

ACES Meeting Minutes May 21, 2019, CCHS, 7pm

In Attendance: Jolene, Nick, Lexi, Amy, Maureen, Ronna, Melanie

Item	Topic	Discussion /Action	Follow Up By Who/ When
1	Call to order 7:02 pm	Motioned by Nick Seconded by Jolene	
2	Approve Agenda	Motioned by Ronna Seconded by Nick	
3	Approve May 1, 2019 Minutes	Motioned by Jolene Seconded by Ronna	
4	Calendar Updates and Upcoming Events (in the next month)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ACES AGM • Teacher appreciation next week • Raffle (tickets ready for AGM) • Springfest - May 31 • Parent Council at Rose and Crown on June 11 	
5	President	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of board report • Highlights from 2018 parent survey to be presented at AGM • Our accomplishments from this year: full day kindergarten, playground, volunteer registration, bylaw updates, balanced budget and strong cashflow, invested in priorities (teachers, mentors, materials), governance, finance policies (arrears, reserve, audits), nature immersion specialist, teacher training, waldorf mentor, library investment, improved communication (website and facebook, playground updates, reports, monthly newsletters). These align with the strategic priorities we identified during strategic planning (community development, communication, playground, master agreement, fiscal responsibility). • Bylaw changes review <p>MOTION – To accept proposed changes to bylaws for presentation at the AGM.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No new nominations that we know of for ACES for 2019/2020. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Areas identified from survey for future investments: handwork, waldorf inspired, teacher training, communications, parent involvement – Some of these have been invested in this year; Lexi to follow up as needed • Lexi to follow up with Societies (AB gov) to get more information on the point in the bylaws referring to internal audit (Section 7.1 of bylaws) and how best to adjust if warranted. • Lexi to build relationship with Calgary Waldorf – To see if we can piggyback on some of the guest speakers and other initiatives that they have underway.
6	Vice President	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No questions on board report 	

7	Fundraising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Raffle is ready to go for AGM Seeking classroom reps for the raffle – we need rep for Kindy; Kari Woo is rep for 1/2; Maureen is rep for 2/3; Ronna is rep for 3/4; we need a rep for 5/6 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jolene to recruit reps for Kindy (April?) and 5/6 (Jill?) Lexi to apply for casino
8	Playground	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TD Friends of the Environment wants to do a photo shoot with a large cardboard cheque on June 10th. Last meeting was earlier this month. Discussion focused on budget and phasing to keep options for expansion available in the future. Jolene received a catalogue of items with prices from Wilco. There is opportunity to move forward with a first phase this summer if things move quickly enough. <p>MOTION: Motion to award Alpenglow Playground and Outdoor Learning Space contract to Wilco/Earthscape by Jolene in response to letter of recommendation from Playground Committee, seconded by Lexi, all in favour, none opposed. Passed by consensus.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Next step is to develop a contract with Wilco/Earthscape. We are aiming to have a concept by June to be able to share ideas with membership before school ends for the year. Jolene met with Andrea B to see if there is opportunity to link bee project with playground project. They will continue the conversation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jolene to invite Shannon, Chris and Chris to participate in the big cheque event. Jolene to share ACES motion with Committee with our thanks for their hard work on the Committee thus far.
9	Treasurer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Budget is balanced for 2019/2020 – to be presented at AGM <p>MOTION: Motion to approve budget by Nick, seconded by Lexi, all in favour, none opposed. Passed by consensus.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lexi to let Chris and Hans know that there is budget available for library investments. Ronna to check with Rene to see what her thoughts are on the needs for the library.
10	Festivals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Springfest planning is coming along \$10 to do all of the activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Melanie to follow up with key folks regarding the gaps that remain
11	Director at Large	<p>MOTION: Motion to cover the extra costs (\$182.46) incurred for library books this year by Ronna, seconded by Nick, all in favour, none opposed. Passed by consensus.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All booking for CRPS rooms go through Maureen. She will coordinate with Chris and Hans. Review and update new volunteer system for 2019/2020. Ronna has captured changes. Request from parent to partner with Alpenglow to do some work related to food – e.g. GMO food. Could do health tips in newsletter or speaker series. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Make sex ed talk available to school body for free in the fall. Lexi to talk to Chris and Hans about teaming up with Right from the Start regarding the outreach for the sex ed talk. Ronna to send sex ed talk to ACES in the meantime. Ronna to send updated volunteer description to Lexi and Maureen for review. Lexi to present at AGM. Ronna to respond to parent and have her follow up with Lexi that we are interested in doing something around food, we just don't know what yet (for the fall).

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12	Admin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need to decide how much to pay babysitters at AGM. \$25 per sitter with a bonus of \$5 if there is more than 8 children. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maureen to organize some food for the AGM. • Maureen to print materials for the AGM. • Ronna to come early to help with room set up.
13	In Camera		
14	Meeting Adjournment 10:08 pm	Motioned by Nick Seconded by Ronna	