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CAPE SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Date: Tuesday, June 10, 2025 Time: 6:30 pm Place: Zoom Meeting

SCHOOL COUNCIL EXECUTIVE

Chair: Chad Peacock
Vice Chair: Caitlin Hok
Secretary: Claire Peacock
Fundraising Representative: Vacant
Board Representative: Lea Drysdale
School Representative: Jeney Gordon

Treasurer: Hany Darwish Teacher Representative: Donna Franz/Katelyn Unreiner

Hot Lunch Representative: Shelly Swetnam

CALL TO ORDER: a Quorum is present; the Chair, Chad Peacock, called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Present: Claire Peacock, Shelly Swetnam, Lea Drysdale, Jeney Gordon, Teresa Di Ninno, Brian Celli, Kwame Bailey.

Absent with Regrets: Hany Darwish, Caitlin Hok

Administrative Assistant: Tannis Smeed

WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS & PARENT PRAISE:

- Jeney Gordon thanked Shelly Swetnam and all of the Hot Lunch volunteers for organizing and serving the hot lunches. Parents have commented on how happy they are with the choices and the fact that they don't have to make lunch on those days.
- Tannis Smeed thanked Shelly and Pete Swetnam for ordering, picking up and delivering to the school, as well as sorting the orders and delivering to classrooms for the Big Marble Veggie Fundraiser.
 Special thanks must also be given to Big Marble Farms for sponsoring the entire fundraiser!
- Claire Peacock thanked Lea Drysdale and Tannis Smeed for organizing the Staff/School Council Appreciation Lunch.

1. ADDITIONS to the AGENDA:

None

2. APPROVAL of AGENDA for the June 10, 2025 School Council Meeting

2.1 Motion 25-06-10-01: to approve the June 10, 2025 School Council Meeting Agenda, with additions.

Moved: Lea Drysdale, Seconded: Shelly Swetnam / Carried

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES of the May 6, 2025 School Council Meeting

3.1 Motion 25-06-10-02: to approve the May 6, 2025 School Council Meeting Minutes, as presented.

Moved: Claire Peacock, Seconded: Lea Drysdale / Carried

CONSENT AGENDA:

4. REPORTS (Last Month):

- 4.1 CHAIR REPORT No Report
- 4.2 SECRETARY'S REPORT No Report
- **4.3 TREASURER'S REPORT -** Report presented.
- 4.4 HOT LUNCH REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT No Report
- **4.5 FUNDRAISING REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT -** No Representative Report presented.
- **4.6 BOARD REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT -** Lea Drysdale reported that she was thankful of the parents and School Council members who attended the Board AGM on June 4, 2025.
- 4.7 SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVE'S (PRINCIPAL'S) REPORT Jeney Gordon reported that exams will start this week for Grades 4-9. Their awards will take place in two weeks. Mrs. Di Ninno's Retirement Tea will be held on June 20th and encouraged people to send well wishes to mrsdininnoretirement@capeisgreat.org. She also highlighted that the Junior High Projects class held "Spirit Days" throughout the year that collected money for various charities.
- 4.8 TEACHER REPRESENATIVE'S REPORT No Report
- **4.9 DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** Brian Celli confirmed that CAPE will maintain current staffing levels. An area of focus next year will be student writing and that new curricula are coming for the 2025/2026 year. He would also like to see more parent involvement in the school and the School Council.

4.10 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - Teresa Di Ninno reported that the school's satisfaction survey results for 2024-2025 are now on the CAPE website on the parent and student pages. She was pleased that the numbers of returns are up in general but noted that there is erosion in some areas. The return rate for students was 54.1% and for parents 21%. She is looking forward to Mr. Celli stepping into the Superintendent position so that she may focus on the Sciences Program for the 2025/2026 school year.

5. CORRESPONDENCE:

Motion 25-06-10-03: to accept the consent agenda, as presented.

Moved: Jeney Gordon, Seconded: Lea Drysdale / Carried

- 6. BUSINESS ARISING from the MINUTES of May 6, 2025 School Council Meeting
 - **6.1 ITEMS THAT SUPPORT STUDENTS**
 - **6.2 ITEMS THAT SUPPORT PARENTS**
 - 6.3 ITEMS THAT SUPPORT THE SCHOOL
 - **6.3.1 BASKETBALL NETS -** Blue Imp was contacted about the loose and broken nets. They will be onsite to repair. They will complete the repairs this time but wanted us to be aware that community damage is not covered under warranty.
 - 6.3.2 MEET THE STAFF EVENT (SEPTEMBER 10, 2025) It was suggested that School Council set up a table at the Meet the Staff Event to promote School Council and have swag to hand out (i.e., cinch bags, snacks, stress balls, etc.), as well as an information sheet about what School Council does. It was also suggested that it would be a nice gesture to give a gift card to the students bringing their mini stock car and mini monster truck for this event as School Council has sponsored the Llama in previous years.

Motion 25-06-10-04: to approve the purchase of 250 cinch bags, stress balls and snacks to fill the swag bags at a cost of no more than \$1000.00. This will come from the general account.

Moved: Lea Drysdale, Seconded: Shelly Swetnam / Carried

Motion 25-06-10-05: to approve the purchase of 2 x \$50.00 Amazon gift cards to present to the students to bring their mini stock car and mini monster truck for this event. This will come from the general account.

Moved: Lea Drysdale, Seconded: Claire Peacock / Carried

7. NEW ITEMS/DISCUSSION/INFORMATION:

7.1 ITEMS THAT SUPPORT STUDENTS

Topic	Discussion	Notes & Items for Action
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7.2 ITEMS THAT SUPPORT PARENTS

Topic	Discussion	Notes & Items for Action
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7.3 ITEMS THAT SUPPORT THE SCHOOL

Topic	Discussion	Notes & Items for Action
Co-Operating Society (Gaming)	 Casino draw dates are confirmed for Tuesday October 28th, Wednesday, October 29th, 2025. 	 Tannis Smeed to contact and book the Casino Advisor that we have used in the past, as well as complete any necessary required paperwork. The AGLC has informed us that Scholarships and Honorariums are not currently approved to be paid from Gaming Funds. Tannis Smeed is completing and submitting the necessary forms to hopefully get approval for this.
Scoreboard Update	The scoreboard has not been installed.	 Mr. Hohn will be contacted to see what the status is. Tannis Smeed issued a work order to have these installed on February 24, 2025. Locations are being reviewed for installation. Waiting on confirmation of wiring. This will be installed during the summer

8. DATE of the NEXT SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING: to be determined.

9. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:35pm.

Motion: Jeney Gordon / Carried