

March School Council Meeting

March 10th, 2026

1. Call to order – 6pm – Charmaine Uys

a.) Opening Prayer – Jackie Kraemer

Heavenly Father,

We gather together in Your presence, seeking Your guidance and wisdom as we work to support our St. Francis school community. Bless this council with open hearts and clear minds, that we may listen, collaborate, and make decisions rooted in kindness, respect, and a shared commitment to our students, staff, and families.

Grant us patience and understanding as we discuss and plan, keeping in mind the values of compassion and inclusivity. May our actions reflect Your love and help us create a nurturing and safe environment for all who are part of our school.

Bless our students, teachers, and families, and let our efforts today bring joy, growth, and a sense of togetherness in our community. We ask this in Your name.

Amen.

b.) Land Acknowledgement – Charmaine Uys

Before we begin, I would like to acknowledge that the land on which we reside is the traditional Blackfoot Confederacy territory. We honour the Blackfoot people and their traditional ways of knowing and caring for this land, as well as all Indigenous Peoples who have helped shape and continue to strengthen our St. Francis community.

2. Welcome and Introductions- Jackie, Danielle Lazaretto, Lindsey Prete, Mallory E, Heather, Chantelle M, Carmen L, Cassy S, Jeanine, Joliane

3. Approval of minutes from the January 2026 meeting

- Danielle Lazaretto Approved, Brody Prete seconded

4. Old Business

- signatures changed on the accounts
- request for support for the learning lab: where the support goes this year is something to be brought more to the board

5. New Business

- request for funds: does school council want to do a school fundraiser to support school funds?
 - Chocolate fundraising money all stays within the school, not to school council. Only 1 box left, but around 200 students said no to this fundraiser. These funds go towards field trips, metal work equipment. This info will be included in a fundraising report in the future.
 - school council only gets money through student fees.
 - separate groups are doing their own fundraising ie: banff band trip, leadership, ect. as they have to follow specific fundraising rules.
 - if school council wants to do a fundraiser such as popcorn, ect; we just need to be specific regarding what it is for (such as academic awards)
 - will need to spend a bit of money depending on what school fees will be to have a \$0 balance at the end of June.
 - no aim to do any additional fundraising at this point
 - make a potential wish list in case we have money to spend (Jackie)
- Yearbook: no happening. Has only happened once in the last 8 years.
 - Can we revive it? No- not enough pictures to make it happen at this point in the year.
 - Would Heather take it back on next year? Or council sub-committee to work on it and utilize this as a fundraising opportunity? Parent volunteers for next year?
 - Can't share the grade 9 slideshow online due to parental consent required for every individual.

6. Trustee's Report-

- reminder of the town hall on the budgets:
 - March 11@ 6pm CCH West

- March 18 @ 6pm CCH East
- March 23 @ 5pm Virtual
- Alberta School Council Association Conference
 - April 25-26 in Edmonton (virtual and in person). Board member registration fee will be covered.

7. Treasurer's Report

- Jan-Feb 2026 Report
 - Opening balance January 1/26 : \$2708.39
 - Closing balance February 28/26: \$2692.39
 - No funds deposited into the Community Builder account during the stated period.
 - Total debits from account: \$16.00
 - Monthly maintenance (2@\$5.00) = \$10.00
 - Statement print service (2@\$3.00)= \$6.00
 - discussed how to decrease expenditures such as print service. No plans to change anything at this time.
- September- October 2025
 - Opening balance on 2025-09-01: \$3507.39
 - Closing balance on 2025-10-31: \$5734.29
 - Total credits to the account: \$2233.00 (2025-10-09)
 - Total debits from the account: \$16.00
 - monthly maintenance (2@ \$5.00)= \$10.00
 - Statement print service (2 @ \$3.00)= \$6.00
- Amendment to previous report: The stated member shareholder account balance was an error due to misinformation. We cannot access those funds. The St. Francis Parent Council shareholder account as of 2026-02-01 is \$86.78

Trends in money movement:

(based on the previous 24 months only)

Expenditures include:

- banking fees (monthly): \$8.00
- Student awards contribution (yearly): \$3000.00
- staff appreciation lunch (June 2024): \$873.30
- Donation to CCHS musical (March 2025): \$50.00

Deposits include:

- student feeds deposit (average, highly variable): \$2537.50

8. Principal's Report- Attached

-9. Closing Prayer- Jackie Kraemer

10. Adjournment- Charmaine Uys @ 6:46pm

Principals Report

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1. Staffing Updates:
 - a. Morgan Boyes - ELA, PE
 - b. Griffin Dyck - Grade 9 Social/option classes
 - c. Sadi Beltran De Ramos
 - d. PSII - 5 student teachers
2. Schollie Survey:
 - a. Thank you for all that participated!
3. Nutrition grant
4. Office Hours/ Parent Teacher Interviews
 - a. Office Hours posted on our website - call the office to book in.
 - b. Interviews on March 26 - book through conference manager (shared in messenger today)

5. Registration Updates
 - a. please do this asap
 - b. boundaries
6. Cinderella tickets on sale now - website
7. Showcase - March 17 6pm
8. Grade 8 Fieldtrip to Polytechnic - trades education
9. Budget town hall please attend - March 11 CCH West @ 6pm