

Crestwood School Advisory Council Minutes

Crestwood's STEM-centered programming fosters an inclusive approach to learning, nurturing collaboration, communication, critical thinking, and creativity. We inspire students and staff to embrace themselves as innovators and problem solvers for the challenges they face, cultivating a mindset for lifelong learning and success.

Time: 9:15am – 9:45am

Date: October 8, 2024

Place: Crestwood School

Attendance: Nicole Earle, Amy-Jo Leprieur, Stephanie Toews, Yvonne Sissons, Richelle Thomas, Michele Frey, Twyla Leismeister, Marc Theriault, Xiuying Huo, Stacy Foster

1. Adoption of minutes/Errors or omissions

Marc Theriault moved to accept the minutes as printed. Twyla Leismeister seconded, and all were in favor.

2. New Business

- a. Inquiry Field Studies Journals – Some Crestwood students came in to talk to us about the use of the new field studies journals. These are taken with all students when they go out into the community for any type of field study (walks, field trips, etc). The students have said that they really enjoy being able to use the books to record what they are learning about in their field studies and are excited to have a record of all the things they have learned throughout their time at Crestwood.
- b. Student Leadership – Students from the Leadership Club came to tell us about a contest they are organizing to collect food bank donations for Halloween. They asked if the Parent Council would like to sponsor prizes for their contest. The Parent Council was very happy to oblige and agreed to sponsor whatever prizes the Leadership Club came up with!

- c.** Calendar of Events – October 9 – College students from the education program have planned a morning of STEM rich tasks for all students. October 9 & 10 – Parent-teacher interviews (sign up on Edsby). October 17 – The first Exhibition of Learning for the year, also orders from the Brewmaster fundraiser will be available for pick-up. October 25 – Grade 2's are going to a wool farm, and Grade 1's are taking a city tour on the Sunshine Trolley. November 7 – Remembrance Day assembly.
- d.** Halloween Activities – Parent Council is looking to do some Halloween activities on Halloween. If anyone is interested in leading this, please contact the Parent Council at cw.chair@sd76.ab.ca.
- e.** Hot Lunch Update – Upcoming hot lunches are Papa John's on October 25, and Panago on November 1.
- f.** Volunteer List – Parent council is looking to make a list of people who can be contacted when volunteers are needed for various events around the school (eg. help with hot lunches, Halloween activities etc). If you would be willing to add your name to the list, please send your name and phone number to cw.chair@sd.76.ab.ca.
- g.** Election of Officers – there is still an open vacancy for the Vice-Chair position. If anyone would like more information about this spot, please come to a Parent Council meeting or reach out to any member of the Parent Council, or email cw.chair@sd76.ab.ca. Xiuying Huo has agreed to take on the role of bingo/casino chair for the year.

3. Old Business

- a.** Terry Fox Walk – The Crestwood community raised \$140 for this cause. Some kids chose to do an organized run, while others did a walk with their classes.
- b.** Cousins Skate Park – This event went very well. The kids all seemed to enjoy the experiences, they were engaged with the teachings and had lots of fun.
- c.** ASCA Event (Madison Cameron) – this was a great presentation; we were very happy to host this event!

Next Agenda Meeting: November 5, 2024

Next Council Meeting: November 12, 2024

We welcome your input – Amy Leprieur (Chairperson)

Cw.chair@sd76.ab.ca

Crestwood School Parent Advisory Council Minutes

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Agenda

1. Adoption of minutes/Errors or omissions

Marc Theriault moved to accept the minutes as printed. Stephanie Toews seconded, and all were in favor.

2. Treasurer's Report

- a. Bingo Treasurer Report/Financial Statement – Balance of \$47,431.54. Adopted by Marc Theriault, seconded by Nicole Earle and all were in favor.
- b. Parent Council Treasurer Report – Balance of \$16,971.11. Adopted by Marc Theriault, seconded by Nicole Earle and all were in favor.
- c. Casino Treasurer – Balance of \$22,969.26. Adopted by Marc Theriault, seconded by Nicole Earle and all were in favor.

3. Committee Report

- a. Bingo Report – Thank you to all the volunteers who help with the September bingo!

Upcoming bingos include:

- October 16, 5 – 10pm
- November 9, 5 – 10pm
- December 12, 5 – 10pm

4. New Business

- a. 2024/2025 Parent Council Budget – Stephanie Toews presented and explained the budget. Nicole Earle motioned to accept the budget as presented. Marc Theriault seconded, and all were in favor.

Proposed budget is as follows:

Parent Council Account: \$10,915.00

Bingo Account: \$32,750.00

Casino Account: \$8,800.00

Total Budget: \$52,465.00

- b. McBride's Bakery Donut Day (October 24) – A HUGE thank you to McBride's Bakery for hosting a donut fundraiser for us. On October 24 all proceeds from donut sales will be donated to the Parent Council. We have been asked to provide some parent volunteers to help box donuts on this day, if you would like to help, please let us know by emailing cw.chair@sd76.ab.ca. Stephanie Toews made a motion to spend raised funds on table(s) for our outdoor learning space. Twyla Leistmeister seconded, and all were in favor.
- c. Fundraising Opportunities:
- Papa John's Pizza Night – this is happening on October 9 – 12. If you order pizza on these nights using our special code (check Edsby for this) you will get 15% off your order and the school will get 15% back.
 - Maverick's Tickets – watch for this upcoming fundraiser, these make great Christmas gifts!

5. Old Business

- a. Brewmaster Fundraiser – this fundraiser is now closed, pick up of product will happen during the Exhibition of Learning on October 17. All orders must be picked up on this day as we have no where to store frozen meat.

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