

# Walker School Community Council (WSCC)

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Welcome Walker Families,

Walker is off to great start this year and enrollment is up! It was great to see so many out for the Open House on September 22. What a success! The Walker School Community Council is an incorporated organization comprised of parent and community member volunteers. The council meets 8 times per year and the meetings last about an hour. At the meetings, the principal and teacher representatives give updates about what is happening in the school and the council executive reports on their activities. The council organizes one or two fundraisers per year to support programs and services that the teachers and students need to enhance the learning environment at Walker.

Some of the current council members have students that will be moving on from Walker this year and the school will need more parents to come out so staff and students can continue to benefit. Come to one of our fun meetings to get involved or just to listen and get to know some other parents. The council is always looking for new ideas and there are lots of opportunities to join in activities.

## What does WSCC do?

The council helps organize the Welcome Nigh Open House in September and the Year-End BBQ June. The council also plays a community advisory role for the school and allocates funding for school initiatives.



## Upcoming Events

### October 12

Next Council Meeting!

### October 18

Coupon Book Fundraiser  
Sales End!

### November 9

Council Meeting!

## Meetings

Council meetings are held on the **second Wednesday of the month at 6:30 in the library** (except February):

September 14, 2016

October 12, 2016

November 9, 2016

January 11, 2017

February 1, 2017 (a week earlier due to Teacher Appreciation Week)

March 8, 2017

April 12, 2017

May 10, 2017 (Annual General Meeting & Elections)

## Coupon Book Sales

### Why are we fundraising?

The council has voted to go with the coupon book sales fundraiser this fall to raise funds for playground development. The space could use some upgrades. The school and council welcomes your ideas.

### Overview of the September Council meeting...

At the first council meeting of the year, the principal and teacher representative provided an overview of how Walker School will focus on the Leadership for Learning initiative. There was also discussion about the Open House, the fundraising campaign, and software needs to support learning. There was also an update about encouraging families to use the Parental Portal.

The Arts Carts have been allocated \$500 to re-stock with materials for TWO fully stocked Art Carts for Walker School.

The council also allocated \$2,000 for literacy and numeracy programs for the teachers to invest in learning materials targeted towards their own classrooms needs.

Additionally, funding was allocated for some \$10 Chapters Gift cards to be awarded at the monthly Circle of Courage assemblies.

### Roles and Duties of SCCs:

SCC's are established to:

- Facilitate continuing communication and promote mutual understanding between the school and the community.
- Share responsibility for the learning success and the well-being of all pupils.
- Encourage and facilitate parent and community engagement in school planning and improvement processes.
- Provide an ongoing organization that will help listen to and communicate the opinions, concerns and proposals of the electors and parents/guardians.
- Ensure these concerns and proposals are brought to the attention of the Board of Education.
- For more information, you can visit the website:

<http://www.rbe.sk.ca/resources/schoolcommunity-councils>



### What we do!

Fundraise for things like:

- ✓ Technology
- ✓ Art supplies
- ✓ Playground Development
- ✓ Books
- ✓ Classroom equipment
- ✓ Classroom programs

Provide funding for:

- ✓ Teaching resources
- ✓ Jr and Sr Art Cart supplies
- ✓ Library books

Organize events:

- ✓ September SCC Welcome Pizza Night Open House
- ✓ Fun Lunches
- ✓ June BBQ

**If you are interested in helping out with any of these activities, come out to a meeting or get in touch by contacting the school or the council.**