support.

Committee Reports

Playground Enhancement Sub-committee: Nothing to report until a meeting can be had with Jean to discuss information received at the divisional PAC playground improvement meeting on November 4.

Fundraising:

- Mom's Pantry is the current fundraiser

- A PAC-run dance-a-thon may be scheduled later in the school year. Other PACs have raised a significant amount of money through pledges, snacks, and fun items such as glowsticks.

Motion to approve hosting a bake sale at the December winter concert along with 50/50 ticket sales during the afternoon and evening performances. Proceeds from the 50/50 will go towards the playground improvement fund.

Motion: Rhea Epp

Second: Krissy Flynn

Unanimously passed

Motion to approve hosting a snack table at the January concert along with 50/50 ticket sales during the afternoon and evening performances. Proceeds from the 50/50 will go towards the playground improvement fund.

Motion: Krissy Flynn

Second: Emily Sauvé

Unanimously passed

Andrea to look into selling flowers/roses at the concerts for parents to purchase for their performer(s).

November 24-December 5: École Assiniboine clothing sale. Items will arrive mid-January. Process will be online and items available are similar to past sales.

Motion to approve an École Assiniboine clothing sale.

Motion: Krissy Flynn

Second: Rhea Epp

Unanimously passed

New Business:

Teacher Appreciation Week is observed in Manitoba February 8-15, 2026 and nationally May 3-10, 2026. We will continue with having a sign-up sheet for parents to participate by bringing in treats during the week in February. We cannot collect monetary donations for a catered lunch as it is out of scope for the PAC to do so.

Festival du Voyageur is February 14-23, 2026. The school is hoping to offer a pancake lunch for students using grant funds as they did last year. If not, PAC may be able to take it on.

More folks are desired for the PAC as new faces and voices are welcomed. A flyer to go home with every student advertising PAC and a reminder at the December and January concerts may be ways to encourage family involvement.

Adjournment: 6:33 PM

NEXT MEETING DATE – February 4, 2026 at 6:00 PM