

School Council Meeting Minutes April 8th, 2026

Meeting Details

6:30 PM / In person @ Dalhousie Elementary/ Hybrid via Microsoft teams

Land Acknowledgement: Odessa Haberli & Hendrick Haberli

Attendees: Sebastien Fournier, Holly Fedosoff, Heather Haberli, Jackie Bilsky, Amanda Tsai, Heather Ryan, Melissa Tchir, Laura Blatz, Anna Jover, Shannon Gibson, Melissa McCarthy, Kristen Stonehouse, Rachelle Houda, Melissa Dicus, Jeanne Liendo, Steph , Jacinda Marchuk, Rachel Crossland, Alexjandro Coy, Aliya, Robert Fedosoff, Amber Lenzin, Lori Walker Krause,

Topic	Discussion
Teacher Rep Updates	<p>Teacher reps Srta. Houde & Sra. Liendo in attendance.</p> <p>Srta. Houda is requesting a Grade 1 Field Trip to the Laiton Arts Center. You walk in nature, talk about local plants and do an art project.</p> <p>It was a great memorable experience and how artist use the land.</p> <p>Cost is \$1100 per class (\$43 per student) Including \$430 bussing fee. Looking for parent society funding to reduce fees to \$25 a student.</p> <p>There are studio spots available. 3 hour and 1 hour commute each way.</p>
Teacher Updates	<p>Sra. Liendo has been organizing the indigenous studies.</p> <p>A knowledge keeper came to each classroom all week to teach lessons on respect and reciprocity. He is Blackfoot of the sick Sica nation.</p> <p>CASLT Video Winner A group of students in her Grade 6 class won. Samara, Charley, Emrys, Avery and Marmar.</p> <p>They have the chance to win the peoples choice award also.</p>
Principal Updates	<p>Thank you again for the badminton nets and sports equipment. Kids are super excited.</p> <p>Summary School Engagement 2025-2026 presented. All responses and information to be posted to the school website.</p>

	<p><u>Coming up at Dalhousie.</u></p> <p>Read-a-thon is going great.</p> <p>Movie Night – Thursday April 16th. 6-8pm. Cash donation at the door. BYOB snacks. Chips & water being sold.</p> <p>Spring Concert. Capacity concerns kinder and grade 1 are separated. Concerts are 29th & 30th. Schedule to come out this week.</p> <p>Que Pasa – May 12th at Jubilee from 1-3pm. Information forms going out to students this week.</p>
<p>Garden updates from Heather</p>	<p>Phase 1 Reflections on the 2024/25 school year garden project.</p> <p>Phase 1 timelines took a bit longer but it all got completed. Kids loved helping out. Rodents are eating all the junipers. It's a major problem we are looking into. Challenges with indigenous consultation. Fence and pathway are ongoing The late start created unfinished tasks and limited plant stock.</p> <p>Looking for suggestion and feedback on upcoming projects. For phase 2.</p> <p>Looking for volunteer spring/summer watering schedule And additional volunteers. They will set up a sign-up list for ongoing help.</p>
<p>Notes from Holly</p>	<p>Yellow Step presentation. Was there a date set. Sebastien to follow up on timelines.</p> <p>Grant presentation. Presentation from Yellow Step can be added to list of speakers.</p> <p>We will also do a cyber safety course on June 9th at the school. Sign-up link to be sent out on social media.</p>

Next Meeting: May 6th.

Upcoming meeting agenda will be posted on the school website proper to following meeting.

Limited copies to be printed and shared at in-person meeting.

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