

## Turner Valley School Council Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Wednesday, October 16, 2024

**Time:** 6:30 PM

**Location:** Turner Valley School Learning Commons

### Attendance

Axinia Doring (President), Claire Rosenau (Vice President), Kelley Nutbrown (Treasurer), Kym Wilkie (Secretary), Kara Martin (Social Chair), Debbie Gordon, Stefanie Schulz, Lisa Bates-Grover, Akiko Hemke, Alanna Creagh, Jack Molyneux, Judy Leydon

### 1. Call to Order

Time: 6:34 PM

### 2. Additions and Adoption of Agenda

a. Additions to Agenda – None

b. Adoption of Agenda

**Motion 20241016-1 to approve the agenda: Motioned by KM, Seconded by DG – Carried**

### 3. Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes

**Motion 20241016-2 to approve the minutes of the previous meeting.**

**(Motioned by CR, Seconded by DG; Carried)**

### 4. School Administration Reports

a. **Turner Valley School (TVS) Administration Report** – Judy Leyden (JL)

- **New School Logo:** A student-designed logo from last year is being reviewed for potential adoption. JL is researching copyright and permissions for its use.
- **Volunteer Acknowledgments:** Thanked the volunteers for their contributions to the AGM, the casino event, the Terry Fox Run, and support for Flag Football and Cross Country.
- **Donation from Intact Insurance:** TVS was nominated by a broker and received a \$1,000 donation, which will go toward the inclusive playground upgrade fund.
- **Trickster Theatre Residency:** A spring theatre residency program, including professional artists, is planned. TVS is seeking \$3,000 in fundraising for this initiative.
- **Classroom Bikes (Sparks Fly Program):** Two classroom bikes have been provided by Sparks Fly, an organization helping students with ADHD and behavioral issues. These bikes allow students to stay physically active without missing class time. Teachers will trial them in the upcoming weeks.
- **Upcoming Events:**
  1. Oct 18: Spirit (PJ) Day
  2. Oct 31: Halloween Parade (1:30 PM)
  3. Nov 1: PD Day
  4. Nov 4-8: Book Fair
  5. Nov 5: Trekking Tuesday
  6. Nov 6/7: Parent-Teacher Conferences
  7. Nov 8: Remembrance Day Ceremony
  8. Nov 11-15: Fall Break (No School)
  9. Nov 20: PTA Meeting

- b. **FSD Trustee Report** – Jack Molyneux (JM)
  - **Staffing Update:** Nine full-time (FT) and three full-time teachers, along with one part-time (PT) teacher, were hired. TVS has also increased its language arts teaching hours, freeing up J. Hibberd for additional music classes.
  - **Funding Review:** A review is underway for school funding models. The current rolling average has been problematic, especially in larger centers. A new model based on student headcount as of the end of September is being considered.
  - **Children’s Wellness Network:** The network offers valuable youth mental health support. TVS is actively engaging with this resource.
  - **FSD Website Updates:** The division's website now includes advocacy letters addressing school capacity grants and funding for classroom complexities. They aim to ensure equity of opportunity for all students.
  - **Students Matter Conference:** Five students from TVS participated in discussions on comprehensive health in schools. 70% of participants were new this year.
  - **October Footnotes:**  
[https://media.foothillsschooldivision.ca/media/Default/medialib/footnotes-2024\\_10.064c9420999.pdf](https://media.foothillsschooldivision.ca/media/Default/medialib/footnotes-2024_10.064c9420999.pdf)
- c. **TVS Administrative Update** – Judy Leyden (JL)
  - **Assessment and Reporting:** The Foothills School Division (FSD) has updated its assessment practices based on feedback. The division is moving from a 4-point rubric to a 5-point rubric, with further details available on the FSD website.

**5. New Business**

None.

**6. Old Business**

a. **Road Safety:** KM contacted the Town of Diamond Valley, who indicated the road near the school is unlikely to close but discussions with bylaw officials are ongoing. Members are encouraged to call Municipal Enforcement at 403.933.0334 with any concerns. TVS will solicit interest from parents to supervise the crossing guard program and coordinate training with the AMA.

