



**Horace Allen School Council Meeting**  
**Thursday, November 22, 2018 - 6:30PM**

**CHAIR: Sarah Thompson - 403-563-7369**

**VICE CHAIR: Nicole Stafford**

**Recording Secretary: Kim Uhersky**

**Treasurer: Anke Gravel**



**Horace Allen School Council Mission:**

***'To foster the well-being and effectiveness of our school community and to enhance student learning'***

**HASC MINUTES**

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Sarah Thompson, Chair  
Kim Uhersky, Secretary  
Anke Gravel, Treasurer

Myrna Dembicki, Vice Principal  
Lesley Margetak  
Mallory Banting

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

- a. Call for additions/amendments to agenda
  - i. 8b - Add reimbursement for Elaine's gift
  - ii. 8c - Motion to use general funds for child care until the money comes from Trustees
- b. Approval of Agenda - motion to approve the amended agenda made by Mallory, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Anke, carried.

**2. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES**

- a. Date of previous meeting: January - change title "Agenda" to "Minutes"
  - i. Motion to approve the January minutes made by Anke, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mallory, carried.

**3. FINANCIAL REPORT (Anke Gravel) - attached**

- a. Motion to approve the financials made by Sarah, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kim, carried.

**4. CORRESPONDENCE (Sarah Thompson)**

- a. School Council e-news - email correspondence reviewed.
  - i. AB School Council Conference and Annual General Meeting is scheduled for April 26-28 – registration is now open.

**5. SCHOOL REPORT (Myrna Dembicki for Elaine Garner) - attached**

**6. TRUSTEE REPORT**

- a. Trustees key messages from lrsd.ca reviewed

**7. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a. Parent Worker Bee Committee - Mallory Banting Coordinator update provided
- b. Hot Lunch Committee - still no coordinator
  - i. Looking into doing a Subway lunch
- c. After-School Events - Possible Movie Night with ISS - discuss movie and event specifics
  - i. March 21 - doors open 5:30pm, movie at 6:00pm

- ii. We have a license for a Disney movie – Aladdin maybe
    - iii. Host it at HAS
  - d. In-School Events
    - i. Spring Concert will be April 17
  - e. School Grounds - Outdoor Classroom updates and fundraising ideas
    - i. Hike-a-thon fundraiser a success
    - ii. Festival in the Field will be in June
    - iii. Applied for a couple of grants - waiting for response
  - f. Fundraising
  - g. Recycling - Sarah Thompson - Coordinator - update
    - i. Plastic bag program beginning again
    - ii. Recycling piling up, waiting to hear from back up volunteer

## 8. BUSINESS

- a. Placed Based Learning update and Tri-school meeting update
  - i. Rescheduled for March 12 at 5:30pm
  - ii. Funding confirmed
- b. HAS Council condolence gift for Elaine
  - i. Motion to reimburse Sarah \$ 54.99 for the condolence gift for Elaine made by Kim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mallory, carried.
- c. Money for childcare - use general funds until we receive the cheque from the Board
  - i. Motion to withdraw \$ 60 for Parent Council meeting child care made by Sarah, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kim, carried.

## 9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

## 10. NEXT MEETING DATE & ADJOURNMENT

- a. Next meeting April 11 at 6:30pm
- b. Adjourned at 8:05pm

<b>HASC Simplified Financial Statement</b>			
January 15, 2019 to February 25, 2019			
<b>Actual Balance at January 15, 2019</b>			<b>\$6,620.10</b>
	<i>Details</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<b>Expenses from</b>			
<b>Income from</b>			
	Hot Dog Sales	2019-02-13	\$3.00
	Cookbook Sales	2019-02-13	\$70.00
<b>Balance at February 25,2019</b>			<b>\$6,693.10</b>
<b>Committed Future Expenses</b>			
	Story Theatre in March 2019		-\$950.00
	Kindergarten Classes - Scientists in		-\$300.00
<b>Uncommitted Balance at February 25,</b>			<b>\$5,443.10</b>
<b>General Account Balance - \$4,643.10</b>			
<b>Hot Lunch Balance - \$800.00</b>			
<b>School Council Savings - \$0.00</b>			

School Report to School Council February 28, 2019

**Story Theatre** -On March 19, actors from Story Theatre will spend the day at HAS. They start the day with a 50 minute performance titled 'Blue Beads and Blueberries', which is a Metis retelling of a Cinderella-type story. Actors then move to classrooms for 20 minute literacy sessions in classrooms. An assembly at the end of the day ties it all together. We thank school council for generously sharing the cost of this day with us.

**One Book, Five Schools** - *Poppy* - Another exciting adventure of bravery. Feedback from students was positive, but we weren't sure as many families as usual read the book. We provided YouTube links for audio readings, and Laurie Lowe read each morning in the library. The trivia questions/prizes were eagerly anticipated each day.

**Winter Walk Hike-a-thon** - Thanks to the generosity of our HAS community, \$2700 was raised through pledges

**Scientists in School**- Thank you to our Parent Council and HAS for providing the funds for this great learning opportunity. Students became paleontologists, astronomers, meteorologists, chemists and marine biologists! They rotated through five stations (run by our amazing volunteers - thank you!!), and completed a variety of experiments and activities.

**Intention Survey for next year**- At this point all the surveys expect a handful have been returned for K-gr. 2. So far, we have only 1 confirmed 'No', and 3 'Unsure' responses, showing little change in the grade 1-3 population for next year. This survey informs the projected enrollment that must be submitted to central office.

**Temperatures and Wind Chill** - We've had a real workout of watching the temperatures and wind chill in February! We are so proud of our students to dressing for the conditions, and being so excited to go outside.

**Skiing and Outdoor Learning** - We've completed the 4th day in this series. As always, skiing skills improved dramatically for new skiers, and more experienced skiers were able to hone their skills. The outdoor learning group experienced snowshoeing, outdoor winter play on the school grounds and in Flumerfelt park, and

**Tri-School Meeting** - We invite all parent to a tri-school meeting on March 12, 5:30 regarding place-based learning with John Taylor. He writes:

"There is also a **Systems Change 101 Workshop** that will be held on **Thursday March 21st from 1:00 to 4:00 pm**. We are hoping to confirm the lounge at the Curling Club for this purpose but we'll let you know the actual venue early next week. This workshop is open to everyone in this group plus others you may know who might be interested. Jill and Lena can facilitate this session for a maximum of 50 people, so let's fill all the available chairs! At the Systems Change 101 Workshop we will learn to apply systems thinking to address complex and entrenched social/environmental challenges. We will be introduced to the basics

of systems thinking, including principles such as resilience and self-organization. We will also take a look at approaches and tools that support systems change such as the adaptive cycle and collective impact. I am confident this will be a valuable learning experience you could adapt and apply in the context of your own organization as well as in our collective efforts going forward. Please mark the date. More specific information about the venue and registration for this workshop will be coming to you shortly.

Lastly, we have tentative dates for the three other system mapping workshops/consultations in phase one of this initiative when Lena and Jill will be in the Crowsnest Pass. They are: **Thursday April 4th, Thursday May 9th, Thursday June 6th**

**Teachers' Convention-** All teachers attended the annual convention in Lethbridge. Keynotes speakers started each day, and many sessions were available to choose from. The theme this year was Learning is Risky Business. Kara Kulak and Myrna Dembicki presented a session about Risky Play at Horace Allen School.