

**FRIENDS OF A.L. HORTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SOCIETY
GENERAL MEETING
Minutes for October 24, 2023 (following School Council Meeting)**

Hybrid – In person and online via Google Meet:

<https://meet.google.com/adp-xviw-bus>

** Indicates items for which a written document/report will be attached/provided*

Attendance: Keri Busenius (Principal), Amy Rice (Vice Principal), Hannah Dinwoodie, Erin Robert, Kelly Daurie, Bonnie Dribnenki, Nancy Keel, Tenille Bergley

1.0 Call to Order @ 7:18PM 1 MIN

2.0 Review of Agenda **Completed, no motion needed** 1 MIN

3.0 * Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting – September 25, 2023 (*Motion required*) 2 MIN
Hannah motions to accept September minutes, Kelly seconds. All in favour.

4.0 Treasurer’s Report 3 MIN

4.1 Financial: Current account balances: General; _____Casino_____, and Fundraising (School)_____

Not completed due to Treasurer commitments to fundraisers. Estimated balance between 3 accounts are \$60,000.

4.2 Little Caesars and Bear Tracks fundraiser – sales update

Little Caesars fundraiser raised approximately \$3,500

Bear Tracks fundraiser raised approximately \$1,500

5.0 Standing Business / New Business 20 MIN

5.1 Fundraising Goal for 2023-2024- \$65,000- need to plan fundraising for year based on this. Discussion
to continue in 5.2.2 .6

Fundraising goal for playgrounds is \$125,000.

Then can apply for matching grants to get a \$250,000 playground. Fundraising goal for 2023/2024 is \$65,000. School may be able to allocate a prior surplus of approximately \$12,000 towards the playground. A motion will need to be made by School Council to allocate the funds.

There are some pieces on the K-2 Playground park that are scheduled to come out summer 2024.

Community education required as there is some community misconception about the playground not being needed as the school is expected to be closed and elementary school grades to be moved to current high school.

Erin is going to connect with smaller organizations that may have grant money that they can allocate to our playground project.

5.2 Fundraising ongoing and upcoming

5.2.1 Legion Breakfast/Steak Fry (scheduled through year) (to be assigned by grade)

5.2.1.1 November 24- Steak fry

5.2.1.2 January 14th - breakfast

Keri to get this out to parents. Volunteers can email Friends accounts. Kelly can help organize people prior to day but won't be attending.

5.2.2 Discussion of new and existing fundraisers for 2023-24

5.2.2.1 Online silent Auction, (Nov/Dec)

This was a lot of work in prior years

**Online 50/50 run anywhere between 2 weeks and 1 month. Estimate run from Nov 14 – Dec 14 (Christmas concert)
– Erin to look into AGLC license**

Raffle for reserve seating at Christmas concert – do we need an AGLC license?

Donation buckets at Christmas concert for playground – Add to Nov meeting

Raffle baskets – look for donations – continue further chat in group chat

5.2.2.2 Little Caesar’s Pizza – update; delivery date Oct 25, winner of most sales, and volunteers for delivery day **see above. Volunteers should be ok for delivery. Sufficient coverage for pickup time.**

5.2.2.3 Bear Tracks – update; delivery date Oct 25, and volunteers
See above.

5.2.2.4 Legion volunteer needed - what is the schedule? **Tabled**

5.2.2.5 Track and Field Canteen (June)- how much will this bring in? **Tabled**

5.2.2.6 Other fundraiser ideas to consider –growing smiles fundraiser (flowers), Spring dance event, The Purdy’s Chocolate at Christmas or Easter, Hot Dog sale at Coop, Bingo, online silent auction, 50/50, Prairie Perogies, other ideas? How much money will each bring in approximately? Plan for year to make up \$65,000

See above

5.3 Volunteer opportunities, board member attraction, connection, retention. – ongoing (can we offer incentive for people to volunteer) **Tabled**

5.4 Outstanding Society positions

5.4.1 **President:** Notify Corporate Registries, in writing, of all new and returning Executive/Directors/Officers- has this been done? **Elected & Accepted – Erin Robert**

5.4.2 **Vice-President:** Arrange updating of website with new names and contact information (work with Rita/Keri) **Elected & Accepted – Kelly Daurie**

5.4.3 **Secretary:** Provide summary of meeting to all members and interested parties **Vacant (Note Karma resigned)**

5.4.4 **Directors:** any new? **No new directors**

5.5 Signing Authority- motion to remove previous (list names) and add new (list names) , any two to sign.

Signing Authority at ATB Bank:

5.5.1 **Legal name:** **Friends of A.L. Horton Elementary School Society**

5.5.2 **Bank:** **ATB Financial**

5.5.3 **General account** **Community Spirit - 00116811824**

5.5.4 **Casino account** **Community Spirit - 00116811824**

5.5.5 **Signatories** **President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary (4 total).
Any two (2) of the four (4) above.**

5.5.6 **Adding:** **Erin Robert, as President; Tenille Bergley, as Director**

5.5.7 **Staying on:** **Kelly Daurie remaining as Vice-President; Nancy Keel remaining as Treasurer**

5.5.8 **Changing positions:** **N/A**

5.5.9 **Being removed:** **Kenneth Allan, Denise Gara**

5.5.9.1 Motion to add, remove and transfer signing authorities as required. **Nancy moves, Kelly 2nd.
CARRIED.**



6.0 Facebook page/Instagram/ Friends Email /Gmail account - access
Facebook – Erin & Tenille. Consider inviting parents to follow account.
Instagram – Tenille to set up
Friends Gmail account – Erin to have access to

7.0 Next Meeting of the Friends of AL Horton Elementary School Society: Next meeting– ~~November 20, 2023~~ **November 28, 2023 after school council**

8.0 Adjournment at **8:20pm**