

Approved Meeting Minutes – December 15th, 2025

Annie Gale School Council Meeting

Attendees: Aryan's mom, Tammy, Dan, Rumina, Laurel, Kal, Crystal, Yeshi

1. Chair's opening remarks and introductions

Rumina started the meeting.

2. Review of minutes from last meeting

Rumina passed motion to approve the last meeting minutes.

Crystal seconded, all in favor.

3. Principal's Report

- Successful wrestling season which ended in one tournament; students' efforts were noted, as was their sportsmanship and help at the end of the tournament
- We are getting ready for January and sports that will start then; we will be able to offer coaches for junior and senior volleyball teams but are unsure if other schools can do the same.
- Field trips have been planned but we have had limited forms returned; we need to decide at the end of the week if we can run them
- TLC virtual open house is on January 14, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. The link will be on our website.
- Report cards will be delayed until February.
- Planning for modernization is well underway; see last Sunday's weekly update for more information.
- We continue to have staffing shortages; last week we had several days when we were down three subs and one administrator.
- SWAT (Student Wellness Action Team) went to Mount Royal University for a Symposium last Monday; they will move forward with some actions and a larger group in January. We were unable to have students apply for the original SWAT team as the Board did not give us enough time to do so. However, all students are welcome to participate from January to June of 2026, regardless of their attendance at the symposium.
- TLC band concert scheduled for Grades 7 and 8 on January 29th.
- We have received some extra funding to move one of our teachers to a full time Social Emotional Teacher; this role will start in January, and we will have a staffing move as a result with another teacher hired to fill the gap.

- Families of students affected will be notified tomorrow night and students will be told on Monday
- The announcement for the whole school will happen in January

Aryan's mom raised a question regarding SWAT, TLC, and classroom modernizations.

Tammy confirmed that Band will no longer be mandatory (it will be optional), while French will remain mandatory.

- This year, Grade 9 students were offered Food and Construction courses.
- Starting next year, students in Grades 7, 8, and 9 will have more course options.
- The timetable will be rebuilt next year. While we don't yet know exactly how it will look, we are excited about being able to offer more opportunities.

4. Treasurer's Report

Kal – ATB as of Nov 23rd \$603 but will update more.

5. Old Business

Rumina passed motion for \$100 for the two baskets

Crystal seconded and all in favour.

- Fun lunch dates and Volunteers??
 - Dec 17th - Taco Time/Halal - confirmed
 - Jan 28th - Lunch Lady – also halal
 - Feb 25th – Crystal suggested Subway

Tammy – fun lunch/potluck and parent teacher meeting will not be a good idea

6. New Business

- January fundraiser-something for kids??

January / February

- Rumina and Crystal suggested focusing on kids, with themed baskets (e.g., candygrams).
- February fundraiser decided: Valentine's Day Chocolate Candygram.
- Tammy noted more time is needed for selling.

March

- Popcorn Fundraiser during Parent Teacher Interviews / School Council Table (March 19, 2026).
- Tammy mentioned this coincides with the last day of Ramadan, so timing may be sensitive.
- Discussed microwave popcorn from Costco (quick to prepare).
- Popcorn Fundraiser at Grizzley Growler Volleyball Tournament (March 6–7, 2026).
- Open to everyone, not just tournament participants.
- Crystal suggested purchasing a new popcorn machine from the same supplier.
- Rumina asked about cost—if under \$500, a gift card could be used.
- Mentioned that selling popcorn during meetings may be challenging.

Other Fundraising Ideas

- Crystal suggested a bottle drive per class, with prizes like a pizza party or class basket.
- Kal suggested holding bottle drives in summer, when parents can easily leave items outside.
- Crystal offered to run fundraising activities at lunch, inspired by a neighboring school's approach.

April

- Proposed Spring Dance.
- Tammy raised concerns about liability and student behavior; parents may not support.
- Rumina suggested a Talent Show instead.
- Tammy confirmed talent shows have been successful in the past. And it was agreed to pursue an alternative event when the time comes.

8. Next meeting date and time

January 21st at 6 PM

9. Motion to Adjourn

Rumina passed motion at 7:29pm, Crystal seconded, all in favor.