

**Thom Collegiate  
School Community Council Report  
Tuesday, May 28, 2024**

**In Attendance:**

Bill DeRosier – Principal  
Keeley Skrypnik – Vice-Principal  
Mary Kodas – Learning Leader / English Teacher  
Charlotte Caleval – Chair  
Jen Clark – Vice President  
Ben Sakatch – SRC Rep  
Jennifer Fitzpatrick – Member at Large  
Amy Saworski – Member at Large  
Crystal Richard – Centennial Gr 8 student parent  
Fatema Soltani and Edris Jamshidi – Mironuk Gr 8 student parent  
Latifa Karimi and Khalil Ahmad Ahmadi – Centennial Gr 8 student

1. **Call meeting to order** by Charlotte Caleval at 6:01 pm
2. **Approval of minutes** – added Jen Fitzpatrick to attendance of the March 19, 2024 meeting as she was missed off of the minutes.
3. **SRC Report (Report Given by Ben Sakatch)**
  - a. Beat Cancer – raised \$13, 716.60
  - b. Pep Rally for Spring Sports (June 10<sup>th</sup>)
  - c. Fun Day (June 12<sup>th</sup>)
  - d. Hot Chocolate Day – maybe still to come
  - e. ACT Team – Project Heart / Red Dress Day Workshop (May 9<sup>th</sup>)
  - f. Diversity Day – TnT activities and food next week
4. **Old Business:**
  - a. **Budgeting Report (Report Given by Principal Bill DeRosier)**
    - i. School Board Account - \$2,007
    - ii. Donation Account - \$101
  - b. **Approved Funding requests**
    - i. Play Day in June -\$500
    - ii. Grade 8 Spend a Day-\$200 (invite Associate School students)
    - iii. Wellness Committee- \$1000 (move to the fall?)
    - iv. Graduation-\$200 (Grad / Prom fees)
    - v. Athletic Awards \$107 (Wed June 5<sup>th</sup> @ 10:45 am)
  - c. **Charlotte Caleval moved that the Wellness money of \$1000 be moved to the fall if possible or else spend it on the Play Day in June if it can't be carried over; seconded by Jen Clark; all in favour – motion carried**

**5. Administrative Report (Report Given by Bill DeRosier, Keeley Skrypnyk, and Mary Kodas) – see appended report in addition to notes below:**

**Strategic Plan Report (Report Given by Mary Kodas)**

- a. Priority #1 Engaged and Successful Students
  - i. Reconciliation Committee work
  - ii. Triple 8 data- update will be in the fall when Ministry gives data
- b. Priority #2 Equitable and Safe Environments
  - i. Reconciliation Committee
  - ii. Wellness Group
  - iii. OurSchool Survey Update
- c. Priority #3 Healthy and Skilled Employees/Students
  - i. Regular Wellness, OHS meetings, safety drills
  - ii. Ongoing Professional Development (PD)

**d. Initial Staffing Update (51.75 FTE and projected enrolment of 783)  
(Report Given by Keeley Skrypnyk)**

**Staff Leaving**

Bill DeRosier  
Keeley Skrypnyk  
Megan Peterson  
Curtis Lothian  
Terry Pon  
Amy Moroz

**New Staff**

Jillian Southerland (P)  
Ian Temple (VP)  
Andrew Brandt  
Matthew Fehr  
Andrew Collier  
Mackenzie Mullie

- More staffing changes/updates later this week

**e. Extra-Curricular Update Report (Report Given by Keeley Skrypnyk)**

- a. The following programs have wrapped up-hockey, basketball, wrestling, Cheer. Some have been affected by sanctions.
- b. SRC, Beading, Drum Group, Robotics, GSA, Yearbook, Flag Football are in progress
- c. Spring Concert on May 29

**f. Dates (Report Given by Keeley Skrypnyk)**

May 20-24	Beat Cancer Week-SRC update
May 28	SCC Meeting @ 6:00
May 29	Spring Concert
May 29-June 2	Outdoor Pursuits Trip-Cancelled
June 5	Athletic Awards @ 10:45 and lunch
June 6	OHS Meeting
June 6-9	Science trip to Cypress Hills and East End
	Grade 12 Frenchies to Batoche
June 7	RPS Pride Day

June 19-24	Finals
June 19	Grade 8 Spend an afternoon
June 26	Grad @ 6:00 (Back up June 25 @ 12:00)
June 28	Staff Last Day

6. Next meeting – to be determined with new Administration; usually 6:00 pm
7. Annual meeting and AGM: Tues Oct 8, 2024 @ 6pm; bring donuts new Admin!
8. Adjournment: at 6:57 pm

Actions in follow up to tonight's meeting:

Mary Kodas will share meeting minutes with the group.

