

West Nissouri Home and School Monthly Meeting
Monday October 6, 2025 6:00PM

Attendance: Ms. Hollander, Ms. Pol, Amanda Elliott, Candace Pink, Krysten Cardiff, Tanya Buck (online), Sarah Doan, Bethany Weedmark, Jessica Pinet, Rachel Ross, Katie Jones, Sarah Taylor-Peel, Lindsay Fleming, Alisha Martens

1. Welcome – Sarah Doan

2. Principal's Update – Ms. Hollander

We now currently have 20 classrooms.

School class organization changes were a lot this year; not typical to be done at this time of the school year. Since one class was dissolved; there will be a spare classroom space. If the board needs a portable, one of the classes in a portable will need to be moved into the school; but at this time we do not know at this time.

Grade 4 classroom still needs a teacher hired; hoping to have it all organized and figured out by Tues Oct 14th.

Great start to athletics; soccer done, cross country regionals were last week and there will be finals coming up. Basketball is starting.

Terry Fox run was successful; met our \$ goal – bucket dump was able to be done.

Progress reports will come out Nov 7th, 2025.

School needs from the staff being assessed; smartboards are slowly being retired; they are not communicating well. 9 classrooms need smartboards are not functioning well; planning to replace them with regular dry erase whiteboards instead of smartboards. They will review the school budget to see how far those funds will go for purchasing whiteboards and then will reach out to H&S to see if we could help out with funds for remaining cost needs of the smartboards.

Chromebooks are also becoming outdated and some need replaced. They will review the school budget to see how far those funds will go for purchasing replacement chromebooks and then will reach out to H&S to see if we could help out with funds for cost of replacing chromebooks.

Meet the Families night was successful; pizza ordering was great again this year.

Hot dog ordering on school cash online is posted.

63 grade 8s this year.

3. Approval of meeting minutes from 8Sept2025

Amanda & Krysten

4. Approval of Agenda for 6Oct2025

Amanda & Candace

5. Treasurer's Report – Krysten Cardiff

Account balance = \$xxx

Less Grade 8 funds in holding = \$xxx

Outstanding deposit for Grade 8 holding \$xx from the Fair.

Outstanding cheque OSFHA \$xxx

Available balance = \$ xxx

6. Secretary Report – Candace Pink
Nothing to report/update.

7. Old Business

a) Spirit Wear update – Sarah Doan

Completed. Delivery expected in 5-6 weeks.

b) Gift Card Fundraiser update – Sarah Doan

Order forms will hopefully go out Tuesday; Sarah is working on finalizing the list of companies.

H&S bank account is not able to accept e-transfers and school/H&S are not supposed to handle cash.

If not able to pay by cheque need to contact Sarah Doan directly to make arrangements.

c) Jerseys – no update at this time; waiting for source for sports teamworks to respond about art/graphics. Hoping to hear soon, it's usually about 6 week turn around.

d) Hot dog day – Oct 20th; available to order on school cash online – order deadline Oct 10th. Amanda Elliott reports she will get the Safe Food Handling certificate.

8. New Business

a) 2025/2026 Budget – Krysten Cardiff

Budget has been completed for this school year. Hoping to have a few successful fundraisers this year to help increase the funds available for upcoming requests for funding for chromebooks, whiteboards and potential playground equipment replacement.

b) Fundraiser Ideas – Tanya Buck

Cinnabon - \$5 per certificate sold. Covers all locations across Ontario.

Candy Grams – out of Port Stanley; 40% return.

Little Ceasars - \$6/box profit

Krispy Kreme donuts – Tanya will look into it

Rachels butter tarts – Tanya will look into it

Next Meeting: Monday November 3, 2025 at 6 pm – offered Virtual and In-Person