

Morinville Public School Parent Fundraising Association Minutes

Morinville Public School **January 6, 2025**

10020 101 Ave, Morinville, Alberta T8R 1L5

Morinville Public School Council acknowledges that we are on Treaty 6 territory, a traditional meeting ground, gathering place, and travelling route to the Cree, Saulteaux, Blackfoot, Metis, Dene and Nakota Sioux. We acknowledge all of the many First Nations, Metis, and Inuit whose footsteps have marked these lands for centuries.

Attendees: Kendra Thompson, Courtney Derouin, Aimee Blanchette, Moriah Ralph, Megan Knahs, Letisha McMillan Camp

1. Meeting called to order: Aimee Blanchette calls to order 6:27pm

2. Adoption of Agenda as presented:

MOTION TO APPROVE BY: Letisha McMillan Camp *Carried unanimously*

3. Approval of Minutes as amended (4 x \$20 purdys gift cards):

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4. Principal Report

- Communications – make subject really bold – **why don't we have a park??**
- Make it point form, just the basics, eye catching
- Will help us with the communication if need be
- Separate powerschool announcements
- Let people know how much a park costs and what we are doing behind the scenes

5. Chair Report

- Rafflebox
 - Successful! Gross revenue was 2890\$, winner was Mandy Foy prize was \$1445, Stripe fees 104.80\$, rafflebox fees \$202.30
 - Total profit was \$1137.89
 - Mandy donated \$1445 back
- Grant writer
 - Business case is completed
 - Applied for the Co-op Grants (\$10, 000)
 - Working on Richardson Pioneer – contacted with the local branch (recommended \$20-30, 000)
 - Grant from Town of Morinville for \$5000 is next in que

- More from new years list to add to que
- Have not received invoice from Grant Writer and haven't paid anything to them yet, however Kelly from Playground company Playquest has offered to pay our grant writing fees for the opportunity to work with us – Kim and Kelly work closely together

6. Hot Lunch Coordinator Report

- No cheques have arrived in the mail
- Christina is still following up – confirmed the school address
- Canada post strike may be affecting things
- Hot lunch coming up on the 17th

7. Treasurer Report

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Action Items and person(s) responsible:

- Need to update accounts receivable (purdys, healthy hunger) and allocated funds (hot dog lunch and pizza party)

8. Old Business

- Bottle Drive
 - Rescheduled for a later date as there were multiple community groups doing a bottle drive on Jan 4
 - Can we set up a running tab with the local bottle depot – people can donate right at the depot
 - Kim DeChamplain is connected with the operator at the Bottle Depot
 - Aimee to look into running tab with the bottle depot and if possible or not we can reassess the need for the drive next meeting.
- Casino Night
 - We are on the wait list with the AGLC

9. New Business

- Babysitter fees – when meetings increased in length we had increased rate to \$30, Emily as back up
- Motion to increase our babysitter fees from \$20 to \$30 per meeting with room to increase rates as needed specifically for special events by Letisha McMillan Camp seconded by Megan Knahs
 - If no kids come, we still pay the babysitter

- Parent Engagement Nights: was the regular kids showing up, there were no extra kids/families who attended – we still need a babysitter for parents coming to the meeting who cannot attend the Parent Engagement Night
 - Idea to potentially do them on high interest nights like the AGM
 - Budget wise we can't run them regularly
 - Could potentially go to a community group to run (like Families First Society)
 - Partner with our babysitter
 - In conjunction with meeting? Brings parents in but doesn't necessarily connect with the meeting
- On the horizon
 - Stawnichy's fundraiser – check with Sheena if she would be willing to head it
 - Call out for volunteer to be the Event Coordinator for Stawnichy's
 - Online fundraiser – no need to deal with cash or cheques
 - 21 days before Good Friday if we want to time it with Easter
 - Could run it from mid feb to mid march (close the last week of March to time with Easter)
 - 50/50
 - We will not need to pay the setup fee for rafflebox again
 - 7% fee is charged every raffle
 - Stripe fee is charged every raffle
 - Approximately 10% total is taken every time we use Rafflebox
 - Ticket structure – 1 for \$10, 2 for \$20, etc
 - a Would people like to have options for a different structure
 - i 1 for \$5, 3 for \$10, 10 for \$20, 50 for \$50
 - ii Options were more favourable – will follow this format for Easter Raffle
 - iii Will run from Mar 1 to April 30
 - Electric Roaster
 - Alison offered to donate hers
 - Missed the black Friday sales – unclear who was to purchase
 - We believe we can work with the ones we have and if Alison donates that replaces the one with the broken
 - Plan next hot dog day for February
 - Cookie Day
 - Wednesday Jan 22nd
 - Motion to allocate up to \$300 for a Cookie Day in January by Letisha McMillan Camp, seconded by Moriah Ralph – carries unanimously
 - Treat Trolley
 - Go classroom to classroom
 - Could really highlight those who do not participate
 - Keep this idea for parent teacher interviews, dance or movie night
 - February meeting reschedule

- February 10th and keep March meeting rather than split
- Movie night – Feb 14th is on a Friday
 - Family day weekend – could we use the gym
 - Kendra is away so we would need to find a workaround/other staff to volunteer

10. Adjournment: *Motion by Aimee Blanchette to adjourn at 7:26pm. Carried unanimously.*

Next meeting: Feb 10th, 2024 following school council meeting