

Friends of St. Andre Society Meeting Minutes Wednesday March 13, 2024

1.0 CALL TO ORDER at 7:40pm

PRAYER AND TREATY 6 LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT To be read by all present: "We are a party to Treaty 6 and as such we wish to acknowledge that the land on which we gather is Treaty 6 territory, Blackfoot, Cree, Nakoda Sioux, Dene, Saulteaux. We recognize the diversity of First Nations who have at one time, lived across the territory, as well as the presence of the Metis Nation"

In attendance: Renee Moriyama, Brandy Foreman, Nancy Harris, Lindsay Skelly, Mandy Gartner, Michelle Symes, Cecilia Malcolm and Tanya Kearsey

2.0 REVIEW APPROVAL OF AGENDA Motion to accept the agenda as presented. Motion made by: Brandy Seconded by Nancy

3.0 Minutes reviewed from previous meeting

4.0 OLD BUSINESS:

4.1. Insurance Purchased - Insurance paid for a year from December 1, 2023 to December 1, 2024

4.2 Fundraising Updates from those who researched - Nancy researched and made an account with Growing Smiles Pots. The campaign can run at different times and period is 2-3 weeks. 2 weeks delivery. They set prices on the plant, etc and we can set another price depending on profit point.

- Other participants were not there to give update on researched fundraising

- Tanya to look at getting more info on Wilhauk Beef Jerky for the next meeting. Mandy will be looking into Mundare Sausage.

5.0 NEW Business

## 5.1 Fundraising Ideas -

- Lindsay mentioned that Edmonton Catholic schools have been given the opportunity to work casinos for fundraising. Renee will discuss with Liz to see if it's possible for St. Andre's to take part.

-Cecile recommended setting up a Bottle Depot account. Mandy will set up the account and do up a poster. Families will be asked to return bottles to the bottle depot under our account. No volunteers needed. This is planned for the month of May.

- Plan is to have the teacher's wish list items included in some of our fundraisers to indicate why certain fundraising is being done.

- Discussed some of the items that are in our annual budget. These are to be kept in mind when doing fundraising and keeping track of funds available for the year. Items mentioned were: Insurance, School playground repairs, dance, movie night and teacher luncheon

5.2 Wish List Vote - Brandy to continue to look into costumes, both purchased or being made.

- Estimated costs have been associated to the wish list items:

- 1. Pinnies (4 sets of 15) \$400
- 2. Whiteboards pkg of 30 \$100
- 3. Sensory items \$100
- 4. Ipad apps, ad removals \$100
- 5. Field Trip bus fees \$300

- Brandy motions to donate to the school \$1000 to spend on the Teacher's wish list items. The above wish list items will be purchased with the \$1000.

Nancy seconds the motion, all in favor. Motion carried.

6.0 FUND REQUESTS - none at this time

7.0 UPDATE from Lindsay

- \$24363.80 available funds
- \$2809.39 estimated in STAR account
- Lindsay was in contact with Beaumont Recreation & Cultural Committee in regards to putting additional playground equipment onto the school grounds. It entails a proposal submitted and meetings. It would require this person to put in some time and commitment to the purpose.

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Meeting adjourned at 8:33pm Upcoming meeting is April 17, 2024