

## Blackie Parents Advisory & Funding Association Meeting

October 2, 2024

1. Meeting is called to order at 9:03 am at Blackie School by Carmen Sewell.
2. Introductions
3. Additions to Agenda – \$200 to Sue; Chromebook additions
4. Secretary report – Yvonne motions minutes have been circulated, Ashley seconds, motion passed.
5. Treasurer Report (see attached):
  - General Account \$ 6 530.32
  - Casino Account \$ 11 499.69
  - Playground (Savings) Account \$ 10 028.09
  - Parent Council GL \$ 2 851.62
  - See attached for breakdown of current/ expected expenses.
  - June transactions have been paid.
  - Letter saying bank fees to increase.
  - Roughly \$22/ month in interest revenue in the Playground (Savings) account.
  - \$7 975.96 in fundraising efforts from prior school year (not including any fundraising specific to the 7/8's)
6. Old Business:
  - a. CCJO – cheque has been cashed.
  - b. Friends of the Foothills – replied to survey. NO further update.
7. New Business:
  - a. 2024-25 Budget:
    - i. \$18 000 for now. Will revisit after Casino funds come in
    - ii. Natalie to include a running total on treasurer report for the year to keep better track of funds available.
    - iii. Create a busing budget for Amy if needed
    - iv. Should receive the Casino funds around February 2025.
  - b. AGM:
    - i. November 6, 2024 (Wednesday) 9:00 AM
    - ii. Regular funding meeting to follow
    - iii. Carmen to post agenda
  - c. Theatre in Residence:
    - i. Grant not approved
    - ii. If something comes up in the meantime, we can decide
    - iii. Will wait for now and try again next year.
  - d. Casino dates – Friday November 22 & Saturday November 23, 2024
    - i. Licence and advisor have been hired and acquired
    - ii. Carmen to organize shifts and send out a sign-up sheet to Amy. Amy will send out to the school.
    - iii. Carmen to be GM for the first day to deliver paperwork.
    - iv. Likely receive the funds in February 2025.
    - v. Hired Lea Lapka as advisor - \$2 350.95 fee (to come out of general account)

8. Money Requests/ Motions/ Approvals Required:
  1. ¼ Field Trip to Sam Centre:
    - a. Keili approves; Tamara 2nds; approved
  2. CTF Food Supplies:
    - a. Yvonne approves; Keili 2nds; approved
  3. Parachute for Phys Ed (\$245.63):
    - a. Dani approves; Ashley 2nds; approved
  4. Disney Band Trip (Sloan and Hudson):
    - a. Around \$3000/ person
    - b. Possibly use proceeds from concession for a few months
    - c. Funds specific t 7/8 fundraising
  5. Play A Way (Faye):
    - a. \$750
    - b. Tamara approves; Yvonne 2nds; approved
  6. Grade 1-3 Zoo trip
    - a. Beginning of November
    - b. 31 kids
    - c. 1 program + 1 bus needed
    - d. Roughly \$800-\$1000
    - e. Yvonne approves; Ashley 2nds; approved
  7. Teacher \$500 Welcome:
    - a. 6 core classes
    - b. Band + Sue can submit expenses, but will not be gifted the \$500 at this time
    - c. Carmen and Tamara to attend staff meeting (end of October)
    - d. Funding to come out of general account
    - e. Will make a note of telling the staff that they are welcome to combine their budgets
    - f. Tamara approves; Dani 2nds; approved
    - g. Tamara to write up cards for staff members
  8. Teacher Wishlist for Christmas:
    - a. Dani to organize
    - b. Possibly Amazon registry?
    - c. Each teacher to provide us with a wish list
  9. T-Shirts/ Hoodies:
    - a. 16 students in kindergarten
    - b. \$21/ shirt
    - c. Organize shirt swap
    - d. Not something we will fund going forward
    - e. Carmen to talk to Amy
  10. Sue Book Fair Baskets:
    - a. \$200
    - b. Yvonne approves; Keili 2nds; approved

- c. Purchases Sue makes on Facebook marketplace or Kijiji can be paid out of general account
- d. Can asked for used items, receipts that are not issued, advertisements can be used instead

9. Fundraising:

1. Texas Donuts:
  - a. Fall 2024
  - b. Lana to help again this year
  - c. Use physical paper order slips
  - d. Carmen to talk to Kim (likely in November)
  - e. Proceeds will go directly to Grade 7/8
2. Bottle Drive:
  - a. October 2024
  - b. Proceeds will go directly to the Grade 7/8 for Pioneer Ranch Camp
3. Concession:
  - a. Carmen to talk to Kim about when it will be opening
  - b. Proceeds to go directly to the Grade 7/8
4. Christmas Cash Raffle:
  - a. Carmen to organize
  - b. Print tickets/ AGLC Licence
  - c. 400 tickets + same amounts as prizes as last year
  - d. Sell any extra tickets at Christmas concert again
5. Other ideas:
  - a. Blackie Community Breakfast Sponsor (\$800 expense)
    - i. Tamara/ Yvonne to look into
  - b. 2024 Christmas market and bake sale
    - i. Lana to organize
    - ii. Baking from 7/8's
    - iii. To be held the week before Christmas, remaining items to be sold at the Christmas concert
    - iv. Lana has surplus left from last year (wrapping and items)
  - c. Purdy's:
    - i. Tamara to find out if Blackie CanSkate is doing this at Christmas (more lucrative than Easter)
  - d. Bat Boxes
  - e. Drive Inn Movie
  - f. Coco Brooks in the Spring

10. Outside the Classroom Activities and Event Ideas:

1. School Skating:
  - a. Chad Barton
2. Hunters Ed:
  - a. Lisa Kavanaugh

3. Weather in the Classroom (CTV)
  - a. Tamara to look into
  - b. Need to know what classes have a weather unit
4. 3/ 4 Overnight Trip:
  - a. Leave on agenda; nothing currently

11. Playground:

1. Nothing to report

12. Other:

1. Upcoming appreciation opportunities or thank you's
  - a. Meals and treats in staff room this year instead of individual thank you's
2. Updates for Amy: Everything we have done so far this year. Tamara to email minutes. Casino and AGM dates.
3. Audit to be done by next meeting (Nov 6/24)

13. Next Meeting: November 6, 2024, at 9:00 AM. AGM and regular meeting to follow.

14. Meeting adjourned at 10:45 am

Members present: Carmen Sewell, Yvonne Sherman, Tamara Fike, Natalie Britton, Lana Poulsen, Ashley Sutor, Dani Groeneveld, Keili, Faye Holt