

Elev8 Homelinks Parent Advisory Council

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Creston Learning Centre (617 11th Street, Creston)

Minutes for Annual General Meeting on October 14, 2026

1. Welcome and call to order: 9:17 am

Attendees in person: Tiesja H., Traci S., Angela M., Leanne B., Melanie R., Kim W.,
Leslie Z., Colleen B., Sabrina V., Laurie J., Jenna M., Stephanie H.,

Attendees on Zoom: Jagan K.

Guests: Ken Wiens, Principal, and Brendan Mitchell, teacher

2. Approval of the agenda

Motioned by: Sabrina

Seconded by: Traci

3. Election of Executive Officers for the current school year, 2026-2027

As per the Constitution and Bylaws, all positions are open for election every school year. Thank you to the parents that served for the 2025-2026 school year and to those that are serving now. The following persons comprise the Elev8 Homelinks PAC for the 2026-2027 school year:

Chair: Kim Wozencroft

Vice-Chair: Traci Stonehouse

Secretary: Colleen Bayly

Treasurer: Tiesja Hushcroft

DPAC Representative: Jenna Miller

Member-at-large: *vacant*

Past-Chair: *vacant*

Kim Wozencroft, Leslie Zarubin, and Colleen Bayly have current signing authority. Tiesja Hushcroft to be added as a signer.

4. Reports

Principal:

Enrollment numbers are same as last year, approximately 161 full-time equivalents.

Grade 6 students began the year with Ms. Aloha’s cohort, then were given the option to move upstairs with the older grades.
Student learning funds are available; please submit requests to teachers first.
Parents are reminded to fill out a volunteer application. This needs to be done yearly.
Criminal record checks are required every two years, as per district policy.
School district has begun a search for a Vice-Principal. No details are available.
Discussion regarding the possibility of an online calendar of events.

Chair:

None

DPAC:

Next meeting and AGM to take place October 22, 2026.

Treasurer:

2025-2026 Financial Report

Fiscal year began with \$3801.63 in Gaming Account

Gaming grant deposit of \$3300 October 2025

Fiscal year end \$1513 in Gaming Account

Expenditures

Back to school breakfast	\$193
Secret Santa activities	\$393
Tivoli Theatre event	\$422
Winter dance	\$947
Sewing Club	\$250
Grade 7-12 Camp	\$1774
Readathon prizes	\$98
Market signs	\$196
End of year BBQ	\$601
Nelson Homelinks events	\$646
Total	\$5520

5. New Business

Canyon Hall Fall Ball

Traci received an invite from Heather H. of the Canyon Hall to participate in the planning of the fourth annual Fall Ball. It will be held November 7, 2026 4:00-9:00 pm. Traci will let parents know when planning meeting will

take place, if anyone would like to join. PAC can forward any advertisements to parents.

Entrepreneurial Market

Kristina Leidums asked PAC to gauge interest in another spring market. PAC is in support and discussion occurred about whether it could be done in conjunction with the Farmer's Market. Sabrina to speak to Kristina further about this.

Kids Biz Craft Fair

Sylvia Gaudio, learning centre coordinator for CHEK-ABC in Cranbrook, issued an invitation for Homelinks students to participate in a Christmas fair at the Cranbrook Railway Museum on November 28th. Her grandson attends Homelinks. Colleen to respond to Sylvia requesting more information.

Geography Contest

Kristina Leidums requested PAC support for the purchase of prizes for a monthly geography contest.

Motion: PAC will offer \$100 for Kristina to use for the purchase of prizes/materials for the geography contest.

Motioned by: Sabrina

Seconded by: Leanne

Colleen to respond to Kristina.

Westcoast Seed Fundraiser

Colleen filled out the application form for the opportunity for another fundraiser to take place in January 2027.

6. Discussion Items

Class sizes

Ms. Aloha had asked for PAC input about whether parents would be receptive to students attending in smaller groups once per week, rather than a larger group twice a week. PAC held a discussion about the pros and cons of it. PAC agreed that they would be in support of the school exploring the option. PAC will submit a letter to the Principal stating such.

Volunteers in the classroom

PAC asked if there could be a sign-up sheet for parents to be able to volunteer in the classroom. With so many students attending on cohort days, parents are eager to offer whatever assistance they may. PAC to submit a letter to the Principal asking if this could be implemented, with the understanding that all parent volunteers must meet the district requirements.

7. Meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm.

Next meeting is Wednesday, November 4th at 9:15.

A Zoom link will be sent out.