## SCC Meeting

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# FINAL UPDATE FROM STRATEGIC PLAN 2023-2024

- Strategic Plan has Leadership Focus key areas that we are working on as Learning Leaders / staff. It is ever changing and a work in progress throughout the year.
- This year has been especially challenging due to SANCTIONS.
- Some key areas at Thom Collegiate include:

### Reconciliation Committee

- The committee organized a “Tea Talk w/ Elder Frank and Elder Diane Lewis”
- On our PD Turnaround Day - Wed Jan 31<sup>st</sup> we had the following:
  - Reconciliation PD**
    - Smudge (optional). Will have been taught protocols ahead of time.
    - Drum song by the Thom Thunderbears
    - Greetings and prayer from Elder Frank and Elder Lewis
    - Guest speakers and community stakeholders
      - Keenan Cummings – Program Coordinator at the University of Regina ta-tawâw Student Centre. Keenan, who is from Fishing Lake First Nation, will talk about post-secondary and reconciliation
    - Bannock Break
      - Kerry Benjoe – journalist with *Eagle Feather News*. Kerry is from Muscowpetung Saulteaux Nation and will talk about her experiences as a fourth-generation residential school survivor
    - Conclusion by Elders.
- On our PD Day – Fri May 10<sup>th</sup> we had the following:
  - Staff Smudge – went over really well; vast majority of staff participation
  - Land Acknowledgement – personal land acknowledgment by Ms. Lorell MacDonald
- Display by Indigenous Studies 30 students by Mr. Jeff Millar on Women Chief Leaders in Saskatchewan – display in main hallway
- ACT Group – Project Of Heart / Red Dress Awareness on May 7<sup>th</sup>
- Moose Hide Campaign – Thurs May 16<sup>th</sup>
- Drum Circle by Thom Thunderbears attend George Lee School for a cultural afternoon – Wed May 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Tipi has been purchased – plans to raise the tipi in the fall

## Wellness Group

- The Wellness Group has been focusing on lots of activities rather than just one big day like a Wellness Fair. The theory is that students tell us that their mental health needs work more than just one day a year. These activities are for STUDENTS AND STAFF!
  - **December –**
    - Random Acts of Kindness (STAFF)
    - Saint John Ambulance Pet Therapy (STUDENTS)
    - MADD Presentation (STUDENTS)
  - **January**
    - Academic Stress PowerPoint (STUDENTS)
    - Bannock Break (STAFF)
  - **February**
    - Healthy and Unhealthy Relationship Posters (STUDENTS)
  - **March / April**
    - Trojan Pride (STUDENTS)
    - Sanctions
  - **May**
    - Schizophrenia Society – booked for May 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> (STUDENTS)
  - **June**
    - Diversity Makes US Stronger – TnT Activities and a Focus on Cultures Represented at our school (STUDENTS)
    - Saint John Ambulance Pet Therapy (STUDENTS)
    - “Tools” for students for the Summer Months (STUDENTS)
  - **Future Ideas??**
    - Healthy Ways to Manage Stress
    - Feel good Alumni Celebration stories / Career Planning
    - Guest Speaker for the whole school in Sept to “set the tone” such as Keenan Cummings (U of R) or Tyler Smith (Humboldt Broncos)

**Triple 8 Data** – waiting for RPS data in June.

## OURSCHOOL 2024 HIGHLIGHTS / THEMES:

- Paint the school; more colour needed
- Healthier options in the canteen (including halal)
- Don't feel safe in the bathrooms / vaping
- Feel comfortable asking teachers for help
- Enjoy the extra-curricular sports & activities
- Change the Tennis Court (not used) to a Basketball Court (hopefully used more)

