

Penbrooke Meadows School Council

Minutes for Wednesday, May 21, 2025

5:30 pm online

1. Welcome and introductions

In attendance- Amanullah, Zohra, Molly, Jill, Lourie, Mustefa, Melanie, Sue, Kim, Rebecca, Janelle, Shakila

2. February and April minutes were approved as posted

3. Principal's report

- a. Kindergarten Teaching Team shared an update on learning
- b. enrollment 268
- c. A big thank you to all the parents and family who attended our spring concerts last week. Mrs. Fach and her team of helpers did a wonderful job of leading 4 amazing concerts over the two days and the kids all did a wonderful job!
- d. Grade 6 students will be writing provincial achievement tests in May and June. Wednesday, May 28 will be the first test and it is ELAL (writing). The rest of the tests will be in June. Friday, June 13 is the first part of the math test. Monday June 16 is the second ELAL (reading) test. Tuesday, June 17 is the second math test. And the final test this year is the social studies test on Wednesday, June 18. Most tests occur in the morning so it's important for students to be on time on these days.
- e. Walk zone changes and transportation information has changed for next school year. Some families in Penbrooke Meadows School will be eligible for bus transportation next year. If you think you may wish to have your child take the bus (and you are eligible) you should register your child online for the bus now. Transportation will use the registered students to determine where to locate the bus stops in the fall. If you do not register by the deadline, your address will not be included when calculating where to place the stops. There will be a fee for the bus service but it is covered if you qualify for a waiver.
- f. Waiver applications must be submitted each year. Families who qualify for City of Calgary Fare Entry Program will be approved for the CBE waiver. There are also other criteria that may apply for families. Please call the office or see the website for more details. It is not too late to submit a waiver application for lunchroom fees for this year or last year (2023-24).
- g. A reminder that if your child will be moving to a new school, other than our grade 6s (who we are aware of) please let us know in the office so we can ensure a smooth transition.

- h. Farewell assembly- an end of the year celebration assembly and farewell to our students who are moving on, will be held at 1:30pm on Wednesday, June 25th . Parents and guests are welcome to attend.
 - i. We will be having our Welcome to Kindergarten session for students and families this **Friday, May 23**. Invitations have been sent to all families with a student registered. If you (or someone you know) has a child who can start kindergarten next year, please give us a call in the office.
- 4. Upcoming Fun lunches- Wednesday, June 25 NoodleBox. Register online through HealthyHunger.ca and create an account if you haven't yet. A reminder that parents will need to update their accounts in September for next year's lunches.
- 5. Parent engagement money from government-A decision was made to return the money and make plans to utilize the new funds next year if they are provided by the government.
- 6. Last meeting of 2024-25:

Wednesday June 18th at 5:30 PM will be combined with an ice cream social for families.