

**Approved Meeting Minutes – January 21st, 2026**  
**PARENTS ENCOURAGING SUCCESS ASSOCIATION (PESA)**

**Attendees:** Tammy, Rumina, Dan, Crystal, Hussain, Yeshi, Harshan, Kal, Laurel, Anisha, Sahib Nazar, Sona

**1. Chair’s opening remarks and introductions**

Rumina re-instated and continued with the meeting

**2. Review of minutes from last meeting**

Rumina passed motion about the last meeting minutes

Crystal seconded

**3. Treasurer’s Report**

Kal reported \$45, 552.98 balance at ATB, from the casino

**4. Old Business**

- **Casino Volunteers and Coordination Discussion Summary**

- Laurel raised questions about how volunteers are supported, including whether field trip discounts are offered. She also asked for clarity on who signed up and later dropped out.
- Tammy suggested creating a more formal volunteer tracking and communication system. This could include:
  - A confirmation email thanking volunteers for signing up
  - Clear messaging outlining the role they committed to
  - Ongoing reminder emails as gentle check-ins (e.g., “You signed up for this position”)
- Laurel noted that it was fortunate the casino did not question why the group was short-staffed, given the number of people missing.
- Anisha asked whether shifts could be covered by two people sharing one shift, **but** Laurel confirmed this would not be acceptable.
- Rumina shared that while replacements were eventually found, the process was slow, taking 30 minutes to an hour to confirm and find someone etc, though she was thankful coverage was secured.

Kal – Since the checkbook for the casino account was supposed to arrive before the school closed but didn’t, Kal called ATB to report that the delay was unacceptable. As a result, they issued and sent us extra checkbook at no cost.

**5. New Business**

- Closing of the old casino account / motion for accumulated fees.
- Rumina – could be \$20 or \$25 for the bank fee. Will make a motion next time about this.

#### **Funding Requests & Purchases Discussion**

- Tammy shared a request from the Phys Ed department to purchase new equipment, estimated at approximately \$3,700, with funding requested from casino funds.
- Tammy also advised that an **EAL** teacher requested materials priced between \$22–\$40 per item. The request includes 18 items at \$40 each, totaling approximately \$1,000.
- Dan discussed obtaining a quote for 3D printers. While the school may use existing equipment, an alternative option includes two 3D printers plus training, estimated at \$3,000, intended for CTF use.
- Tammy asked whether paper supplies could also be purchased using casino funds. Laurel will confirm whether these purchases fall under council funding guidelines.

#### **6. Next meeting date and time**

February 24, 6:30 pm

#### **7. Motion to Adjourn**

Rumina made the motion to adjourn, and crystal seconded, All in favor.  
Meeting adjourned at 7: 27 pm.