

FOWSS - Friends of Westmount Society

September 24/24

24 SEPTEMBER 2024 / 7:00 PM / Westmount school library

ATTENDEES

Sherry, Brandy W, Robin, Amanda, Kristi, Ann D, Jordan Shane, Cali Peace, Kirsty Judd, Tammy.

AGENDA

Agenda additions -

Treasurer resigned - yesterday - Seeking a new treasurer.

Someone has to take over so we can sign checks. Kristi has signing authority.

Motion to approve agenda first Amanda - Cali second

Meeting Minutes

Minutes - Profit and loss (PNL) change

Names correct - Robin, Kirsty, Cali Peace spelt wrong.

Vote for treasurer.

Motion to accept - with corrections - Motion amanda second kristi.

F - What is FOWSS

Robin - FOWSS was established to provide fundraising for the playground. Set up a casino. Etc.

42,000 in casino funds

2500 - advisors paid through our pooled funds. AGLC pays separately. They claim they sent a letter. Orgs can pay the casino advisors. Not mandatory - Paid before. March 15th paid Sunday before everything shut down. Cashed checks not refunded.

Approx - \$40,000 in general account. June

Wood Chips - 3x - 11,000 FOWSS and school split, 4 or 5 grand in the last few years.

TV's, Xylophones, Projector, New screen, \$4000 for electrical, Chromebooks, IPADs 20,000, Stem robotic kits using all grades. Grade 6 field trip - 5000 general funds going forward. School council - general account used to pay for busing - now schools money

Robin is working on a breakdown of where the money went to present to school families. Pie chart in the future.

Amanda - Casino Update

Casino in March - Very successful - 20 volunteers

\$55377.67 total casino amount - more than 2020.

Robin - Rural organization - others receiving less money

AGLC is looking at changing the distribution to province wide - funds will be distributed more evenly. Looking for more equitable distribution

Next casino - approved for July, August, September 2027. We are going to try and get a different quarter. We might get a later quarter. Aim for Oct-december

Need an executive letter to be sent.

Sherry - Principals Update

Tech priority - replace toshiba chromebooks - silver. Set of 30 - \$12,000

IT won't service them. Want chrome books under warranty - Use them till they die or find someone internally - Peter does collection of old - apply for a grant Sherry last grant was not approved.

New IPADS - \$8500 - Dated devices - not compatible with the apps. New IOS system. 20 new ones. K-4 could have 5 in each class.

Look at apple discounts - grants etc.

Tech tubs to store IPADS - from scholar's choice - \$1600 may need to purchase tubs. 3 already at the school. K-4 all classes currently have 3 , need 6 more.

IMC - ending - shared resource area for the division - all resources spread out through the division. Bee bots, cubetto, cue robots for coding. Communal place to store items. Sends items by courier to the schools. Furs hides etc, text books .

Satellite phone - New batteries have been purchased - Need new one - just the hardware -

Learning commons -

Flexible couches - x2 \$3083.80 each total 6,167.60 will be used over in our meeting area.

Book shelves - Wood

Robin - Final Thoughts

Meeting week before the council meeting - October 29th - Ours will be Tuesday the 22nd - Budget meeting. 5:30

Meeting adjourned - motion - 8:09 - Amanda, Kristi second