

# Galbraith School Council Minutes

March 11, 2025, 6:30 pm

Chairperson of School Council: Dave Franz

Vice Chair of School Council:

Location: Art Room and Teams

We acknowledge that we are gathered on the lands of the Blackfoot people of the Canadian Plains and pay respect to the Blackfoot people past, present and future while recognizing and respecting their cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship to the land. We offer respect to the Metis and all who have lived on this land and made Lethbridge their home.

Present: Nicole F, Sandy S, Mandi, Dave, Mikala B Christine H, Andrea A

1. Call to Order and Introductions: Meeting Called to order by Dave at: 6:33
2. Adoption of Agenda  
*Add 7.3- screen time in school*  
Moved by Mandi, seconded Dave by, that the agenda be adopted with the addition of 7.3, screen time in school  
All In Favor, 0 Opposed, Motion passes
3. Approval of the Minutes from January 14, 2025\_School Council meeting  
Any Omissions or errors from the January 2025 minutes,  
None mentioned, the minutes are accepted as presented.
4. Business arising from the minutes - none
5. School Trustee's Report – Andrea Andreachuk
  - Welding shop at Churchill – southland donates
  - Ice scholarship showcase March 27<sup>th</sup> WCHS @6:30  
Students set up tables to highlight things happening in the division  
free to public  
grade 9-12 can apply for \$1000.00 scholarship
  - Dr. Probe pow wow coming up, rotates side of the city each year (west side this year)
  - Thursday government results for kindergarten ( maybe )
  - Chinook High school Trip going to Nashville in 2025 -2026 school year
  - Approved religion courses in Christian schools
  - Galbraith – YMCA partner for day care.  
School Board approved that the YMCA could apply for government funding of 3 million. YMCA put in application in March  
Kinder care hours? PD days? Still all in discussion as no funding secured yet so no definites
  - Meg Fester speaker : Food insecurities
  - AGSCM-
6. Division School Council Report – Dave Franz
  - 7.1 Division School Council report
  - Evergreen tech up next month – replace laptops = less computers

other parents fundraise for new. Cannot sell off.  
Some schools saving over years for new playground – has larger kiddie.  
We save money for new tech.  
some schools charge tech fee ( Plaxton )

Police Bangle discussion – open to everyone – no kids  
- online safety Parent session being offered.  
- March 27

#### 7.2 Review of upcoming policies

- responsible use of tech
- signing authority
- support staff growth supervision feedback
- lunch time screen time, some parents are concerned about the use of screens during lunches.
  - not here – teachers eat with students
  - screen time is limited

Policy? Not yet.

#### 7. Staff Members' Reports:

- a. Staff Report- Christine Henke -  
Parent engagement night – great turn out. great feedback. ( Melissa did a great job )  
Excited about celebration of learning night coming up. Kindergarten will be held in the gym.  
- New report cards next year. MMH piloting this year.
- b. Vice Principal's Report – Nicole Freel  
-Parent teacher interviews this week – book online –email sent out, or go to website.

Celebration of learning night 6-730p come and go March 13th.

- This is student lead. Teachers will not be able to do check-ins with parents. Please book a interview for this. If timing doesn't work contact the teacher to set something else up.

-April 10th Community fair

- 30 different organizations coming – there will be prizes.

Nicole has invited summer camps to come.

Some organizations that will be coming include:

My city care

food bank

The book mobile – maybe? (the Library will be there )

City of Lethbridge including the Mayor

Guides

Building brains

YMCA

New West

Polytech

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Camp Carmangay

Family center.

- Other schools will be invited

Field trips – They are happening

- Kindergarten planning to go to Home Depot – no date yet.
- Grade fours have field trips planned.

