



MEETING - Bayside School Council Meeting January 13, 2026.

- 1) Council Introductions and White Space to discuss any additional agenda items.**
- 2) Call meeting to Order: 6:03pm**
- 3) Acknowledgement of the Land**
 - In the spirit of reconciliation and within the importance of taking action and expressing gratitude, I would like to acknowledge that we live, work and play on the traditional territories of the Blackfoot Confederacy (Siksika, Kainai, Piikani), the Tsuut'ina, the Nakoda Nations, the Metis Nation (region 3) and all the people who make their homes in the Treaty 7 region of Southern Alberta.
- 4) Approve Agenda:** Mirita Approve, Seconded Chelsea
- 5) Review Minutes of Last Meeting -** Mirita Approve, Seconded Katlyn
- 6) Principals update - 20 min**
 - **TOPICS:**
 - Kindergarten (and new registration for 2026-2027)
 - Mahogany Call-Backs
 - Author Visit: Welcome Carolyn Fisher - \$1400, 17&18 February 2026
 - Chairs update - \$5500 – additional 25 chairs
 - Grade 5 Questions
 - Bayside Learning update
 - **Kindergarten at Bayside**
 - Half day Program
 - Attend Mon-Thu (AM or PM) and alternate Friday Mornings
 - Exact hours will be available in late Spring.
 - Anticipate the same hours as this school year:
 - Mornings 8:00 – 10:50 AM
 - Afternoons 11:40 – 3:30 PM
 - **Kindergarten Transportation**
 - One-way transportation is available for families who live in Mahogany
 - AM Kinders can access transportation to school in the mornings, and PM Kinders has bus transportation home from school at the end of the day. Mid-day transportation is the responsibility of the parents
 - Walk zones have changed for the 2026-2027 school year so it will be important for parents to check if they are in the walk zone or not.
 - **Registration**
 - Registration for school year 2026-2027 school year opened in School Engage on 12 January 2026.

- Students within our Designated Attendance Area will be accepted (Proof of residence required)
- Draw for AM and PM anticipated. Depending on availability on enrolment.
- Topp Kids Kinder-Care – decision on space only in spring when enrolment is clearer.
- **Registration/Enrolment Timeline**
 - Registration is ongoing
 - Families registering before 11 Feb will be included in draw
 - Families registering after 11 Feb will be enrolled as spaces are available
 - AM/PM draw will take place once Mahogany has completed their lottery process (usually in April)
 - Family will be notified of their student placement (in AM/PM) in the Spring (Approx at end of April)
 - Students not placed in their preferred time will be placed on call-back list and contacted as spaces open.
 - Plan will be adjusted to best meet demand, as enrollment shifts and changes
- **Questions??**
- **Mahogany mid-year call-backs**
 - We work in partnership with Mahogany School and Area 5 Director to balance enrolment at both schools.
 - Mahogany will be conducting these call-backs most likely after report cards go out (Feb 24)
 - Capped schools are expected to keep their schools full. (and families in schools closest to their homes) Thus call-back throughout the year, or at certain points in the year – after first semester report cards.
 - Parents are requested to let Mahogany school know ASAP of their decision after call-back, so as not to prolong call-back process.
 - If families decline spot, they get taken off the call-back list, and spot is offered to the next family.
 - Mahogany will do another call-back near end of school year for next year.
- **Author visit;** Welcome Carolyn Fischer Feb 17th and 18th
 - Will be meeting with all grades and have 30 min presentation
 - 40-minute presentation for grades 2 – 5
 - CELLS and owner's handbook, Summer Feet
 - Costs \$700 per day (\$1400 plus GST) for 2 full days
- **Teachers Convention** 12,13th February 2026
- **Idea for the Read-a-Thon** ... Celebrity Readers, eg Firefighters, Doctors, Hockey Coach Between 23Feb – 13 March (Suggestions please)
- **Swimming update**
 - Grade 1 – 3 June 1-4 and June 8-11
 - Carol in process of bus booking. Cost to be announced later
 - Fees will be posted in the MyCBE in next couple of weeks. Fees to be collected by March to secure our spot.
 - Exploring Idea of PE Residency for grade 4 & 5 during Swimming time
- **Chairs Update**
 - Set of larger chairs for grade 4 and 5
 - 30 chairs ordered through CBE
 - Would like 25 additional chairs Cost \$5500 (Fundraising committee)

