

DMC School Council – Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, March 12, 2026

In Attendance: Sasha, Kari, Keely, Anna, Frankie, Sheree, Jason, Wayne, Kim, Tonya, Jamie

1. Welcome and Call to Order

Meeting called to order @ 6:02pm

2. Teacher Presentation:

- Jamie Kim: humanities and health, Grade 8
 - Learning about Renaissance Europe
 - LA
 - lots of reading, Socratic seminars, great engagement
 - engagement even from low students
 - grade 8s are nervous about grade 9
 - kids are starting to aim for 3s and 4s to prepare for high school
 - bringing in Youth Link for all the grades, for grade 9s it will be a bit more in depth
 - Literature Circles are mandatory, get more choice, level of engagement is night and day
 - Accountability piece, they are responsible in their own groups for creating reading schedule
 - Consistent expectations across grades
- Tonya: Grade 9
 - Current events presentations
 - Sign up for a date of presentation, responsible for picking the article, teaching the class and informing the class, generating discussion
 - Today they had an article on oil shortage and what's going on in Iran
 - High school registration is complete, counselors will be reviewing and coming back with questions
 - PATs, there's practice being posted on Google Classroom
 - Kids are being prepped for PATs and getting lots of practice and exposure

3. Approval of Agenda: All in favour

4. Approval of Previous Minutes: All in favour

- Sasha to update that Steph was in attendance via phone call

5. Principal's Report:

- 2026 School Planning (will be posted on school website)
- Alison Springer, two presentations on Monday (topic: self esteem, confident, resilience)
- Had a really hard time using the CBE Gift cars, to find a presentation that fit their criteria, super tight criteria (Ideas for next year: youth link has a parent component, Frankie – connection with an elder)
- Complexity funding, supposed to come in the spring, our school is not slated to see it
- Presentation for Council Team, will also get posted on the website, survey at the end of this
 - Review of School Development Plan
 - School Budget
 - \$5,443,551
 - 75% of that covers staffing, and the rest covers supplies
 - Enrollment for 2026/2027: 907, about 30 less than this year
 - School fees for field trips, in school activities, artists, sports teams, complimentary courses, presenters
 - Only 65%-70% of families pay their fees (not sent to collections for school based fees, but school eats the cost of field trips and activities fees)
- Will update SDP and post to website

6. Other Business: None

Meeting Adjourned @ 6:48pm