

Alexander Forbes The Academy School Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, April 4, 2023

1. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 6:07 p.m.
2. Introductions – Present at the meeting were: Jenn Kohn (Co-Chair), Renee Bruno (Co-Chair), Sarah Patterson (Secretary), Andrea Baum (Treasurer), Kristina de Metz (Principal), Gillian Rutberg (Vice Principal)
3. Approval of Agenda
Moved: Renee Bruno
Seconded: Andrea Baum
The Agenda of Tuesday, April 4th, 2023 is approved.
4. Approval of Minutes of last meeting – March 7, 2023
Moved: Sarah Patterson
Seconded: Jenn Kohn
The Minutes of Tuesday, March 7th, 2023 is approved.
5. School Board Report – Chris Johnston
 - a. Chris Johnston was absent.
 - b. Renee went to the Blanket Exercise on Thursday, March 30th and shared about her experience.
6. Treasurer Report – Andrea Baum
 - a. \$965.15 is currently in the account at the ATB.
 - b. Amounts in each account held at the school:
 - i. \$9,934.46
 - ii. \$339.05
 - iii. \$369.00
 - iv. \$1000.00 grant (\$500.00 from this year and \$500.00 from last year) - \$533.40 spent this year and \$333.44 spent last year. \$133.26 needs to remain in this account.
 - v. \$802.63 – Flip Entertainment, speaker for the gym
 - vi. \$687.28 – Costco, babysitting fees
 - c. Total to transfer: \$9,119.20-\$133.26=**\$8,985.94**
Motion: We request that the \$8,985.94 in the School Council budget lines at Alexander Forbes be released to the Alexander Forbes School Council bank account at ATB.

Moved: Jenn Kohn
Seconded: Renee Bruno
The motion is approved.

7. Administrator's Report – Kristina de Metz/Gillian Rutberg/Andy Ralston
 - a. See page 4 below.
8. Actions from last meeting
 - a. Social media parent night
 - i. Opportunity to join IV Macklin on Wednesday, May 10th at 6:30 p.m.
 - ii. Our School Council would like to participate in this. See motion from previous meeting.
 - b. School wish list
 - i. Prioritized with item costs.
 1. Standing desks: \$450 each
 2. Alternative seating – Zuma rockers: \$400 each
 3. Electric pencil sharpeners for each class: \$100 each
 - ii. School Council members will discuss this request separately and will get back to us.
 - c. [Munch a Lunch](#)
 - i. Next date is Tuesday, April 25th: Hot Dog lunch.
 1. \$600 in gift cards was received from Co-op.
 - d. ASCA Learning Modules
 - i. Kristina will send out an email tonight to remind parents about the opportunity.
 - ii. Accessible until April 12th.
 - e. ASCA Conference
 - i. April 21st and 22nd, AGM on April 23rd
 - ii. Virtual and in-person options available.
 - iii. Division can help with covering costs.
 - iv. No one from Alexander Forbes is available to attend this year.
9. New Business
 - a. Signing Authority

Motion: Sarah Patterson will be given signing authority for the Alexander Forbes School Council account at ATB.

Moved: Renee Bruno
Seconded: Jenn Kohn
The motion is approved.

10. Questions/Other Business
 - a. Paint Night?
 - i. Possibility for a fundraiser.
 - ii. Thursday, May 17th as a possible date?
11. Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 2nd, 2023
12. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

School Council – Administrator’s Report

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Celebrations and Appreciation

- Term 2 has successfully concluded. Recognition of Honour awards will be given out tomorrow before the break.
- Basketball season and Badminton season just concluded. Thank you to all our coaches!

Collaborative Work and Staff Focus

- Mission, Vision, Values:
 - We spent time prioritizing our concepts around our vision at our last meeting.
- Curriculum:
 - Grade 4-6 teachers participated in a curriculum session at Derek Taylor during our last Professional Learning Day.
 - Grade 4-6 will be implementing the LA and Math curriculum next year.
 - Grade 1-3 will be implementing the Science curriculum next year.
 - Grade 4-6 can optionally implement the Science curriculum next year.
- Positive behaviour supports:
 - 10x2 initiative: Each staff member committed to connect with two students for two minutes a day for ten days.

Information

- 3D Children’s Society Tournament on May 12th

Important Upcoming Events and Dates

- April 6th – PTI Lieu Day: No school for students or staff
- April 7th – Good Friday: No school for students or staff
- April 8th-16th – Spring Break
- April 17th – Classes Resume
- April 19th – City Scrub begins
- April 20th – School Spirit Day: Superhero Day
- April 25th – Munch a Lunch: Hot Dog
- April 26th – City Scrub ends
- April 28th – Professional Learning Day: No school for students
- May 2nd – School Council Meeting at 6:00 p.m.