

## Meeting Minutes

### Robert Thirsk Parent Council Meeting

November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025

**Attendees: (in person) Lori J., Andrea S., Frank C., Jackie W., Cindy L., Moses C., Marion I., Monique C., Cindy F., Sarah M., Ahmad Z., Mandy H., (online) Tammy S., Juliet O., Pia E., Claudia C.**

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting called to order at 7:20pm by Lori J.
2. **Introductions:** Attendees previously introduced themselves at council meeting.
3. **Welcoming remarks:** Land acknowledgement previously read by Lori J.
4. **Approval of Agenda:** Motioned by Lori J., Seconded by Moses C.
5. **Approval of Minutes of May 2025 Meeting:** Minutes could not be presented at this time – table to future meeting.
6. **Reports:**
  - a. **Treasurer’s Report: None available - tabled to future meeting.**
  - b. **Casino Chair’s Report:**
    - i. The committee received an email in August from ‘Pure Casino’ in Calgary, (NE). They have given us two dates on February 14 and 15<sup>th</sup> of 2026, during the long weekend.
    - ii. There will be a sign-up Genius and Shelley will send this out.
7. **School Society Update:**
  - a. **Fundraising:**
    - i. Keri’s team organized a Seniore’s Pizza and dirty soda fundraising event for Friday, December 5th, and the email has been sent out to parents.
  - b. **School Council Elections:**
    - i. **Chair:** Lori J. stepped down. Moses C. ran unopposed and was elected as new chair.
    - ii. **Vice Chair:** Moses C. stepped down. Pia E. ran unopposed and was elected as new vice chair.
    - iii. **Secretary:** Claudia C. ran unopposed and was elected. Marion I. kept notes for the meeting today.
    - iv. **Treasurer:** Current treasurer not in attendance. No nominations from the floor – tabled to next meeting.
    - v. **Grad/Events Committee Director:** Current chair not in attendance. No nominations from the floor – tabled to the next meeting.
    - vi. **Casino Director:** Sarah M. stepped down. Cindy Ly ran unopposed and was elected.

- vii. **Fundraising Director:** Current director not in attendance. No nominations from the floor – tabled to the next meeting.
- viii. **Director at Large:** Frank C. ran unopposed and was elected.

**8. Old Business: none**

**9. New Business:** New Fundraising requests from staff

- a. Forensic chemistry analysis kits
- b. Truth and Reconciliation Board Game
- c. Digital control soldering iron and station kit
- d. Earth/moon wall project
- e. Volleyball end and centre posts
- f. Volleyball net
- g. New treadmill
- h. Musical therapy sessions for 10 weeks – for the four specialized classes
  - Motion by Lori J for Society to pay up to \$20,000 to cover costs of the items listed (a through h). – approved
- i. Request to have more microwaves made available to students for lunchtime use. Casino funds can be used for this purpose. No motion made at this time to approve.
- j. Parent Teacher Interviews on November 28th:
  - a. Request for council to provide muffins and coffee for the teachers in the morning.
    - Motion by Lori J. to spend up to \$500 to purchase food for the teachers on November 28<sup>th</sup>. – approved
- k. Moses C. proposed recurring meeting of executive members with school administrators a week prior to all general council/society meetings to discuss agenda items. Next such meeting set for January 7<sup>th</sup>.
- l. Proposed Meeting Dates for 2025-26 year:
  - **January 13th, 2026**
  - **February 10th, 2026**
  - **March 10th, 2026**
  - **April 14th, 2026**
  - **May 12th, 2026**

**10. Adjournment: meeting adjourned at 8:05pm**