

# Crescent Heights High School School Council

March 16, 2026

Called to order 6:30 pm

**Attendees** Linden A., Kelly D., Karen L., Justin L., Brian D., Cynthia C., Marina S., Joanna G., Allison C., Joel L.

## Meeting Overview and Approvals

- **Agenda & Minutes:** The agenda for the March meeting was approved (**motioned** by Justin T., seconded Brian D.) without additions. The minutes from the January meeting were **motioned** for approval (Brian D.), seconded (Justin T.), and passed by the council.

## Principal's Report

Principal Levit provided updates on several school-wide developments:

- **Student Wellness Action Team (SWAT):** A student-led report highlighted recent activities, including daily announcements for Black History Month in February and Women's History Month in March. The SWAT team, which overlaps with the leadership team, also hosts bi-weekly bake sales and creates content for the school's Instagram. They are supported by the chief superintendent's team downtown.
- **Staffing Updates:** Lee Martinez has returned from leave. Assistant Principal Mr. Laroche, who has been on medical leave since October, recently visited the school; his status will be reassessed in May or June. To maintain stability, Mr. MacNeill is expected to remain in his administrative position until the end of the school year.
- **Instructional Funding Impact:** Teachers expressed significant gratitude for recently funded technology and equipment. For example, the fashion department now has industry-standard equipment for career training. The school plans to produce a thank-you video by year-end to demonstrate how these new resources are being used by students.

## Event Planning: Bikeathon (April 17th)

The Bikeathon has seen massive student engagement, selling out its 30 team spots (approximately 300 participants) within a single day.

- **Fundraising Status:** To date, \$27,000+ has been raised toward a \$40,000 goal for the Children's Hospital Foundation. The Alumni Association is also supporting the event to ensure a broader impact across the school community.

- **Logistics & Volunteering:** The event will feature a pancake breakfast. the council is seeking a local restaurant or community kitchen to help prepare 300 scrambled eggs by 7:00 a.m. on the day of the event.
- **Volunteer Needs:** There is a call for more parent volunteers; while four have signed up, the goal is to have 12 parents assisting. The council also discussed seeking corporate matching grants and prize donations (gift cards) to further support the event.

#### **Alumni Association & Funding Votes**

- **Golf Tournament:** The Alumni Association's major fundraiser is scheduled for June 23rd. The School Council **motioned** (Joanna G. motioned, Cynthia seconded) and approved a budget of up to \$1,440 to cover green fees for up to eight teachers to participate in the tournament. This expenditure is seen as a way to bridge the gap between current staff and the alumni community, with the funds ultimately circulating back to the school.

#### **New Business and Future Proposals**

- **Staff Coffee Stations:** A proposal was introduced to install three coffee/tea stations (kettles and Keurig's) across different wings of the school to improve staff morale. The council discussed concerns regarding costs, durability, and environmental impact (pods vs. traditional brewing).
- **Year-End Staff Appreciation Breakfast:** The date for this annual tradition was confirmed for the morning of June 30th. The council is seeking a lead coordinator to manage the catering and raffle prizes.
- **Welcome Back Barbecue (September):** Planning has begun for a large-scale event for approximately 1,700 students. While the school has some food-specific funds, the council may consider providing additional support or volunteers to ensure the event is inclusive of the new communities joining the school.

Adjournment – 7:40 pm