

Blackie Parents Advisory & Funding Association Meeting

March 8, 2024

1. Meeting is called to order at 9:08 am at Blackie School by Carmen Sewell.
2. Additions to Agenda – Hot Lunch information; Science Olympics
3. Secretary report – Yvonne motions minutes have been circulated, Ashley seconds, motion passed.
4. Treasurer Report (see attached):
 - General Account \$ 7 470.44
 - Casino Account \$ 19 264.12
 - Playground (Savings) Account \$ 9 848.91
 - See attached for breakdown of current/ expected expenses.
 - Roughly \$9 000 of \$18 000 budget spent as of now.
 - Around \$6 000 has been brought in so far from fundraisers/ donations.
 - Grade 8 Hoodies – no invoice has been provided (has school possibly paid?)
 - No invoice has been provided for Little Women Play (to come out of Casino account)
5. Old Business:
 - a. Casino: will get date in August 2024 for 1st ¼ of 2025.
 - b. School Skating Program: Not a go this year. Ice to come out at the end of March.
 - c. 2023-24 Budget Plan - \$18 000 budget including busing – continue to monitor; currently spent around \$9 000. Continue to update and monitor going forward.
6. New Business:
 - a. Society Annual Return:
 - i. CRA + Provincial returns sent in by end of February
 - ii. AGLC return needs to be done by the end of May (Natalie and Carmen to complete and send in)
 - b. Hot Lunch:
 - i. Potential for program to become a fundraiser going forward (next school year); will keep on the agenda to discuss
 - ii. Donations received from Cargill (meat); maybe use donations for 'Sports Day', or other all school inclusive events
 - iii. Could use account as a 'feeder account' to Blackie Funding and could draw out of hot lunch account as needed
 - iv. Hot lunch program to potentially purchase treats for Sports Day for the entire school
 - v. May need to check into any restrictions Cargill has for what donations can be used for
 - c. Money Requests/ Wish List:
 1. Band Uniforms: \$1544.59 Blackie Bulldogs Regional Band
 - a. Yvonne's motions; Tamara 2nds; motion approved
 2. Grade 7/8 Pioneer Ranch Camp:
 - a. Bottle drive + Texas Donut fundraiser to be done to go towards costs

- b. Parent funding to pay \$1000 deposit- Tamara motions; Yvonne 2nds; motion approved
 - 3. Rocks and Rings:
 - a. \$372.75 (all school event) booked for March 21/24
 - b. Tamara motions; Ashley 2nds; motion approved
 - 4. CJO Concert: \$3000 (grant available for half to full amount)
 - a. Funds are available if planning happens; potentially would need to cover \$1500
 - 5. Astrodome:
 - a. Tamara to send email out to staff to see how many would be interested
 - b. Can confirm costs once interest is known
 - 6. Science Olympics:
 - a. Rough cost of \$140 requested from Scott Sherman
 - b. Yvonne motions; Natalie 2nds; motion approved
 - 7. Grade 8 Farewell:
 - a. \$500 from Lions donation in General account if needed
 - 8. High River Heat Lacross:
 - a. Booked for June 20/24 – any cost to this?
- d. Fundraising:
 - 1. Texas Donuts:
 - a. April delivery – Lana to confirm feasible dates
 - b. Google docs instead of paper forms? Need to ask Amy which would be easier for her
 - c. Community Ad in Blackie Bark/ Facebook for extra orders
 - d. Proceeds will go directly to Grade 7/8 Pioneer Ranch Camp
 - e. Lana to confirm dates with bakery
 - 2. Purdy's:
 - a. Currently underway
 - b. Orders to close March 10/24
 - 3. Blackie Community Breakfast:
 - a. \$800 expense - \$2000 return (roughly)
 - b. Keep in mind for future
 - c. Would need to have a 'direct cause' to be fundraising for (ex: Pioneer Camp, band uniforms, etc)
 - 4. 2024 Christmas Market and Bake Sale:
 - a. Keep on the radar for next school year
- e. Outside the Classroom Activities and Event Ideas:
 - 1. Theatre in Residence Program – on hold for 2023-24
 - 2. Yvonne's list for many more ideas
 - 3. Vulcan swimming – Has been booked by Amy for the last day of school
 - Prior year costs: \$450 bussing + \$420 Pool rental
 - 4. Sports day/ Vulcan Swimming: Treats – Hot lunch to possibly purchase
- f. Playground:

1. Adirondack chairs to be installed in the Spring – Kevin – need to confirm location; Carmen to follow up. If no progress sell chairs in the spring (6 chairs total – 2 blue, 4 grey)

g. Other:

1. Upcoming teacher thank you's – Glenda in the Spring for coaching Basketball (\$50 Gift Card – Tamara to find out where); Scott Sherman for Science Olympics (Yvonne to purchase \$50 gift)
2. Updates for Amy: What we've funded this year; upcoming initiatives and events; Tamara to email minutes for this meeting

7. Next Meeting: April 9, 2024 (Tuesday) at 9:00 AM

8. Meeting adjourned at 10:19 am

Members present:

Carmen Sewell

Yvonne Sherman

Tamara Fike

Natalie Britton

Ashley Sutor

President: Carmen Sewell

Vice-President: Yvonne Sherman

Treasurer: Natalie Britton

Secretary: Tamara Fike