



W.D. Pratt Fundraising Society

Meeting MINUTES – 2025

January 15, 2025

1. Called to order

The meeting was called to order by Kate C. virtually via Microsoft Teams and in person at 6:05 pm.

2. Acknowledgement of the land - Staff continue to practice the newly updated Acknowledgement of the Land. Thank you Alena Black for doing this.

The Calgary Board of Education acknowledges the traditional territories and oral practices of the Treaty 7 Nations, including the Siksikaitsitapi, comprised of the Siksika, the Kainai, the Piikani, and the Amskapi Piikani Nations. We acknowledge the Tsuut'ina Nation, the Îyârhe Nakoda, comprised of the Chiniki, Bearspaw, and Goodstoney Nations, the Métis Nation within Alberta, and all people who make their homes in the Treaty 7 region of southern Alberta. This land on which we gather is traditionally known as Moh'kinstsis (Blackfoot), Guts'ists'i (Tsuut'ina), Wîchîspa (Nakoda), and otôskwanîhk (Northern Michif & Cree). As a learning organization, we are committed to advancing the Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action focused on Education for ReconciliACTION.

3. Approve Agenda – Approve the agenda. **MOTION** raised by Becky P., seconded by Niki R. CARRIED

4. Approve November 2024 minutes – **MOTION** raised by Niki R. to approve minutes from November 13, 2024. Seconded by Becky P. CARRIED

5. On-going Fundraisers:

- Mabel's Labels.ca. Select William D Pratt on the 'Support a Fundraiser' tab. 20% of sales goes to the school. Kate to follow up on current funds raised.
- COBS Bread - Sage Hill location gives a portion of sales to the school when WD Pratt is mentioned at time of purchase as part of their Doughraiser program.
- Flip Give - Flipgive.com; buy gift-cards you will use and support WDP, with cash back to school. Join our team with the code: X3BCGL. Still waiting on the payout for funds raised to date, which continues to be successful especially over the holiday season, including donations and purchasing cards through the program.

6. Reports

a. Chair/Co- Chair:

Kate updated on the Purdy's Chocolates fundraiser \$529.72, down from last year. Growing Smiles brought in \$692.64 (plus a \$200 donation back due to the scheduling

issues on the part of Growing Smiles, which were then used to purchase gift cards). Due to the issues with Growing Smiles, we may look into an alternative supplier for the spring plant sale.

b. Treasurer:

Ann provided Kate with a written report that she read through. The *Fundraising General Account* has a current budget held for sport court maintenance of \$15,000, balance of \$536.80 of the original \$1,500 budget for Cricut supplies, current budget held for emergency lunch donations is \$309, as gift cards for \$800 have been purchased this year. DeVry Greenhouse paid an additional \$200 towards issues encountered during the Christmas fundraiser so a donation of \$50 was made towards Adopt A Family out of this money as well as compensation of \$20 towards fundraiser contributors. The Christmas fundraiser had a profit of \$692.64 from the plants (this includes the \$200 additional from the greenhouse) as well as \$529.72 from Purdy's for a total of \$1,222.36. The available balance to spend is **\$3,460.23**.

For the *Fundraising Casino Account*; there is \$4,531.92 remaining for additional DJ equipment. There is \$920.71 remaining for EAL resources from the original \$1,500 budget. There is \$4,125.67 remaining for evergreening technology although this may roll over. There is \$3,000 budgeted for literacy alternate language books. There is \$500 budgeted for musical instruments. There is \$2,487.35 remaining for sensory equipment. There is \$4,975.00 budgeted for 2 chromebook carts. There is \$559.00 budgeted for 1 iPad. There were calculators approved at the November meeting for \$886.75 and they were purchased for \$858.03. The 50/50 proceeds of \$129.00 still need to be deposited. Available balance to spend is **\$27,377.12**.

c. Casino Chairperson:

Alison provided an update on the upcoming Casino. License was received as of last week. Scheduled for March 2 & 3, 2025 at Cowboys Casino. Sign up Genius is currently live (<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4DAEAF29A2F5C25-51142783-2025#/>). Sunday is full but there are still 14 outstanding positions for Monday. Backups have not yet been filled, and will not be until closer to the date. School will send a QR code out to remind parents via the principal as well as individual teachers for volunteer positions still available. Will ask RRROCA to advertise for community volunteers as well, who have offered their support in promoting the need for volunteers. There was some discussion about businesses that encourage volunteerism to see if we can tap into potential volunteers; Alison to look into taking the discussion onto Facebook if this would apply for any parents. Will also cross-post on Royal Oak School Facebook page to encourage signup.

7. New Business -

a. New funding requests for school -

- Request for funding for buses for grade 9 field trip to Thirsk for \$300. Fundraising society to cover this request.

MOTION raised by Alison C to approve up to \$300 for funding request from Fundraising society, seconded by Becky P. CARRIED.

b. Parents Concerns/Suggestions - none raised.

8. Meeting Adjournment -

Next meeting for February 19, 2025.

Meeting adjourned at 6:40 pm.

Members in Attendance: Lindsay B, Kate C, Becky P, Tammy S, Lissa S, Niki R, Muhammad A, Alison C, Patrick C (online), Lindsay P (online), Foluso (online), Linda (online), Yousaf F (online).

Admin: Janice Luchenski, Alena Black, Peter Rowe, Carlotta Carr (online).

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