

AGENDA

Robert Thirsk High School (RTHS) School Parent Council

May 12, 2026

Face to Face Participants: Jackie O, Keri B, Frank C, Moses C, Mandy, Monique C, Tammy S

Online Participants: Sara M, Rachelle W

1. Call to Order at 06:34 pm

2. Welcoming remarks

3. Land Acknowledgement

The CBE acknowledges the traditional territories and oral practices of the Treaty 7 Nations, including the Siksikaitstapi Nations, Tsut'ina Nation, and *the* Îyârhe Nakoda Nations. We acknowledge the Métis Nation within Alberta, and all the people who make their homes in the Treaty 7 region of Southern Alberta.

As a learning organization, we are committed to advancing the Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action focused on Education for ReconciliACTION.

4. Approval of Agenda – motioned by Moses C. and seconded by Keri B

5. Approval of Meeting Minutes from April 14, 2026 (available on the website) motioned by Moses C and seconded by Keri B

6. Reports:

i. Principals' Report

ii. Update on student numbers and staffing for the 2026-27 school year

- Decrease in student numbers – surplus 4 positions
- One posting for a Resource Learning Leader
- Still a closed school
- Discussion around how decisions are made with regards to teachers when student numbers decrease
- Discussion related to course registration/courses on the student pick list

iii. School Bell Schedule 2026-27

- Start and end times remain the same
- Connect moves to Wednesday
 - a. Requires no switching of days when Friday is a non-instructional day. Consistency. Alleviates concerns of short periods on a Friday

iv. Athletic update

- Lots of games have been rained out, so trying to complete the season in a good way for Rugby, Soccer and Track and Field. We shared a boys rugby team with Diefenbaker – both schools had limited numbers.
- Musical, Urinetown was a success.

- iv. Peer tutoring is in full swing. Wellness week- students led a variety of activities to draw attention to well-being, including Instagram posts that were phenomenal. Wellness baskets have been organized and placed in the classrooms.
- v. Plant sale - \$4000 from the sale (1500 was the invested amount needed to get their money back). Students had lots of fun growing and selling the plants.
- vi. Slam poetry competition – Thirsk placed first in the province. Poems showed immense creativity and sophistication.

ii. Chair Report

- i. Need for volunteers for next year: Frank C will Chair and Moses will Vice Chair, Claudia considering Treasurer, Kerri continue with Grad, Cindy/Jackie for Casino, Jackie Director at Large, Sara, Secretary if Claudia moves to treasurer. The Fundraising and Secretary Positions are still open. Council Facebook is needing updates, Council Email requires Lori to provide us with access, Claudia will email and follow up. Chair and treasurer need to sign on meeting minutes to support Frank having signing authority.

ii. Meetings for next year

First meeting of the 26/27 School Year will be September 15th. Moving forward meetings will move back to the 2nd Tuesday of the Month. Those wishing to volunteer must be present at the first meeting.

iii. Events - Keri

- i. Pizza and Dirty Soda – Hosted 3 Pizza days since January 2026. Not as many pre-sales, however in person sales were fantastic. Cindy F has previously helped with this event, however as their child is graduating, we will require an additional volunteer to help.

7. School Council Updates

- i. Chair – Moses Chidemo
- ii. Vicechair – Frank C
- iii. Secretary – Claudia Calderon Segura
- iv. Treasurer – Vicky (Transition planning)
- v. Fundraising Director – Vacant
- vi. Casino Director – Cindy Ly
- vii. Grad/Events Committee Director – Keri
- viii. Director at Large – Jackie O

8. New Business

9. Announcements

- i. Next meeting to approve meeting minutes and review changes to bylaws: Monday June 15th 6:00PM Online only
- ii. AGM 2026-27 school year: Tuesday September 15, 2026 (Face to Face only)

iii. Regular meeting: Tuesday October 13, 2026 (Hybrid)

10. Adjournment at 7:47pm