

# Annie L. Gaetz School Council Meeting Minutes

## February 2022



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**In Attendance** - Larry Hartel, Cathy Peacocke, Josie Jackson, Janelle Spady, Erin Quintilio, Jessica Schurman, Danielle Woods, Chelsey Horvey, Sarah Boettcher

Call meeting to order at 6:11 pm

approve the agenda - Danielle approves

make a motion that we accept the January 2022 minutes. - Jessica makes a motion

### **Cathy Peacocke**

- After last weeks Provincial health changes, the board had a scheduled board meeting the next day.
- Province removed ability for Boards to make different decisions from the provincial changes
- City Wide: Senior Admin and Trustees will meet focusing on success for students in learning, work, and life.
- Will be speaking about Covid recovery

### **Chair Report**

- Big box of cards or no pain fundraiser?
  - Or sending out email asking people to donate to Parent Council
- Jessica asks about the total that we have in the account - seems like a large balance
  - Josie: a certain amount needs to stay in the account for repairs to fridge, etc.
  - Do we need to fundraise?
  - Josie asks Larry about fieldtrips - yes, with restrictions lifting, teachers are planning for field trips - still have about \$2200 from collecting for fieldtrips from parents/guardians - some wanted their money back last year, others said leave it on their account
- Danielle: mentions last meeting when we spoke about a lower amount that has been brought in from hot lunch
  - The teachers have quite a large teacher wish list and we're concerned because the Casino Fund won't cover a lot of those things

- Jessica to email Larry with link to website for what is covered under the Casino Fund - possibly carpet and learning books
  - Larry shares link that Jessica sent - possibly Tumble Books will be covered? Carpet? Josie will talk to Tania and see what we can put through
  - <https://aqlc.ca/forms/use-proceeds-guidelines-education>
- Josie to hold off on Fundraisers for now

## Treasurer Report

For the year 01/09/2021 to 31/08/2022

Cash on Hand	As of : Feb 2022	Daily Chequing	Casino Balance	TOTAL
Bank Account Balance		\$14,518.21	\$14,647.48	\$29,165.69
<u>Income for the year</u>		Sept 2021-Aug 2022	Sept 2020-Aug 2021	
Hot Lunch		\$2,364.62	-\$1,092.00	
Snack Shack		\$0.00	\$0.00	
Breakfast Club		-\$66.98	\$784.66	
Fundraiser		\$0.00	\$0.00	
Admazing		\$2,643.52	\$0.00	
School Supplies		\$431.88	\$0.00	
Fundraiser		\$0.00	\$0.00	
Servus Rewards Program (interest)		\$0.00	\$0.00	
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>\$5,373.04</b>	<b>-\$307.34</b>	
<b>Still need to payout this year/Committed to paying for</b>				
Field Trips/Christmas Concert/Theatre Events		\$0.00	\$0.00	
Agendas		-\$1,328.25	-\$1,617.00	
School Council Donations		-\$1,155.39	-\$3,487.89	
Christmas Baskets/Hampers		-\$479.13	\$0.00	
Teacher Incentives		-\$355.68	-\$2,185.51	
General Supplies PC Room		-\$64.04	\$0.00	
Choir Supplies		\$0.00	\$0.00	
Teacher Luncheon/Appreciation		\$0.00	-\$255.88	
School Council Insurance/Fees		-\$865.00	-\$840.00	
Banking Expenses (incl. chq's/wire transfers)		\$0.00	\$0.00	
<b>Total Disbursements</b>		<b>-\$4,247.49</b>	<b>-\$8,386.28</b>	

In February School council paid \$479.13 for Christmas Hampers  
 Kinder Native Reflection Toys \$251  
 Deposited \$320.25 from Healthy Hunger  
 Our Casino Account paid \$839.66 for Foam Sleds & \$1,020.29 for Gr.1 Construction and Science kits

## Principal Report

- \$500 grant

The Alberta School Council Engagement grant provided each school council with \$500 to improve communication and engagement with parents in their local communities. The funds will be used for engagement activities such as broadening the number of school events that include parents, diversifying communication tools used by councils and activities that seek out the advice of other parents. This grant allows schools to work directly with school councils to focus on education priorities while strengthening the capacity of schools to improve student learning and enhance students' experience

at school.

