

## Blackie Parents Advisory & Funding Association Meeting

March 23, 2026

1. Meeting is called to order at 9:53 am at Blackie School by Carmen Sewell
2. Additions to Agenda – Hoodies for Bus Drivers
3. Secretary report – Amy motions minutes have been circulated, Tamara seconds, motion passed.
4. Treasurer Report – last statement from February 2026:
  - General Account \$ 9 044.67
  - Casino Account \$ 55 476.67
  - Playground (Savings) Account \$ 10 326.08
  - List of upcoming expenses attached
  - \$738.20 into General account from Coco Brooks fundraiser
  - \$66.75 from Honey fundraiser (less \$50 for honorarium); fundraiser left open for remainder of the school year
  - AGLC return to be completed by the end of May
  - 78 kids total went skiing
  - Bus fees for Christmas carol added to the bottom of treasurer report; final bus cost for WinSport unknown at this time
5. Old Business:
  - a. 2025/26 Budget \$15,000:
    - i. Roughly spent \$13 890.42 of current \$15 000 budget
    - ii. Will proceed with caution; navigate as expenses arise and supplement with other smaller fundraisers where we can going forward
  - b. AGLC Society annual return – email received. To be completed by the end of May
6. New Business:
  - a. Social Media:
    - i. Melissa and Faye to manage
    - ii. Sarah Fox – social media for school division FB; set up and link to Instagram
    - iii. Comments section to be left turned off
    - iv. What’s happening; education hi-lights; fundraising
    - v. Keep pages separate but run parallel. Can combine in the future if we need to
7. Funding Requests/ Motions/ Approvals Required:
  1. Blackie Hoodies for Bus Drivers:
    - a. ~\$35 each; 4 requested
    - b. Tamara approves request; Amy seconds; motion approved up to \$200
    - c. Grade 8 hoodies – in the fall open a school wide order
      - a. Suggest a hoodie swap in the fall – return used ones that are too small and can be handed down
  2. Recycling Program:
    - a. Student Matters initiative
    - b. Can help fund materials if needed
8. Fundraising:
  1. 7/8 Texas Donut Day:

- a. March 25, 2026
  - b. 187 donuts sold; \$300 profit
- 2. Burger Patties:
  - a. 42 packages of 8 patties for sale; \$20/ package
  - b. Orders due by April 20<sup>th</sup>; delivered April 23<sup>rd</sup>
- 3. Blackie Breakfast:
  - a. Sponsored by Blackie Liosn Club
  - b. April 4<sup>th</sup>
- 4. School Dance:
  - a. Entry by donation
  - b. April 16<sup>th</sup>
  - c. ~\$200 approved for decorations; Tamara will check remaining supplies from last year
- 9. Other Fundraising Ideas:
  - a. Hutterite Chickens:
    - a. Need logistics – look into for the future
    - b. Amy/ Glenda to organize/ research
- 10. Outside the Classroom Activities and Event Ideas:
  - 1. Police Dogs:
    - a. Confirmed for May 14<sup>th</sup>
  - 2. Beekeeper Presentation:
    - a. Farm Joy Honey – March 27<sup>th</sup>
  - 3. Better Batter Boys:
    - a. Faye requested June 18, however this falls over Pioneer Ranch camp; waiting on dates
    - b. Lions to potentially donate sausage
  - 4. VR in School:
    - a. Next year project planning by parent council
- 11. Other:
  - 1. Updates for Amy: Upcoming events and fundraisers
    - a. Continuing Farm Joy Honey fundraiser for remainder of school year
  - 2. Increase the amount we can ask families for field trips for the 2026-27 school year (\$100)
  - 3. Virtual meeting link available
  - 4. Bike safety course from RCMP – Faye to look in to
- 12. Next Meeting: April 27, 2026, at 10:00 am; Parent Council to precede at 9:00 am
- 13. Meeting adjourned at 10:15 am

Members present: Carmen Sewell, Tamara Fike, Natalie Britton, Amy Jamison, Faye Holt, Melissa McWilliam, Sarah Cottle, Keiligh Derowin