

CMS PAC MINUTES – September 22nd, 2025

In Attendance:

Debra Ercanbrack	Chair
Pollaris Raymond	Vice Chair
Charlotte Lambert	Secretary
Kristy Hodson	Treasurer
Stacey Pickles	Principal
Kathryn Popma	Vice Principal
Stephanie Pemble	Parent
Jamie Cannon	Parent
Erin Minter	Parent
Nadine Mackay	Parent
Sheri Vogt	Parent

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Call to Order, Land Acknowledgement, Agenda, and Minutes

- Called to order 7:01 PM.
- Quorum met.
- Introductions.
- Adoption of Agenda – Stephanie motions to approve, Charlotte seconds.

2. REPORTS

2.1 Principals Report:

- Up 2 Divisions this year, sitting at 640 students as of September 2025
- Truth & Reconciliation:
 - Our Grade 8s will head out on a field trip to Island 22 with the Indigenous Education Department - an authentic partnership we're really looking forward to.

- Caroline McDonald and other staff members have shared resources to spark meaningful conversations in classrooms.
 - Slide will be drumming and signing on Tuesday, September 23 from 12:45-1:15 in front of the school over lunch.
 - Friday we will close the week by recognizing Orange Shirt Day together.
- Middle Years Project:
 - Layton Schnellart will be back working with our staff for four partial days this year. He was well received by our staff the last two years and we look forward to having him here this year. Our Grade 7 and 8 team will be working alongside.
- September 29th and October 1:
 - While the students are home on the 29th, the staff will take part in professional learning around Anti-Racism with keynote speaker Jeff A.D. Martin, who will also present to our students later on in the week. We are excited for the learning opportunities for both staff and students.
- Student Engagement Group:
 - Using the voice to focus on the values of SD33 Values and alignment with the Accessibility Plan. Student representation from each middle school are meeting five times a year and will share their work not only with our school but also with the District and school board.
- Drill Week:
 - We are holding a practice for all drills October 20-24.
- Athletics & Clubs:
 - Athletics are up and running with boys and girls volleyball, cross country and boys soccer. We are super thankful for the coaches who have volunteered their time.

- Parents are needed! Keep your eyes open as we continue the school year, as to what sport or activity YOU may be able to support or coach in!
- Interior Paint Job:
 - Every 5 days 1 teacher and class will be moved out to MP room/courtyard. Over Spring Break, the main common areas will be painted.
- School Clubs: Please read the full Principal's Report for the list! You can also check on the website for full details.

Again, please see the full attached report for all information which will also share Athletics & Clubs, updates.

2.2 Treasurer Report:

- Please see the attached Treasurer Report, for full details.
- Gaming Grant has been applied for, end of June, 2025, and a summary has been submitted.
- A reminder that November's PAC meeting hosts the CMS staff who attend to petition their classroom and/or extracurriculars.
- Other grants to explore were discussed.

2.3 DPAC Report:

- No news currently, as DPAC has not had a meeting yet, and, we do not have a CMS DPAC Rep.
- Discussion arose around CMS lacking a DPAC Representative.
- Questions were asked to clarify what holding that spot entails, in terms of the time commitment and what is relied from school to school. Several new attendees shared their past experiences.

3.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- None currently.

4.0 NEW BUSINESS:

4.1: New Grants:

- Shannon, CMS accounts clerk, reached out to Deb (Chair) around the Lions Club Grant. This is a tricky one, as it falls more as a Gaming Grant, which is a near for sure. This will be carried over to October, and we will put out to approve at the October meeting.

4.2: Fundraising:

- Fundraising: Are there any interest to support or head a fundraiser? This is something that we will put out to the PAC at large and spread the word as to what we may fundraiser for specific goal.
- The consensus is to that middle school parents are keen to not step into larger fundraisers, however, there is something such as Neufeld Farms, which is a very tidy fundraiser.

4.3: CMS PAC Social Media:

- PAC Executive would like to have someone to carry out the role of posting, communicating the information as needed. This will be carried into the October meeting.

4.4: CMS Parent Volunteer Position:

- A parent volunteer spot is still open to oversee the school's lunch store. This will most likely be highlighted via PAC FB page and also the CMS newsletter. FoodSafe is required.

4.5: Open Discussion:

- Discussion opened, with parents sharing what they have been pleased, or concerned, with, in entering this school year, especially as Grade 6 students.

- . More discussion arose around the November meeting, in how the funds will be allocated and decided upon.
- . Questions around academic pushes, for students Grade 6-8, were asked of our principals. A CDIEP, around gifted students, was discussed, out of interest of several parents.

5.0 NEXT MEETING: Monday October 20th, in the CMS Library.

6.0 ADJOURNMENT: Debra motions, Stephanie Seconds. Meeting adjourned at 8:01PM.