

Alexander Forbes The Academy School Council Meeting Minutes
Annual General Meeting
Tuesday, October 4, 2022

Action items in red.

1. Call to Order – Kristina de Metz called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. Introductions – Present at the meeting were: Andrea Baum (parent), Renee Bruno (parent, Treasurer), Grace Fram (parent), Kim Galla (parent, teacher), Jennifer Kohn (parent), Sarah Patterson (parent), Raechelle Marcotte (teacher rep), Kendra Stewart (teacher rep), Kristina de Metz (principal), Gillian Rutberg (vice principal), Andy Ralston (vice principal), Gillian Rutberg (vice principal)
3. Approval of Agenda
Moved: Renee Bruno
Seconded: Andrea Baum
The Agenda is approved.
4. Approval of Minutes of last meeting – September 20, 2022
Moved: Jennifer Kohn
Seconded: Andrea Baum
The Minutes of September 20, 2022 are approved.
5. Purpose of School Council – Principal, Kristina de Metz
 - a. Kristina shared from the [School Council Resource Guide](#).
6. Past Executive
 - a. Chair: Gail Poston (no longer at AF)
 - b. Vice Chair: Lesley Orchison (no longer at AF)
 - c. Secretary: Lesley Orchison
 - d. Treasurer: Renee Bruno
7. Discussion of Positions
 - a. Chair (Required):
 - b. Vice Chair:
 - c. Secretary:
 - d. Treasurer:

- e. Teacher Reps: Rhonda Schneider, Kendra Stewart, & Raechelle Marcotte
8. Election of School Council Executive
- a. Call for nominations
 - i. Chair: Renee Bruno & Jennifer Kohn (co-chairs)
 - ii. Vice Chair: n/a
 - iii. Secretary: Sarah Patterson
 - iv. Treasurer: Andrea Baum
 - b. Speeches (if necessary) – Speeches were not necessary.
 - c. Voting (if necessary) – Voting was not necessary. The above nominees were acclaimed in each of the positions.
9. School Board Report – No trustee attended this meeting as it was an AGM.
- a. Board Highlights – Kristina shared from the [Board Highlights](#) of September 27, 2022.
10. Treasurer Report
- a. Our current School Council funds, held at the school, total \$14,569.16.
 - b. Last year, School Council provided funds to cover some of Elder Darlene’s time at Alexander Forbes: \$6,694.57
 - c. Our current Fundraising Society funds, held at the school, total \$13,387.80.
 - d. A full statement of the accounts will be provided at the November meeting.
11. Administrator’s Report – Principal, Kristina de Metz
- a. See pages 3-4.
12. Questions/Other Business
- a. Family Dance
 - i. Friday, October 29th was proposed as a date. It was discussed that this might be a bit fast to get a dance organized.
 - ii. DJ/VJ – Franklin Matthias? MuchMusic?
 - iii. Christmas/holiday dance?
 - iv. Pizza or door charge to cover costs?

v. Kristina will set up an email group to get organization started.

13. Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 1st at 6:00 p.m.

14. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

School Council – Administrator’s Report

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Celebrations and Appreciation

- New staff – Welcome to the following staff members who were added over the past couple of weeks:
 - Grade 1/2 teacher – Mrs. Meaghan Storey
 - Kindergarten AM teacher – Miss Kristen Adair
 - KinderPAL EA – Miss Naomi Anderson

Collaborative Work and Staff Focus

- Mission, Vision, Values
 - Our staff started to define our Vision during our Professional Learning Day on September 16th.
 - We will continue to work on developing our Mission, Vision, and Values throughout the year, and will be seeking input from our students and staff.
- New curriculum
 - Teachers implementing and piloting in K-6.
 - All teachers in K-3 are implementing LA and Math (mandatory).
 - All teachers in 4-6 are implementing LA and Math (optional for this year).
 - Some teachers in K-6 are optionally implementing Science.
 - Watch for information to come each month in a school email or newsletter regarding the rollout of the new curriculum.
 - K-6 teachers will be attending PD on the new curriculum and assessment on Friday, October 21st.

Information

- Science in Motion grant and community opportunity
 - Won in a draw
 - Value of just under \$5000
 - Students in K-6 – They will take our students out to collect artifacts. These artifacts will be brought into the school and examined (digital microscopes, etc.).
 - Three days (October 18, 19, 20)
 - Community event: 3:30-5:30 – Date TBD
- Halloween
 - Costumes and Costume Parade on October 31st.
 - Classroom teachers will communicate information about parties, etc.

Important Upcoming Events and Dates

- Monday, October 10th – Thanksgiving Day – No school for students or staff
- Tuesday, October 11th – Picture Day #1
- Wednesday, October 12th – Pictures Day #2
- Friday, October 21st – Professional Learning Day – No school for students or staff

- Monday, October 31st – Halloween