



W.D. Pratt Fundraising Society Meeting MINUTES – 2025

February 19, 2025

1. Called to order

The meeting was called to order by Kate C. virtually via Microsoft Teams and in person at 6:02 pm.

2. 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 Alison C., seconded by Becky P. CARRIED

4. Approve January 2025 minutes – **MOTION** raised by Alison C., to approve minutes from January 15, 2025. 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:

- We will be ordering spring plants from Blue Grass Nursery who have 4 offerings (11" hanging basket, 12" patio planter, 10" caged tomato, and 4" strawberry plant) and will provide a reasonable profit. Profits look a little better on this one and we are happy to have an alternative local company to

support while keeping prices lower for our parents. Royal Oak School will also participate with Pratt on this fundraiser but they need to follow up with Blue Grass directly.

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. Flip Give cheque for Adopt-a-Family has not yet been received. 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. There is \$3,000 budgeted for literacy alternate language books. There is \$500 budgeted for musical instruments. There is \$1998.22 remaining for sensory equipment. There is \$4,975.00 budgeted for 2 chromebook carts. There is \$559.00 budgeted for 1 iPad. The bussing for the Grade 9's to Robert Thirsk in February came in under budget at \$274.32. The 50/50 proceeds of \$129.00 still need to be deposited. Available balance to spend is **\$27,102.80**.

c. Casino Chairperson:

Alison provided an update on the upcoming Casino. Sign up is currently full; however, 2 positions have not yet been confirmed as they have paperwork that must be submitted prior to the casino, so backups may need to be called in. Sunday night volunteer position requires a backup volunteer; Monday day volunteer position may be covered. Back up positions are still needed in the evening and count room shifts so Alison will reach out again on Facebook. Alison needs to appoint a volunteer to bring and return confidential casino information; potential volunteers were identified for Alison to reach out. Alison asked about whether volunteers should receive a thank you card; Pratt has not done this in the past, however ROS did this last year. There was also discussion about whether Pratt should bring in snacks to offset the costs charged by the casino (as prices are retail and high, and they also charge 18% gratuity). The final decision will be made by the fundraising society.

7. New Business -

a. New funding requests for school -

- 1 DSLR camera approved up to \$1000
- Class recorders \$300; suggestion also to do a donation/return back to the school as recorders are all sanitized
- CSSI tools \$300 (approximately)
- Art drying racks \$3175

MOTION raised by Becky P to approve all funding requests from Casino Account, seconded by Alison. CARRIED.

b. Parents Concerns/Suggestions - none raised.

8. Meeting Adjournment -

Next meeting for March 12, 2025.

Meeting adjourned at 6:37 pm.

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

Admin: Janice Luchenski, Alena Black, Peter Rowe, Daniel Pitts.

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