



**CSA Meeting January 20th, 2026  
Online TEAMS Meeting @ 5:30pm**

**Attendees:** SMP Admin: Tanis Ziprick, Chris Coppinger, Scott McMullan  
CSA Chair: Amanda Yakel  
Secretary: Teresa Sousa  
Treasurer: Amanda Cowan  
Fundraising Committee: Crystal Samuel  
Parent / Community Members: Ramona Lukaschuk, Jordan Skowronek,  
Raquel Tolentino, Jennifer Vitug

**1) Welcome, Call to Order, Time: 5:33pm**

**2) Old Business**

- Approve old minutes - 1st - Amanda Cowan 2nd- Crystal
- In December Mr Dasch had his last days at SMP. The CSA Admin team approved putting \$50 towards a farewell gift to Mr Dasch. Receipt to be added to next round of financial reporting
- There was a Connection Council meeting through the school division last week, Amanda Y and Crystal attended:
  - Topics that were touched on: transportation, spoke about the curriculum (more info is online), and there is going to be a budget meeting that we can all tune into on January 29th
  - It was mentioned during the meeting that Louis Riel school division had gone to the community to ask them to write to government officials to ask for more funding
  - It sounds like RETSD will be sending us some information (templates and contact lists) for those community members who would like to follow Louis Riel's lead and write letters to their MLAs, etc.
  - This meeting was again, presentation style, not a lot of round table discussions
  - There will be another meeting coming up in April
- Results from teacher survey: Crystal has put all the responses into a word document to make the responses easy to read. She will forward a copy to Tanis and any one else who would like a copy.

### **3) Principal's Report**

#### **1. Staff Professional Development**

- Our Jan 30 coordinated day will focus on professional development for staff. In the morning, our teachers and EAs will be working on a staff book study that we have been engaging in all year – Fostering Resilient Learners by Kristin Souers and Pete Hall. In the afternoon, we are working in level groupings on a variety of topics (The MY learner profile, FI Language Acquisition and EY Learning topics).
- On Feb 2 coordinated day, we will continue this level of learning, including having all EY divisional staff meet in one location. Our afternoon is spent learning about land based education.

#### **2. Kindergarten Registrations**

- Registrations for new Kindergarten students will begin on Monday, March 2, 2026, beginning at 8:00am. Parents must bring a birth or baptismal certificate or a passport for their child as proof of age. For proof of residency, we require two pieces of information from the following list: a driver's license, a Manitoba Health Care, a tenancy agreement, or an offer to purchase document to help us identify that ESMP is the designated school for your child to register. If you or someone you know has a child turning 5 on or before Dec 31, 2026, please share this information with them.

#### **3. Staffing**

- The admin team is beginning initial staffing conversations this month at the Board Office. Staffing will not be finalized until June. We are currently waiting for divisional input on the number of projected students and class configuration for the upcoming school year. As always, we will have a combination of single grade classes and combined classes in both the Enlightenment and French Immersion streams.

#### **4. School Fundraiser after Spring Break**

- Potential fundraisers are being discussed, considering a wellness piece but the actual fundraiser may change

#### **5. Upcoming Dates**

- Family Movie Night for K-5 on Thursday, January 29th
- MY Band Concert on Thursday, February 12th
- Kindergarten 26/27 Information Evening on Thursday, February 19th in the Library @ 6pm. This evening is for the parents.
- Grade 6 26/27 Information Evening on Thursday, February 26th in the Library at 6pm. This evening is open to both parents and students.

Question: should Amanda Y and Crystal be there for K & 6 information nights, similar to how they did last year where they gave a little information about the CSA, who we are and what we do? - Tanis says yes, they can do their slide show presentation

### **4) Lunch Program Report**

- The Lunch Program is looking for more Supervisors. If you are interested in the position, please contact ESMP Admin team.

## 5) Treasurer's Report

	<b>Previous Balance (Nov, 18, 2025)</b>	<b>\$ 4,557.92</b>
	<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Profits</b>
Childcare for Nov 2025 Meeting	- \$ 42.00	
<b>Transfers:</b>		
Printing costs	- \$ 13.61	
Peak of Market to Playground	- \$ 1650.00	
Payment to C. Samuel (Paper & Chocolates)	- \$ 269.75	
<b>Received:</b>		
Chocolate bar sale		\$ 154.90
Gr 6 Band Concert Seat Draw		\$ 50.00
EY Concert Seat/Parking Draw		\$ 366.55
Chocolate bar sale		\$ 151.25
Jolibee Fundraiser		\$ 184.60
Shelmerdine Fundraiser		\$ 203. 55
	<b>Balance at Jan 20, 2026</b>	<b>\$ 3,693.41</b>

## 6) Fundraising Report

Mabel's Labels - On going year round via the SMP e-Memo

Shelmerdine Seasonal Plant sale

- Was moderately successful with \$200 profit. We were hoping for more, so maybe it's not the best fundraiser for our students and families.
- Although if we decided to do it again next year, we should pair it with a food fundraiser (like sausage / pirogies) and have pick up be the same date.

Jollibee "Family Joy Night"

- Pretty successful, could do it again in March

Gr 6 Band Concert & EY Winter Concert

- Well received, brought in roughly \$400

Chocolate Bar Sales

- Sales are on going. We have sold more than half our initial purchase at Student Led and Winter Concert and in the office. We have already covered our costs and have 4 boxes plus to sell at profit.

Upcoming:

MY Band concert in Feb

- Crystal has reached out to Murray, wanting for a response

Kernels Popcorn

- Crystal has reached out to Muarry to see if he wants to join efforts, still deciding on possible dates (Band Camp end of March, something to consider)

Glenlea Fundraiser

- Conflict in delivery dates, May 19th in the AM is what we've been offered.

**7) Greenspace Report**

- Looking at Grants currently - in a holding pattern, city councillor did reach out to a wide bunch of groups in the community, wait till the end of the month and wait to see if there is a followup with Emma Durand-Wood

**8) New Business / Open Discussion**

- Amanda Y asked if we can email Naomi from RET Life to join our next meeting.
  - Concern that because RETLife programs comes with a cost, we will ask Naomi to highlight free programs and make it clear which ones have a fee associated with them.
- When city is plowing the streets, sidewalks adjacent to the school are completely blocked by snow. SMP Admin has said that best way to help is for parents to put in complaints to the City through 311, it helps get the sidewalks cleared faster.

**9) Meeting Adjourned: 6:15pm**

**Next CSA Meeting:**

**February 17th 2026, on TEAMS at 5:30pm**

**Please email Principal Tanis Ziprick @ [tziprick@retsd.mb.ca](mailto:tziprick@retsd.mb.ca) for the link.**