

Marion Carson School – School Council Meeting

Tuesday Nov 18, 2025 6:30pm

Attendance:

Kim H., Jenny H., Laura C., Rachel G., Tracy O., Devon K., Jenn A., Andrew C., Alina K., Dustin T., Huong L., John W.

1. Introduction and Call to Order at 6:31pm (Kim H.)

- a. Land Acknowledgement by Devon K.
- b. **Motion:** Does your School Council approve the presented minutes from the Sep 16, 2025 meeting?
 - i. Moves: Laura C.
 - ii. Second: Jenny H.
- c. **Motion:** Does your School Council adopt the Nov 18, 2025 agenda as presented?
 - i. Moves: Laura C.
 - ii. Second: Rachel G.

2. Executive Update (Kim H.)

- a. Introduction of School Council Executive and meeting overview
 - i. Chair: Kim H.
 - ii. Vice Chair: Laura C.
 - iii. Treasurer: Jenny H.
 - iv. Secretary: Jenn A.
- b. Additions to Agenda
 - i. No additions

3. Principal's Report (Dustin T.)

- a. Staffing Update
 - i. Retirement of lunchroom supervisor Kai-Chen (Nina) H.
- b. School Fall budget (RAM)
 - i. This finalizes our school organization/staffing for the year based on student count (end of September/early October)
 - ii. We projected 495, and our FALL RAM came in based on 501
 - iii. Some students requiring further verification for count as had not attended 70% or more of school since the start of the school year due to various reasons, or missing documentation
 - iv. Impact to budget
 - v. Possibility of shuffle in classroom/classroom supports

1. Looks at this point as though we may be able to maintain current staffing levels with the possibility of adding a 15 hour/week Education Assistant
- c. Summary of upcoming events
- d. School Improvement Results Reporting (Draft)
 - i. Report was shared and explained in detail
 - ii. Most areas showed improvement
- e. School Development Plan (Draft)
 - i. Plan was shared and explained in detail
 - ii. Minor tweaks to plan
- f. Report on Fees (Draft)
 - i. Report was shared and explained in detail
 - ii. Net loss to school (families charged less than expenses incurred)
- g. Brief question and answer period on Principal's Report

4. Teacher's Educational Report (Huong L.)

5. Committee Reports

- a. Fundraising
 - i. Purdy's fundraiser is under way. Order deadline is Nov 30th and pickup set for Dec 12th (1pm - 2:30pm) and evening of Dec 18th at movie night. Alternate pickup arrangements can be made by contacting MCPA. (Jenn A.)
 - ii. Need more people to volunteer for the fun run fundraiser (Laura C.)
- b. Fun Lunch (Kim H.)
 - i. New vendor (Cobb's bakery)
 - ii. Subway and Papa Johns are most popular vendors currently
- c. Casino - N/A
- d. Special Events (Kim H.)
 - i. Movie night on Dec 18th will be "IF" with tickets selling for \$5 on Zeffy or in person at the door. Purdy's orders available for pickup at movie night.
 - ii. Snow Glow dance on Jan 15th with tickets selling for \$7 or \$25 family pass on Zeffy, or \$10 for tickets at the door. Pizza available for purchase at the dance and Variety will run a 50/50 fundraiser for the new accessible playground.
- e. Accessible Creative Playground - N/A
- f. Book Fair (Rachel G.)

- i. Need a new book fair coordinator for next year. Rachel G. is willing to help new person get acquainted and documentation has also been prepared to assist new coordinator.
 - ii. Next year's book fair has already been booked.
 - iii. Jenny H. asked how much work is involved in the role of coordinator and Rachel G. answered it depends, but work is mainly during daytime hours and estimated the time commitment at 12 hours.
 - iv. John W. asked if parents can sign up to volunteer, and Laura C. confirmed a link to the signup is in the Principal's Friday email.
 - v. Dustin T. asked if we are inviting student leaders to volunteer or if volunteers can bring their kids with them. Rachel G. answered we are not inviting student leaders to volunteer, but volunteers are welcome to bring their children with them.
- g. Naturalization and Play Area Project (Devon K.)
 - i. Boulder circle has been fully paid for by additional fundraising and a grant from CheriTree that was awarded.
 - ii. Need to acknowledge donors, but Parks Foundation is flexible on signage.
 - iii. CheriTree grant only required acknowledgement in the form of a quote from a teacher about student impact, which has been completed.
 - iv. A teacher has spearheaded use of the boulder circle and students are enjoying the new space.
- h. Marion's Meadow (Devon K.)
 - i. Several trees were donated and planted by volunteers around the boulder circle and Dustin T. noted a grant of \$1000 was received to help cover costs.
- i. Parent Education (Laura C.)
 - i. Online presentation about financial planning for your children on Nov 20th via Zoom.
 - ii. No limit on how many can sign into Nov 20th presentation.
- j. Apparel (Alina K.)
 - i. In person sales of old stock at Dec 18th movie night.
 - ii. Vendor for new stock is lined up and designs are being updated.

6. **New Business** – N/A

7. **Meeting Adjournment at 7:49pm** (Kim H.)

- a. Moves: Kim H.

b. Second: Laura C.

Marion Carson School - Parent Association Meeting

Tuesday Nov 18, 2025 7:50pm

Attendance:

Kim H., Jenny H., Laura C., Rachel G., Tracy O., Devon K., Jenn A., Andrew C., Alina K., Dustin T., Huong L., John W.

1. Introduction and Call to Order at 7:50pm (Kim H.)

- a. **Motion:** Does your Parent Association approve the presented minutes from the Sep 16, 2025 meeting?
 - i. Moves: Laura C.
 - ii. Second: Jenny H.
- b. **Motion:** Does your Parent Association adopt the Nov 18, 2025 agenda as presented?
 - i. Moves: Jenny H.
 - ii. Second: Kim H.
- c. Additions to Agenda – N/A

2. Executive Update (Kim H.)

- a. Saved a small amount on Mathletics after negotiation. Total cost was \$4887.50.
- b. No update on CFEP grant.

3. Committee Reports

- a. Fundraising
 - i. Davison Orchard apple fundraiser total raised was \$1635 (Jenn A.)
 - ii. Bottle drive total raised was \$86 (Andrew C.)
 - iii. Matador night total raised was \$705 (Kim H.)
- b. Fun Lunch - N/A
- c. Casino - N/A
- d. Special Events – N/A
- e. Accessible Creative Playground - N/A
- f. Book Fair - N/A
- g. Naturalization and Play Area Project (Devon K.)
 - i. Amount of CheriTree grant awarded was \$5000.
- h. Marion's Meadow – N/A
- i. Parent Education Coordinator – N/A
- j. Apparel Coordinator – N/A

4. Treasurer Report (Jenny H.)

- a. Reviewed revenues to date this year.
- b. Reviewed expenses to date this year.
- c. Will know casino amount in Jan/Feb 2026, which is expected to be between \$60-80k.

5. Requests, New Business, Proposals, Additions from 1c

6. Meeting Adjournment at 8:05 pm (Kim H.)

- a. Moves: Kim H.
- b. Second: Laura C.