

SANSOME SCHOOL PARENT COUNCIL MEETING

December 3, 2025

6:00pm in Staff Room

Attending: Kristin Thomas, Kelly Cassie, Kara Booth, Emily Tilley, Kylie Wildeman, Kelly Fast, Janice Matthewman, Henrietta Hoch.

Meeting Called: 6:04pm

Welcome (Kara Booth)

Review of Minutes from November 12, 2025 (Kara Booth)

Kelly Cassie Firsts, Kristin Seconds, approved.

Principal's Report to Parent Council by Henrietta Hoch

- Current enrolment = 317 Two new students started last month.
- School Budget 2026-2027_ We will soon be setting the School Budget for 2026-2027. We invite a member of Parent Council to sit on our Budget Committee to review the School Budget allocations.
- Scholastic Book Fair - Thank you to the Parent Volunteers who helped to make this year's Book Fair a success! Proceeds from the Book Fair go directly to funding new books for the classroom libraries.
- Literacy Support Highlight- Our Division has moved from Reading Recovery programming for Gr. 1s to a more inclusive Literacy Support Program. All students in gr. 1 and gr. 2 are screened using the Acadience Screening Assessment. Students who are identified are provided with explicit Literacy intervention in specific areas of need. Students are supported in small groups and progress is monitored on a regular basis. Mrs. Kirk is providing Literacy support to our Gr. 1s and to the Gr. 1/2 class. Mrs. Matthewman is providing Literacy support to our gr. 2/3s. Mrs. S. and Mrs. Braun are providing the support to the gr. 4/5s.
- Make A Donation / CanadaHelps - on-line donations can be received for approved projects (Outdoor Spaces) "Make a Donation" link has been added to school websites under Parents/ Community tab. CanadaHelps is a registered charity that facilitates digital donations and provides tax receipts directly. Donations are held in a school division bank account and will be allocated to the project according to SJASD policies and procedures. If funds remain after the project is completed, the balance may be applied to a new project. Monthly reports of who has donated will be sent to the school principal. Bruce Brown is the contact person at the Board Office.
- The Winter Concerts: Wed. Dec. 17th will have the Kindergartens and the Gr. 4/5s performing, "The Great Big Holiday Bake Off". Thurs., Dec. 18th will have the Gr. 1-3 students performing, "Cookies". Performances are at 1:30 and 6:30 each day. A Bake Sale will be organized to fit with the concert themes. Parent Council members can access the school from the West Parking lot prior to the Main Doors opening at 6:00.
- Security Measures: We have our buzzer system and all exterior doors are locked after the students enter in the morning and after each recess break. We continue to look for ways to improve our measures to ensure our students' safety.

- Winter Break starts on Dec. 22 and runs until Jan. 5. The kiddos will return to class on Monday, Jan. 5th

Presidents Report (Kara Booth)

- Final walk through of playground occurred, nothing major
 - Hole in the field was filled with sand by Sunny
 - Cages around trees were dropped but wire is poking out now
 - Concerns regarding protection of the small shrubs. Protection around them is not as safe so decision was made to replace them is necessary after winter.
 - Discussion about fibar mats and maintenance of fibar
 - Letter is needed from division for daycare regarding donation of the swings
- Grade 2/3 teachers were nominated for the outstanding team collaboration award with Manitoba's excellence in education awards.

Treasurer's Report (Submitted by Kelly Cassie, attached)

- Planning to sell remaining year books at the holiday concerts
- Website food ticket purchases
 - Discussion about changing number of tickets available to purchase on the website as single tickets cost the same to make as profit earned.
 - Discussion regarding was of encouraging families to purchase multiple tickets at a time
- Raffle tickets sent home Dec 3, a letter will be sent regarding same
 - Volunteers to sell raffle tickets at the holiday concerts will be needed
- Staff will be doing a bake sale at the holiday concerts
- Krispy Kreme Fundraiser plan for April
- Cheques to approve:
 - Cheque #3297 for approval Kristin Firsts, Emily Seconds. Approved
 - Cheque #3298 for approval Kristin Firsts, Emily Seconds. Approved
 - Cheque #3299 for approval Kristin Firsts, Emily Seconds. Approved
 - Cheque #3230 for approval Kristin Firsts, Emily Seconds. Approved

Vice-President's Report (Emily Tilley): NIL

Secretary's Report (Kelly Fast): NIL

New Business

- End of year BBQ- Kylie
 - Date for BBQ is June 11, 2026 430-730, rain date June 18
 - Planning separate meetings which may be virtual
 - Begin discussions in group chat to get ideas from the group
 - Do preorders on website for food
 - Kara put in a request for a fire truck for 6-8pm
 - Looking into requesting fire safety house and a slurpee truck

- Possibly blocking off parking lot and use bus loop for food trucks
- Food ideas
 - Smoking bobs
 - Little Caesars
 - Pop, chips, candy bags
 - Lemonade and mini donuts
- How many volunteers will be needed and can we use outside volunteer groups

Meeting Adjourned: 7:35 pm

Minutes prepared by: Kelly Fast