

# School Council Meeting Minutes December 10, 2025

## Meeting Details

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

Land Acknowledgement: Heather Haberli

Attendees: Sebastien Fournier, Alexandra Canals Butcher, Ruth Martinez, Heather Haberli, Holly Fedosoff, Jackie Bilsky, Anna Jover, Amanda Tsai, Heather Ryan, Kelsey Forest, Melissa Tchir, Stephanie Pinch, Valerie Noda, Melissa Dicus, Aliya Ramji, Allison Pinnoc.

Topic	Discussion
<b>Spanish Visiting Teachers in Calgary</b> <b>Alexandra Canals Butcher</b> <b>Ruth Martinez</b>	<p>What is the Spanish visiting program. To promote Spanish worldwide &amp; to place qualified teachers from Spain in schools. Sra. Canals – From Catalonia and speaks Catalan and Spanish. Sra. Martinex – From Palencia. Last 12 years lived in Malaga.</p> <p>Spanish Language is a global language spoke by millions. Spanish connects us.</p>
<b>Update from School Council:</b> <b>Heather Haberti</b>	<p>Budget &amp; donations to support SC initiatives</p> <p>Proposed document to amend/ add to SC policies and bylaws. Will include financial outline, timelines and standardized info.</p> <p>Chinook learning services have Spanish level 1 and level 2 programs now.</p> <p>Updated from Sebastian for digital poster boards. Digital posters are going to show student artwork at the front door. Back door board is good to proceed with SC updates. Just working through mounting and electrical. Timeline TBD.</p> <p>Optional outdoor poster/info locations. Open to suggestions on location and materials.</p> <p>Website will be a primary source of information. Social media and supplementary emails are secondary information sources.</p> <p>Teacher budget. \$5000 set aside for teacher requests. Holly to talk to teachers on Friday to discuss requests.</p>
<b>Teacher Representative:</b> <b>Sebastian Fournier</b>	<p>Thanks to PS for Money for Teacher meals at Teacher Conferences.</p> <p>Also thank you for the busing fees for the climbing wall and skiing. \$20 per student.</p> <p>Mural update. They are still waiting for 2 new concepts. David and Maya are away till January. March activation on site.</p> <p>Camera system. Not being installed to end of March. We still have operational cameras.</p>

	<p>Open House on Thursday January 8<sup>th</sup>. CBE will push the information on the website and in our newsletter. Student council and parent council will attend, DCA before and aftercare will also be at the meeting.</p> <p>Cold Weather – Winsport cancelled Skiing tomorrow due to weather. -25 all off site activities are cancelled.</p> <p>Entry is open to the school in the am and outdoor breaks will remain indoors when its -20 or colder.</p> <p>Welcomed the ISA Spanish embassy to see how the Spanish visiting teachers are doing in our school. We currently have 3 visiting teachers.  Sra. Canals Butcher – Gr 5  Sra. Martinez – Gr 2  Srta. Sequeros – Gr 3  Srta. Oviedo – Music Specialist – Was an SVT past 5 years</p> <p>We were the only school the visited in the CBE. We are very fortunate to be chosen to showcase the amazing work from our teachers and students.</p> <p>They toured each classroom and were very impressed with the lessons in Spanish. The students did amazing and were very engaging.</p> <p>Summary online for 2025-2026 of school fees are posted online and a report of last year's fees.</p>
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### **Next Meeting: January 14th**

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

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