

J.T. FOSTER SCHOOL COUNCIL

Meeting Minutes

October 1/ 2025

Attendance:

Jason Macdonald, Jillian Spencer, Sherri Lundberg, Cindy Jones(Pineo), Sophie Laviolette, Carla Gimber, Brad Toone, Shanon Creason, Greg Graves, Rhonda Anderson, Samantha Whitten, Holly Gillespie, Amy Gillespie, Devina Comstock, Adrienne Lockton

Regrets:

Jodie Sieben

Opening: Sophie called the meeting to order at 6:04pm

Agenda:

- Sophie made a motion to move the AGM to the end of the meeting, Rhonda seconded.

Treasurer's Report: (As at July 31, 2025)

Casino Accounts

Community Account (Casino) \$14466.21

Less Outstanding cheques (\$6623.49)

Balance **\$7842.72 (July 31, 2025)**

Common Share Account \$8.38

School Council Accounts

Community Account \$23.31

Common Share Account \$7.84

High Interest Savings Account \$4302.36

No Outstanding Cheques

Treasurer's report was added later, it will need to be approved at the next meeting

School Council Chair:

- Sophie requested that a more accurate timeline of construction both JT Foster and AB Daley to be provided if possible
- There was lots of discussion about the importance of extracurricular activities and transportation. With the decanting, there is only one gym to be shared amongst 2 schools, limiting practices. Suggestions included using the Stavely school gym or Cayley school. Transportation and/or insurance might be an issue

- One suggestion included forming an athletic committee to brainstorm and organize sports and transportation
- Jason suggested the possibility that a parent or coach could take a course to get the 'S' endorsement on their licence to drive the white bus. It's a \$900 course that could be paid for by the school with a promise of return of service
- School council has very little funds and as a result has had to deny requests for coach courses and clinics as it does not fall within the casino requirements. Starting a hot lunch program was discussed

Principal's report:

- The school has a new app that improves communication between teachers, parents and coaches. Parents need to subscribe to each course, sport or school council option and allow notifications in their phone settings
- Hockey Academy enrolment. It was decided that enrolment would be on a first come, first served basis, with a payment deadline
- Jeff Perry will be invited to parent council to discuss transportation
- Jason introduced 3 new policies:
- Administrative Procedure #308 is Fairness in Sports regarding biological females in sports
- Administrative Procedure #207 talks about gender identity, sexual orientation and human sexuality
- Administrative Procedure #320 describe the procedures for gender and pro-noun identification

More information about the procedures can be found online:

<https://www.lrsd.ca/our-division/administrative-procedures>

Trustee's Report:

Carla Gimber, Brad Toone

- Nanton schools construction is officially underway
- PEAKS Collegiate Campus will be receiving a new addition to the school
- The Board of Trustees defeated the motion to restrict student travel for educational purposes within Canada
- The Board of Trustees approved the Borrowing Resolution
- The preliminary enrolment numbers for the division have gone down significantly this year

More information can be found online:

<https://www.lrsd.ca/board/board-key-messages>

AGM Elections:

Chair: Sophie Laviolette

Vice Chair: Devina Comstock

Secretary: Cindy Pineo

Treasurer: Jodie Sieben

Closing: Meeting adjourned at 7:37pm