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Coalbanks Elementary School Council

Agenda – May 14, 2025 In Commons Area

**Agenda set 1 week (7 days) before meeting. Please have all agenda items sent to Chris Roedler at least 2 weeks (14 days) before meeting date to be considered for meeting.*

- 1) **Call to Order:** Chris Roedler 6:00pm
- 2) **Land Acknowledgement:** Chris Roedler
- 3) **Review of Agenda:** Chris Roedler
- 4) **Approval of Previous Minutes:** Chris Roedler (motion to accept) [Motion: Whitney Olitch](#)
- 5) **School Admin Reports:** Joey Gentile
 - **Assurance Survey Results Report**-Mr. Gentile will share the drafted results report and will ask for feedback from parents in attendance regarding our results. Results report will be shared at the meeting. [Review complete.](#)
 - **Budget Update for the 2025-2026 School Year** [Budget is by far the worst budget. Major shortfalls at Coalbanks, staff will be reduced. Losing a teacher, support staff and office staff and caretaking staff will be cut. 1.5m to trim \(Spanish teachers big part, 400k to complete\) Contact MLA to inform them how important the teachers and support staff are and how they need more help. Cost of living and salaries are not where they need to be, the complex needs are the highest demand at this point. Will be a challenging year. Please support, lobby public education.](#)
 - **Modular Construction Update** [Not one modular project has ever started on time. Wards Bro. Game plan was to move the modulares over break when the kids were not here. August 15th was the promised occupancy date. As more information comes they will keep us posted.](#)
 - **Classlists – introduction of a new program called Class Solver** [Classlists will not be ready until September. Grade 4/5 classes are higher 24/25 kids per class. Looking to split the kids up to add another teacher is the goal. Info will be sent the last weekend in August as usual. New program will be used – great program – Class Solver. Characteristics and rules to help sort the kids appropriately. Will be able to help out grade 5 students moving to grade 6.](#)



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- **Sports Day** – May 29th or alternate date of June 5th weather dependent. Request of School Council support for Sports Day treats. [We need volunteers which is why it is a week later.](#) Request from Mike Weavers for School Council to donate snacks for the kids. Motion for up to \$500 for sports day treats. Motion – Chris Roedler, second Tom Barnes.
- **Year-end Celebration BBQ** – June 17th with a backup date of June 18th. Families must rsvp by no later than May 30th. [Pass the message on to friends, no late RSVP's to the BBQ so we can get the numbers.](#) Sitting #1: 5pm-6pm Sitting #2: 6pm-7pm. Two sittings. Help with the Registration? Free of charge.
- **Tuesday, May 20th** – PL Day for staff. No school for students. [School day for Staff. Will be going through the new report cards.](#)
- **Coalbanks School Council Annual General Meeting** – Tuesday, June 10th at 6:00 pm. Elections will take place this date. If you are interested in running or curious about any of the positions, please contact Mr. Gentile. **Please note that the first portion of June 10th will be our meeting with elections to follow. This meeting may run longer than our usual 1-hour meeting time.**

6) School Council Reports:

- i. Treasurer Report – Tom [\\$11,961.59.](#) A few deposits for hot lunch have [been coming in and will be paid when complete.](#)
- ii. District Council Report – Skye – Craig – Good presentation about the REP program, 7,8 and plus. Positive feedback. Quick meeting. Talked about busing, budget, code of conduct. Next meeting – June 9th and that will be food and meeting. Board report – ICE scholarship total \$14,000 for sponsorships. Amazing entrepreneurship. Tim Horton's smile cookie campaign raised \$70,000. Cardiac Arrest response plan. 3 simple things: What to assume and what to do, this poster will be put up in schools. Information: Less than 10 staff that are trained in first aid. Would be awesome to have half the staff trained in first aid. How can we fix this? Can a PD day be set for first aid certification? 7 policies are ready to go out of 30.

Budget: Because of the govt. wanting us to use up the surplus. We are down to 1.5 % of our budget. No wiggle room. Facing a 6million defecate. Central office will have cuts first and then down to the schools. Public meeting on the May 20th 2-6pm for the presentation of the budget and questions. May 26th budget debate and either pass or deny. Then board meeting on May 27th. Review 6-9th grade for middle school first



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thing that will happen is they will go around to the school with the arch plans to find out what is going on at each school. 2025/26 instead of one big town hall meeting cut it into 4 town hall meetings. Split the schools that feed into each area and have a meeting to develop questions from those parents, staff, admin. This is an idea, not something that is definitely going to happen. Middle of September to run for school board. Our grade levels have not been reviewed in 21 years. Elementary being K-6, middle school being 7-9, and high school 10-12. Working hard to mitigate the devastation.

7) Old Business

- i. AGM Date June 10, 2025 - Set.
- ii. Hot lunch Joey's fish shack happening last week in May. Closes on the 20th
- iii. Teacher appreciation day in June?? Ideas: Staff is feeling tired, lots on the go, can we pick a day to do an appreciation day instead of a whole week. Could do something the last week of May? Or **first week of June** (June 2nd could be good, June 3rd or June 4th. Let's plan on Tuesday, June 3rd. 50 staff members. Motion to spend up to \$400 for teacher appreciation week. Chris motion – Tom second.

8) New Business

- i. **Motion for snack purchase for Sports Day DONE!**

9) Adjournment 6:53pm adjourned.

Attendance:

Jen Thomson – staff
Craig Whitehead
Whitney Olitch
Tom Barnes
Chris Roedler
Skye Curtis
Joey Gentile

Coalbanks Elementary *Is happy to honour and acknowledge the sacred land we live and work on, Sikoohkotoki, as the traditional lands of the Siksikaitsitapi, the Blackfoot Confederacy. I want to recognize all signatory Nations of Treaty 7, members of the Métis Nation, and all Indigenous people who now call Lethbridge home.*