

Alexander School Parent Council October 15, 2025

Present: Lindsay Filewich, Richelle Treloar, Kerri Wheaton, Justin Wheaton, Lacey Lavallee, Michelle McFarlin, Marnie Loewen

Regrets: Heather Thomas, Tricia Long

- 1. Meeting called to order at 7:02 PM by President Richelle Treloar.
- 2. Minutes from September 8, 2025 meeting read by Kerri Wheaton

Motion	To accept the minutes from the September meeting			
Move	Second	In Favor	Opposed	Status
Richelle Treloar	Justin Wheaton	7	0	Carried

3. Treasurer's Report:

Bank Balances (up to sept 30, does not include BBQ):

PC Account: \$11,993.84 Canteen Account: \$4,346.68

The Back to School BBQ brought in \$608.06.

Lunch contracts have brought in \$4,570.00. After wages we should have \$300 left over from lunch contracts.

Motion	To accept the treasurers report as presented.			
Move	Second	In Favor	Opposed	Status
Kerri Wheaton	Michelle Mcfarlin	7	0	Carried

4. The Parent Council discusses this years fundraising. We will continue fundraising for outdoor improvements. The parent council agrees that we should still keep with the 3 community based fundraisers and 3 paper/ go home fundraisers so it doesn't seem overwhelming. It is decided that if we want to add other fundraising opportunities through the year they would have to be community based but there is a concern for volunteer burnout with the same parents consistently volunteering.

Community Fundraiser	When	Go Home Fundraiser	When
Back To School BBQ	September	Brothwell Cheese/ East 40	November
Winter Festival	February	Make It Sow Seeds/ Spices	January
Touch-A-Truck	May	Moms Pantry	March

The idea is brought up of providing a date night night where children are dropped off to the school at a scheduled time so the parents can enjoy a date night on valentines day. There would be adults supervising as well as some grade 8's. The idea is liked but would need to be tabled for now.

It is discussed how it would be beneficial to provide family centred evenings during the winter. Many families have planned together activities in the evening during warmer months but may not have as many activities to do together in the colder months. The idea of having a family movie night in the Gym is suggested. The idea is liked and will be tabled until a later meeting.

The Back to school BBQ went well but we need to have more chips next time. The idea is brought up that if there are people who aren't coming and would still like to support our school they could donate food items or gift cards to purchase food items to the parent council.

- 5. The Parent council discusses the plan for Parent Council provided meals and have been asked about the possibility of running some hot meals like the school has in the past few years. Currently we do not have the volunteer base to run hot lunches so we have to say not yet but we can revisit that possibility in the future. We still will hold our pancake breakfast in December and the end of school BBQ in June.
- 6. The Parent Council asks Lindsay about the grants for the Gaga ball pit. Mr. Webber has been busy getting grants together for the purchase of the pit. He was unfortunately denied for one grant already and the 2nd closed the day of the Parent Council meeting. We will await the results of the grant before discussing Parent Council financial help for the Gaga ball pit.
- 7. Principals Report read by Lindsay Filewich.
- 8. The next meeting is scheduled for November 12, 2025 at 7:00 PM. The Safe Schools Advisory Meeting is scheduled to follow.
- 9. Meeting Adjourned at 7:50 PM