- **Grade 5 Questions**
 - Is the Snack Shack a Go?
 - Possible dates Feb 6, 20; March 6,13; April 17; May 1, 22; June 5
- **Grade 5 Farewell Committee:**
 - June 18
 - How can we help getting volunteers for the committee
- **Bayside Learning Report**
 - Kindergarten Hands on learning
 - Grade 1 – Shh.. Hibernators are sleeping, how do animals adapt to seasonal changes?
 - Grade 2 – Hands on Coding, how water moves Representing 3 diverse regions in Canada using plasticene to show landforms, bodies of water, and natural resources in each region. Ozobots travelled across the labelled map of Canada and performed a special task in each region.
 - Grade 3 – Coding and robotics, looking at the water cycles, Science and engineering in grade 3. Hands on learning through science and technology. Mapped out water cycle, designed poster, got the OZOBOTS.
 - Grade 4 Students have been using the Design Thinking Process to explore many scientific topics.
 - Grade 5 – Engaging in Social Studies and science. Creating artifacts that demonstrate understanding of Ancient Egypt. And make connection between historical information and creative expression.
- **Coming up**
 - Jan 13 – E-sports Club Starts
 - Jan 15: Orff Clubb (Lunchtimes)
 - Jan 19: Basketball Club starts Lunchtimes
 - Jan 20: Techsperts (After school)
 - Jan 22: Healthy Hunger. Mucho Burrito
 - Jan 23: Natalie coming to staff meeting to talk about Reda thon
 - Jan 27 Family Literacy – dress as your favourite book character
 - Jan 30 PD Day (No School for students)

7) Chair Message – 10 min

Upcoming Planning for 2026 and revisions to schedule

- A) Events – Dance (will be rescheduled to new year – what date would be best?), Spring – Gym availability, DJ Availability
- B) Fundraisers – Apples, Read-A-Thon week after teacher’s convention (moved to Feb23 /March 13, Author Carolyn Fischer), Casino (last year), Book Fair Coming up in March, spring Dance April/May, Snack Shack? (Shannon to put out request to parents first)
- C) School Support – New plantings installed in May/June – watering to be set up for summer months. Need summer plan
- D) Parent Seminars – CPS in February, waiting on confirmation of dates Tech seminars. Waiting for confirmation dates.
- E) ASCA grant - \$500, paint night? Joint speaker with another school? Members to send ideas.
- F) Float idea on social media – Fulfill roles in May at AGM. If interested, reach out to Council members to shadow roles.

8) Teacher Appreciation – 1 min

Coming Meal for March Parent Teacher conferences.
March Parent Teacher Meals – Big T's
April 22 Carol and Melinda Small card
1st Tues. 4May – Sweet treat – Sweet Carolines - \$2.55 plus gst. Darby to send exact numbers of support staff. And dietary restrictions
Year end, gift card bouquet – parents to donate between \$10-\$15 each. Collect throughout the year. (Parents be clear for what it is for.)

9) Playground Phase 2– 2 min

Sydney Jones- Dunlop – update.
Sydney has taken over the role of Playground Coordinator for the 2025-2026 school year. Reached out to 3 different Vendors., Forming committee?

10) Healthy Hunger – 5 min This year we have set up several Snack Days for the Kindergarten Students and Lunches once a month. The following dates have been confirmed

- a. September 25th, 2025 - Subway
- b. November 6th, 2025 Taco Time
- c. October 16th, 2025 Dominos – RESCHEDULED TO NOV. 20th
- d. December 11th, 2025 A&W
- e. December 18th, 2025 Kernels Snack
- f. January 22nd, 2026 Mucho Burrito
- g. February 19th, 2026 Via Cibo
- h. March 12th, 2026 Opa
- i. April 2nd, 2025 Booster Juice
- j. April 23rd, 2025 Subway
- k. May 21st, 2026 A& W
- l. June 18th, 2026 Panago

11) Attendance

Natalia Peso
Mirita Lovegrove
Veronica Venter
Chelsea Sterling
Katlynn Ludwar
Sydney Jones-Dunlop
Vanessa PrestaykoTannas
Amanda Jafolla
Darby McAsey
Jeff Meyer

12) Future Agenda Items – 1 min

Nothing to add

13) Next Council Meeting will be on February 10, 2026

14) Adjourn Meeting 7:14pm