



SUNALTA SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

10 MARCH 2026 6:30 PM

ATTENDANCE & DISTRIBUTION

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SCHOOL COUCL	Dana Riley, Lindsey Starko, Sarah Duff, Nigel Lalande, Katrina Edgerton-McGhan Amanda Kuchma, Desirae Robertson, Emily Gillis, Rizza Pandya <i>Regrets: Adam Morrison, Farrah Sunderji, Kate Mueller, Lesleigh Russell, Nicky Morrison, Rebecca Szybunka</i>
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION	Hilary Wright, Principal (virtual) Elaine Hordo, Assistant Principal
GUESTS	Susan Vukadinovic, CBE Trustee for Ward 8 and 9

1 Welcome & Council Introduction

- a) Call to order
 - The School Council meeting was called to order by Dana Riley, Council Chair at 6:35pm.
 - A total of 14 participants attended the meeting, and a quorum of council positions was present.
- b) **MOTION:** To approve meeting minutes from the February 10, 2026 meeting.
 - Linsdey motioned, Desirae seconded, none opposed – motion carried.
- c) Call for additional agenda items, none proposed – agenda accepted as circulated.

2 Administrator's Report

- a) Land Acknowledgement
- b) Upcoming Key Dates
 - School is in session on Easter Monday
 - Spring concert is April 30th – grade 4-6
- c) Link for Sunalta Reads program (volunteers to read with students) is at the bottom of recent Sunalta Scoop.

3 Guest Speaker(s) – Susan Vukadinovic, CBE Trustee for Ward 08 and 09

- a) The CBE Trustee attended the school council meeting. Susan provided an overview of the roles and responsibilities of a school board trustee (oversight, advocacy, and community engagement) and highlighted some key focus areas right now. Further discussion continued based on questions from council members and parents in attendance.

Overall, the discussion highlighted the strong performance of CBE schools despite funding pressures, while emphasizing the need for improved provincial funding, better data-driven resource allocation, and policy changes to support sustainable growth and student success.

4 Chair's Report – Dana Riley, Lindsey Starko

- a) Read-A-Thon
 - Families are really excited about Read-A-Thon!
 - Lots of fun events planned for next week
 - Author visits for K-3s and 4-6s
- b) Swag Store
 - Some fun, new items available – March 31st is deadline to order.

5 Fun Lunch Update – Dana Riley for Rebecca Szybunka

- a) \$10,061 raised so far this year



- b) Incentivizing volunteers – volunteers will be entered to win a grocery gift card at end of yet; 1 entry per volunteer date.
 - Fun lunch volunteer opportunity does not require a police clearance.
- c) Future evening events (dinner orders) – consider timing of communications and make it extra clear that it's for dinner, not lunch.

6 Grade 6 Grad – Dana Riley *for Lesleigh Russell*

- a) Working with Ms. MacDonald on an art project for the yearbook.
- b) Legacy gift: request for more curling equipment, so more kids can participate at one time.
- c) Venue: June 18 or 19 will be either in the school gym or at Sunalta Hall.
- d) Fundraisers:
 - Art Cards – in progress now in classrooms. Available to order by April 10th, delivered on May 4th.
 - Bottle drive – not a lot of movement on the Grade 6 Grad specific. Elaine/Hilary talk with Lesleigh about school refundables.
 - Purdy's – orders in by March 22, pick up by April 1.
 - Spring Concert – grade 6s will be selling candy bags at the spring concert.
- e) **ACTION:** for 2026-27 school year, Treasurer to create a BottleDepot account for society to receive credit from refundables (tie to grade 6 grad account).

7 New Business

- a) Extracurricular – after school art program is running through June.

8 Closing

- a) Next meeting is April 14, 2026, 6:30pm.
- b) Meeting adjourned at 7:59pm