

Bob Edwards School, 4424 Marlborough Dr. NE, Calgary, Alberta

Bob Edwards Parents Fundraising Society

Annual General Meeting

Minutes – Oct. 29, 2024 following the school council meeting
In-person: Library/Learning Commons; Virtual: Microsoft Teams

1. Call to Order by Danielle at 6:33pm.

Quorum achieved with 4 members: Danielle Luft, Lori Beal, Heather Friesen and Nancy McCallum.

2. Approval of Minutes

Sept. 24 2024

Motion: Nancy motioned to approve the minutes. Seconded by Heather. Carried.

3. New Business

Thank you to all of our casino volunteers. There was a discussion about the problem of finding enough volunteers for the casino. Lori had quite a few of her friends and family volunteer as not many people signed up and in the end we still had some vacancies that thankfully our casino advisor was able to find us some volunteers. An organization cannot run a casino short even one volunteer. We did not have enough back ups and that posed a problem when a few people did not show up for their shift. It was suggested that next time we need to do more to recruit volunteers. Some suggestions were: more stand alone advertising, executive members doing a sign up table at meet the teacher evening or parent-teacher conferences. It would also be helpful to bring increased awareness to the school community about what things are funded by the fundraising society. Another idea suggested was having a volunteer voucher for school fees. According to Nancy, we cannot support individual students with casino proceeds. Also logistically this would be difficult or not possible for the administrative staff to apply these vouchers. According to AGLC, volunteers cannot receive any remuneration so we cannot advertise any type of gift for volunteering, such as gift cards. A parent suggested we could contact other school councils in our area to exchange casino volunteers.

Nancy suggested that we consider changing our AGLC use of proceeds to some new and more relevant spending areas. She will look into this.

4. Reports

- a. Treasurer's Report - Prepared by Nancy.

General Account: \$3,941.26

Outstanding liabilities \$0

Casino Account: \$37,975.10

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Total Casino Account: \$29,131.70

Total all accounts: \$33,072.96

New casino funds will come in the new year.

AGLC report is due in Dec. but Nancy has completed this already. Annual return is due now. Need to check our mailbox.

b. Fundraising Report

Healthy Hunger

Heather has set up dates for the whole year. These will be on Fridays and adding Thursdays if no school on Fridays.

5. AGM Elections

President - Suzanne Farshori volunteered. All in favour.

Vice President - Samantha Diamond volunteered. All in favour.

Secretary - Lori Beal volunteered to continue. All in favour.

Treasurer - Nancy McCallum volunteered to continue. All in favour.

Directors at Large (up to 3) - Heather Friesen volunteered to continue. All in favour.

Casino Coordinator - This position is vacant and we will look into filling it closer to the next casino date.

6. Motions

Motion: Lori motioned to remove Danielle Luft and Michelle Cavanagh from signing authority for banking and add signing authority for Suzanne Farshori and Samantha Diamond. Seconded by Nancy. All in favour.

Suzanne and Samantha will make an appointment at the Connect First Credit Union bank on 36 Street NE to change the signing authority.

7. Next Meeting

Nov. 26, 2024

8. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned by Danielle at 6:50pm.