

Elev8 Homelinks Parent Advisory Council

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Creston Learning Centre (617 11th Street, Creston)

Minutes for meeting on February 19, 2025

1. Welcome and call to order: 9:07 am

Attendees in person: Kim W., Colleen B., Sabrina vH., Leslie Z., Samantha S., Diane T.
Attendees online: Ken Wiens, Principal

2. Approval of the agenda

Motioned by: Sabrina
Seconded by: Colleen

3. Adoption of minutes from last meeting:

Motioned by: Sabrina
Seconded by: Leslie

4. Reports

Principal:

Staff have begun planning for graduation. There will be between 8-12 graduates.

Graduation has been scheduled for June 12, 2025 and will consist of a ceremony and dinner for the graduate and up to two guests (more are welcome to attend and cover their own cost). Looking for a photographer.

Sabrina motioned to contribute \$50/graduate to help cover expenses. Seconded by Diane.

Student learning funds need to be allocated soon. Internet reimbursement is available.

This is the only thing that is reimbursed to families directly, rather than purchased through the school. Parents can apply for this reimbursement. A reminder will be sent via email. Grade 10-12 learning funds are only available for items/activities that are directly related to the courses students are taking.

Chair:

Kim was able to connect with the past Chair. Homelinks website has been updated. BC Gaming was also notified of change of Chair.

DPAC:

Next meeting to take place tonight. All parents welcome. Schedule of meetings available on SD8 website.

5. Unfinished Business

Appointment will be made at bank (in April) to have Kim W. added as a signer. Past chair will be removed. Leslie and Colleen to remain.

Upcoming ski trip for older kids in March. Younger students are not allowed to attend as part of the school group. If parents want to bring them on their own, they are welcome to, but they do not qualify for the group rate. Parents encouraged to inquire if their learning funds will cover skiing/snowboarding.

Family dance is still of interest. Samantha to looking into planning for May.

PAC would like to suggest a field trip to Haida Gwaii for September.

6. New Business:

Discussion about what grade 11-12 looks like at Homelinks. There is some parent confusion regarding what options are available in the higher grades and what learning funds can be spent on. Principal was able to direct attention to the Homelinks website and where to find more information. He was also able to answer specific questions.

Entrepreneurial market: Sabrina motioned to approve up to \$350 for Kristina to purchase two sandwich boards. Diane seconded the motion. PAC will not have an information table this year. Kristina sent an email to parents looking for confirmation of participation.

Kokanee contest: Sabrina motioned to approve the purchase of four \$10 gift cards from Creston Card and Stationary. Seconded by Samantha. These are to be awarded to the participants of the contest Kristina orchestrated.

7. Adjourned approximately 10:54 am. **Next meeting March 12, 2025 at 9:00 am at Blackstone Cafe.** Nelson will be on same time.