



SOSS PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL GENERAL MEETING Nov 20, 2025

Attendees:

Nicole Sizemore Carmen Hood Linda Enockson
Michelle Bell (presenting guest)

Bev Young – Principal
Barb Barley – Chair
Gillian Tucker - Vice Chair
Melanie Luypen – Treasurer
Jocelyn Kirs – Secretary (via Zoom)
N/A - SD53 Board Rep

1. Meeting Called to order 6:37pm

2. Presentation of Desert Sun Counselling and Resource Centre By Michelle Bell

2 Offices - Oliver and Osoyoos
In the community for 30 years!!
Run 27 programs

Just to name a few: Safe Home, Parenting programs, Roots of Empathy in schools, Counselors in schools, fee for service counseling, Teaching Kitchen, Circle of Security, Better at home - senior support (based on income), Mens Shed, Computer Tech program in Oliver & Osoyoos, Community Lift bus, community connector for medical services, Social meals program.

Empty Bowls fundraiser HAPPENING NOW!!

3. Adoption of Minutes

- Minutes adopted from the previous meeting (Oct 25).

AGREED First Melanie Luyken Second Linda Enockson

4. Treasurer's Report:

General Account: \$6,182.57

Gaming Account: \$299.32

Current TOTAL Funds available: \$6,481.89

General Account Activity:

Deposit - Oct 23/25 \$681.40 BTS BBQ donations from SOSS
Deposit - \$309.60 (Cash) Microgreens fundraiser

Gaming Account Activity:

Cheq#186 Oct 21/25 \$500 Jr. Field hockey helmet (H. Stopa)

Cleared - Oct 29/25

Outstanding Request to be paid:

N/A

NOTE:

AGREED

First Gillian Tucker Second Jocelyn Kirs

5. School Board Report:

- Jocelyn skimmed through relevant news to share.

6. Administration Report:

- New for November
 - Term One came to a close. Report Cards went home via email link on Friday. Please log into Spaces and MyEducationBC regularly for updates on student progress.
 - Quarter two electives have begun
 - Second school wide pancake breakfast
 - Showcase Assemblies – Tuesday, November 18th
 - Phone policy reminders
- Extra-curricular
 - ➤ Lots of sports, athletics and clubs happening at SOSS!
 - Volleyball wrapped up, Sr. Girls off to provincials - Fan Bus!!
 - Field hockey and Cross-Country Running teams competed at provincials
 - Basketball beginning
 - All other clubs still running
 - ➤ Rehearsals for the production of Rock of Ages have begun
- Gearing up for December Activities:
 - Winter dance planned for Thursday, December 4th
 - Christmas Chaos December 19th
- Grad News:
 - Meat and plant fundraisers – purchase online from school website or paper order forms in office. Students reduce their grad fees by \$5 for every item sold!
 - Dry Grad possibilities are still being researched. The Grad Committee has been meeting to share ideas and research trip details. A survey will go out to all Grads once possible locations have been finalized.
 - Prom Committee meetings start this week!
 - Post-secondary applications - deadline to be considered for Early Entrance awards at most institutions is December 15th so students should be getting those applications in.
- Recruitment for SOSS Principal
 - Posting has gone out with a start date of February 1, 2026, or by mutual agreement. The posting closes at the end of November.

7. Old Business:

- Microgreens Fundraiser Update
 - Boost awareness in January.
 - Semester 1 “Celebration of learning” table sales.
- New Fundraiser ideas
 - Poker Night Fundraiser
 - 50/50 raffle?
 - Burger & Beer night?
 - Flealess Hound - Barb to inquire?
 - No go as soon as “beer” is involved but should be ok

if it's just food.

- Received a gift certificate from No Frills - Thank you!
- The cupcakes were great.
- The music was great!

8. New Business

- Fundraising opportunities
 - BFIT training
 - Case Lot Guys - Okanagan 10lb Grandpa's Navel oranges case lot fundraiser - Mel to look into.
- Funding Requests
 - Volleyball provincials - not approved.

Meeting adjourned @ 7:35pm

Next General meeting Thursday Jan 15/25 @ 6:35pm