

Approved Meeting Minutes – November 18th, 2025

Annie Gale School Council Meeting

Attendees: Mheratab, Fronsa, Ambika, Daniel, Sameer, Tammy, Yeshi, Rumina, Hans, Enam, Laurel, Kal

1. Chair's opening remarks and introductions

Rumina opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

2. Review of minutes from last meeting

Rumina passed the motion for September meeting minutes

Tammy will make some changes to the acting principal's name.

Kal seconded

All in favor

3. Principal's Report

- It has been a strange fall; we have been happy to be back and settled after job action and the Fall Break.
- The job action that took place in October has brought the topic of student funding to the forefront of the media.
- Schools are in unfortunate positions in which they often must choose between class sizes and extra help with education assistants—they can't afford both.
- Annie Gale has class sizes which range from 27 to 33 and those are relatively small, in comparison to some other schools. However, the trade off is that we only have one education assistant to support the entire school. This means that out of 120 classes in every day, our education assistant can support only six classes.
- ATA members, which consist of teachers and school administrators, have been asking parents and guardians to reach out to their MLAs to discuss per student funding as well as any additional concerns that they might have.
- We recently learned of some funding coming to the school to support social/emotional learning; in December we will announce how this funding affects classes and supports in the school.

4. Treasurer's Report

Kal - \$603.00 as of Oct 23

5. Old Business

Rumina

- Popcorn sale at Meet the teacher night

- Fun lunch dates and Volunteers??
 - Nov 27th - Pizza
 - Dec 17th - Taco Time
 - Jan 28th - Lunch Lady/Halal Options
- December Gift Basket fundraiser/ candy cane
- February Valentine's Day chocolate fundraiser – Rumina asked for any idea but there were no suggestions at the time.

6. New Business

Rumina on behalf of Crystal – the popcorn sale was so crazy good!

Laurel – it was great

Tammy – it engaged people who sign up for casino volunteering, good for making connections.

- Popcorn Fundraising for Parent Teacher Interviews/ School Council Table (Nov 27th)
- Fundraising before Christmas break/ Gift Cards sale
- School Council Roles/ Respect/Teamwork
 - Tammy
 - Proposed \$500 for a gift card, which Rumina can sign tonight.
 - Suggested that purchasing a new popcorn machine could be ideal for the future.

Laurel

- Emphasized that her hope is everyone remembers the focus is on supporting the kids.
- Requested updates on the ATB account and guidance on where the money should be deposited.
- Mentioned that the bank information was updated at the last minute.

Rumina

- Asked who currently holds signing authority for the casino check.
- Noted that the casino event is approaching and preparation is needed.
- Suggested that for the next casino, responsibilities should be shared — it cannot fall solely on her, Laurel, or Crystal.

Kal

- Raised the idea of involving parents in fundraising activities if they are interested.

Laurel

- Mentioned there was some confusion during the casino and popcorn sale.
- Encouraged everyone to share ideas and provide support.
- Highlighted that there is a Key-Communicator position available if anyone is interested.

Tammy

- Emphasized the importance of recognizing what worked well and what didn't.
- Suggested developing proactive measures to prevent issues in the future.
- Encouraged trying different approaches to help reduce stress.

Rumina

- Expressed gratitude to everyone in the council, acknowledging their efforts despite family responsibilities, multiple jobs, and other obligations.

7. Next meeting date and time

December 15, 6:30 pm

8. Motion to Adjourn

Rumina passed motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:07
Kal seconded, All in favor.