Here is the information we received from city wide

<https://www.alberta.ca/school-councils.aspx>

Ideas??

- Jessica to send Larry information and guidelines around what this money can be used for
- Larry asks if a group of people would like to get together and discuss what this money could be used for - need to use it before year end (4 months)
- Cathy mentions using it for School Council workshops - workshops listed online
- Danielle asks what the needs of the school are?
- Larry might send out a Google form to parents - will send everyone from the meeting an email with some ideas - maybe sharing the Learning Loss program with parents?
- Danielle - possibly a workshop with tools to navigate anxiety for kiddos
  - Larry agrees - looking at the whole mental health side
- Future Meetings
  - Suggested to continue to offer online viewing of the meetings
  - Will continue with online this month
    - Next month, if everything opens up, future meetings could go to in person - keep an open line to have a computer in the room for those that either can't or don't want to be in person
    - Larry asks if everyone would feel ok with being live - mixed answers - we can think about it
- Protocols
  - Changes coming in March for now No masking required in k-12
  - Parent asked Larry how many kiddos are still wearing masks - between 40-50% - upper grades are wearing less, younger grades who wanted to are still wearing their masks
  - Larry thinking about future events:
  - Events coming up
    - Bike Rodeo
      - In late May / Early June hopefully all back to normal and will need parent volunteers
    - FMNI games day
      - In June hopefully all back to normal and will need parent volunteers - June 22, 2022
    - PT conferences
      - Suggested to continue offering choice in person or online for March - Yes, will be given the option to choose
    - Book Fair
      - Postponed but suggested to have grade group evenings from 3:30-4:30?

- Looks like there will be a few book fairs at other schools when things open up
- Could we arrange to have book fair March 13-19th during Parent Teacher conferences - Danielle to look into
- Larry - Jason passed away this last weekend - 13 kiddos have had their lives changed - Bull Family - family has been in our school for a long time - reaching out and look at ways to support them

## **Committees**

Hot Lunch - Received positive feedback - Larry has also received positive feedback - happy to see parents able to deliver again

- Josie asks if restrictions are lifted, can we go back to hot dog and pizza lunches?
  - Larry is waiting to hear - hopeful that when restrictions lift and cohorting is no longer in affect, we can go back to hot lunch and snack shack
  - Made \$800 from one pizza hot lunch when it was in person
  - Gr 4, 5 go first...Then K, 1, 2, 3 - could make it work
  - Will be lots of questions at Principal's meeting - Larry will get back to everyone
  - Possibly Owen to run it! :)

City Wide -

- Jess: Learning Disruption Grant - Red Deer Public - \$500,000
  - Larry speaks to - Grades 1-3 tested in LA and Math - sent to Central Office and off to Government. Kids selected at each school to receive 12 weeks of intervention in Math or Literacy - Gr 2-3, Lorraine Corbett was trained and has been working with kiddos - 14 kids getting help
    - Lisa Packish working with math side - 7 kids
    - Grade 1 Learning Loss starts March 4 - Mrs Hannah Maag - 16 kids in Literacy
    - Pulled out in groups of 2 or 3 - work with groups all day
    - Parents of kids that qualified had a letter sent out, packages sent home with kids
  - Gather data from parents through 4 questions, Trustees take info and use to direct their efforts going forward
  - Offer Anxiety session - on website

Social - wait to see when restrictions lift

Fundraising - will hold off on Big Box of Cards if we can go back to hot lunch when restrictions lift

Casino -

Snack Shack - n/a

**New Business** -

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm

# Annie L. Gaetz Parent Association



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## **In Attendance** -

\_\_\_7:11 pm\_\_\_called the meeting to order at  
\_\_\_\_\_Janelle\_\_approved the agenda.

**Fundraising** - nothing at this time - will wait for Tania regarding Mundare Meats

**Correspondence** - Jessica forwarded school supply information to Josie, Danielle - Larry to make a note to put on staff meeting agenda

- Add Flare Pens for Gr 2

**New Business** - any new wish lists? Larry has nothing new

- New curriculum will eat up all of the teachers PD days - will have staff list by April 1, 2022
- Teacher changes at all levels in the school - info will be released by Central Office in early March - admin changes over next 3-4 weeks

Meeting adjourned at 7:12 pm