



William Aberhart High School Friends of Orange Association



Friends of Orange Association Meeting Minutes: September 25, 2023

President: Farouk Gillani	Treasurer: Kim Nordbye	
Vice-President: Olga Tourin	Secretary: Tracy Duncan	

Attendees:

Farouk Gillani (Chair), Olga Tourin (Vice-Chair), Tracy Duncan (Secretary), Christos Sagriotis (Principal), Joel Charest, Nicole Rossi, Annish Saini, Janelle Ward, Lara Mack, Dawna Morrow, Diana Brecka, Shelley Gellion, Emma Sauriol, Ori Ajemba, Teresa Winn, Hamid Banijamali, Shiva Banijjamali, David Keegan, Shazia Awan-Qureshi, Amanda Blue, Nicole Slot, Mirna Patella, Brian Donaldson, Gitte Julien, Travis McIntosh

1. Meeting called to order at 8:29 PM by Farouk G.
2. Consent Agenda reviewed. Motion to approve by Brian D., seconded by Tracy D. All in Favour. Approved.
3. Financial update by Treasurer (Farouk G./Kim N. absent)
 - The bank balance as of September 1, 2023 = \$1,513.52
 - \$200 in personal donations received through Benevity.
 - All cheques issued as of June 2023 have cleared.
4. Fundraising Actions:
 - Fundraising update:
 - Last year FOA did some fundraising with WAMPA> Growing Smiles, URFundraising. For these fundraisers we shared the proceeds. Unfortunately, these did not go so well, so there was minimal profit.
 - Needs for school: it would be helpful to have a wish list so that FOA knows what they are fundraising for. There was a list last year, but an updated list would be helpful.
 - Fundraising ideas: Cobs bread, bottle depots, Purdys chocolate, Healthy Hunger. These will be discussed further at the next meeting.
 - Casino: WAMPA (William Aberhart Music Parents Association) currently holds the casino license with all monies made going to WAMPA. They do offer the school an amount annually, but this may be limited to \$5000. It was decided that the FOA would have a discussion with WAMPA about the casino license and to see if they would be open to sharing the proceeds. Farouk to contact WAMPA president to initiate a discussion.



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Motion to initiate a discussion with WAMPA about the casino license and sharing the revenue by Olga T., and seconded by David K. All in favour.
Approved.

5. New business:

- Directors' insurance: there was a brief discussion about director's insurance. Currently FOA does not have insurance. The main reason being the cost. FOA has limited monetary resources, and it was felt that the cost was too much. Farouk G. to inquire about director's insurance.
- Virtual vs in-person meetings: Parents were asked what their preference would be for this upcoming year. Hybrid (in-person/virtual) was suggested. Some parents felt that this option does work, however, someone does need to facilitate it. Christos does not want to do that. Dawna M. volunteered to facilitate the hybrid meetings. Dawna has done this successfully at another school. It was agreed that the meetings will be held in a hybrid format for the first few meetings. If it works well then this will continue for the remainder of the year.

6. Next meeting date:

- **October 30, 2023 at 8:00 pm and will be held as a hybrid meeting.**
See FOA page on school website for dates and details [William Aberhart High School \(cbe.ab.ca\)](http://WilliamAberhartHighSchool.cbe.ab.ca)

7. Motion to adjourn Farouk G. at 8:57 PM, seconded by Shelley G. All in favour. Adjourned.