**7. Next Meeting**

Date: Wednesday, November 20, 2024

**8. Adjournment**

Time: 7:24 PM

## Turner Valley PTA Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Wednesday, October 16, 2024

**Time:** 7:25 PM (Following the School Council Meeting)

**Location:** Turner Valley School Learning Commons

### **Attendance:**

Axinia Doring (President), Claire Rosenau (Vice President), Kelley Nutbrown (Treasurer), Kym Wilkie (Secretary), Kara Martin (Social Chair), Debbie Gordon, Stefanie Schulz, Lisa Bates-Grover, Akiko Hemke, Alanna Creagh, Judy Leydon

### **1. Call to Order**

Meeting called to order at 7:25 PM.

### **2. Agenda**

a. **Additions to Agenda:** Budget and request for motion for Art Cards by Kids Fundraiser

b. **Adoption of Agenda:**

**Motion 20241016-1 to approve the agenda: Motioned by KM, Seconded by SS; Carried**

### **3. Approval of Previous Minutes**

**Motion 20241016-2 to approve the minutes: Motioned by AC, Seconded by CR – Carried**

### **4. Financial Report**

a. **General Account:** \$11,025.26

b. **Gaming Account:** \$22,405.92

c. **Munch a Lunch Account:** \$6,928.00

d. **Playground Account:** Still pending with the bank.

### **5. Committee Reports**

#### **a. Hot Lunch**

##### **▪ Goals:**

1. Improve quality of lunches
2. Offer healthier options
3. Include options for students with food sensitivities (with no liability for cross-contamination)
4. Increase sales
5. Raise profit margins to 25% or higher (currently at 9%)

▪ **Danielle Bondo** has joined the hot lunch committee

##### **▪ Vendor Update:**

1. October vendors: Pizza Hut, The Chopped Leaf
2. November vendor: Legion, Pizza Hut and The Chopped Leaf

##### **▪ Program Updates:**

1. Ordering for October opened Oct 12–16
2. Ordering for November runs Oct 18–25

#### **b. Fundraising**

##### **▪ Art Cards by Kids:**

1. Kids will draw pictures in class to be printed on Christmas cards.
2. Profit margins: 26-40% on cards; 20% on puzzles, ornaments, etc.
3. KW coordinating; timeline to ensure delivery before Christmas.
4. **Motion 20241016-3 to run Art Cards by Kids fundraiser provided timeline can be agreed upon: Motioned by AC, Seconded by SS; Carried**

**c. Playground**

▪ **Progress:**

1. Initiative started in November 2023.
2. AD has made significant progress, including grant applications and division office approvals.
3. **Goal:** Playground operational by September 2025.
4. **Total space:** 2000 sq. ft.; Budget: \$140,000

▪ **Financial Breakdown:**

1. \$70,000 from government grant
2. \$20,000 from AGLC account
3. \$10,000 from last year's fundraising
4. \$40,000 needed to meet budget

▪ **Next Steps:**

1. Apply for additional grants
2. Reach out to sponsors and local businesses
3. Finalize approval with FSD

**d. Teacher Appreciation**

- Utilizing class reps to organize monthly teacher appreciation events.
- Teachers' wish lists will be available at the November Book Fair.
- **Motion 20241016-4 to give committee \$500 Motioned by SS, Seconded by KM; Carried**

**e. Class Reps**

- Introduction letter provided to streamline communication between parents and reps.
- FSD approval needed for using email contact lists.

**6. New Business**

**a. Budget:**

- Proposed budget for 2024/25: \$22,356.50 (see Schedule A).
- PTA will allocate \$15,000 from casino funds and \$5,000 from general funds annually.
- Extra funds to come from fundraising.
- **Motion 20241016-5 to approve budget with modifications Motioned by CR, Seconded by KM; Carried**

**7. Old Business**

**a. Casino Fundraiser:**

- 20/36 volunteer spots filled.
- Additional outreach to parents; KW to contact Casino Angels if needed.

**b. Fresh Fruit Initiative:**

- \$250 gift card from AG Foods.
- CR to inquire if AG can match and provide weekly fruit deliveries to the school.

**8. Next Meeting**

- a. Date: November 20, 2024

**9. Adjournment**

- a. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.