-Northside Library nook in the Labor Club

- This is a pop up library for the Northside the date was extended into May
- Self serve
- open during the hours of the skating rink (open early to late)
- Books placed on hold can be picked up here. Drop offs can be done here as well.
- Please use this to show that Northside needs a library.

c. Principal's Report – Sandy Scheldrup

- Welcomed Emily – working with Nicole Garlock – child support teacher
- Mrs. Craven accepted new position at a west side school for next year.
- Wellness month feelings – big feelings – Chantel- here until April
- Mid year planning learning support groups runs funding for new books
- Teacher preference forms went out for teachers to communicate to admin what their preferences are for teaching positions in 2025-2026

8. Modernization Update

- YMCA Daycare in Galbraith? - see above ( school council minutes part 6 )
- Staff parking lot to move as school will be extended into the old parking lot
- Hoping shovels to dirt this fall.

9. Engagement Grant

- 100\$ left to spend – is it use it or lose it?
- Suggestion to use it on books for Parent Library
- Nicole will be happy to order if given ideas for titles or themes, will talk about at April meeting.

- How did the Emotional Regulation evening go? Feedback?  
Went great, turn out was great. - kids and parents had fun. Kids had a great time in the gym, worn out by the end. Parents were all engaged could be longer than an hour if done again.  
-Extra money for next year, maybe over 2 nights
- Has Brianne Counselling Services been paid? Ask Melissa

10. Review of School Council Fund

- No update

11. New Business - none

12. Other Items – none

13. School Council Adjournment: Adjourned by Dave at 7:48

**Next meeting: April 8, 2025 6:30**

# Galbraith Parent Advisory Council Society Minutes

## General Meeting

March 11, 2025

Chairperson: Dave Franz

Vice Chairperson:

Location: Art Room and Teams

1. Call to order: Meeting Called to order at 7:48
2. Adoption of Agenda  
Moved by, seconded by, **that the agenda be adopted as presented with addition of 8.2 Field trips**  
All In favor, 0 Opposed, motion passes
3. Approval of minutes of January 14, 2025 Galbraith Parent Advisory Council Society meeting  
Any Errors or omissions from the January 2025 minutes  
None mentioned, the minutes are approved
4. Business arising from the minutes
  - 4.1 Hot Lunches- Healthy Hunger
    - i No hot lunch for February since it's a short month with a break in it
    - ii March 27 Hot Lunch- Little Cesars email sent out and posted to facebook.
5. Treasurer's Report – Mandi Bulechowsky
  - 5.1 Bank Account Updates
    - Casino \$235.45
    - common shares \$1.35
    - Regular account previous had \$1129.00 deposit for healthy hunger FEB 6 \$78.08new balance \$1207.08
  - 5.2 Presentation of financials
6. AGLC Committee Report- Mandi Bulechowsky
  - 6.1 Casino Update – went well. Been added to the list.  
expecting to be paid in May.  
given \$100 in tips, Sherry suggested to use for meeting snacks. - Nicole suggested gift card give away. ( door prize ) to encourage more parents to attend these meetings.  
To be discussed. ( this is not AGLC money )
7. Fundraising Committee
  - 7.1 Playground fundraising
    - i Nothing to report  
Start brainstorming, look for grants. Need BIG fundraiser.
  - 7.2 General Fundraising- Melissa Bootsman
    - i Pie Fundraiser:

- 1 Very successful, we sold over 780 pies and should receive just over 2500\$ in profits
- 2 Do not have a pick up date yet, have been in contact with the Pie store and she said closer to the end of March. Will keep everyone updated as information comes in

#### 8. New Business

- 8.1 Parent Council sponsoring Kona Ice for year end celebration? Grade 5 awards coming up – money is taken for that.  
Kona ice cost?
- 8.2 Field trip -  
Grade 5 zoo trip: – costs \$1700 for buses admission fee is \$897 had private sponsor last year, this year there is no sponsor.  
This year there could be a fee around \$50.00  
Grade 5 teachers asking for help – can we offer money to support?  
Casino money can be used for field trips.  
Around \$1500 would make it close to \$20.00 per student.  
If there is going to be a fee, Sandy would like to inform parents soon, so they can start to save up the money.  
Ginger bread fund?  
Mandi will come in April with more info from Tracy  
Vote will be made at April meeting.  
Will support in funding – not sure how much

#### 9. Other items - none

10. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned by Dave at 8:10

**Next meeting: April 8, 2025 6:30**