

## Stanley Jones and Alice Jamieson

### Parent Council Meeting Minutes

January 28, 2025

*Online Meeting*

#### **Attendance (25):**

Lisa Range, Meghan Boyd, Jake Smith, Jalil Salehi, Anna Johnston, Krista Bartlett, Roman Freizon, Bill Weaver, Heather Smith, Maddie Bemrose, Frances Wasylenko, Shivi Thusoo, Nana [last name unknown], Lisa Stewart, Hashim [last name unknown], Cate Hydeman, Maureen Souply, Christina Van Der Light, Liam D [last name unknown], Hiroshi Ishii, Marwa [last name unknown], Mauri [last name unknown], Michelle Speta, Morgan Van Dam, Nasrin Pourmoha.

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#### **6:31 PM - Meeting Called to Order**

- **Land Acknowledgement** (Jake)

#### **Approval of Minutes from November Meeting:**

- Motion to approve: *Lisa 1st, Heather 2nd*
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#### **6:34 PM - Principal's Message (Anna Johnston):**

- **Enrollment Update:** Enrollment has remained consistent since returning from winter break. There have been a few students leaving and a few joining, resulting in no net change. Next year's enrollment projections will be received soon, and planning will begin.
- **Community Registration:** Currently lower than past years for both SJ and AJA, though there was a great turnout at both open houses. KG registration is underway. AJA is advertising in high-traffic areas around the city to increase interest. Current families are asked to express their intent to return by February 11.
- **Funding and Resource Allocation (Krista Bartlett):**
  - Both SJ and AJA receive equal funding per student from CBE, regardless of which program students are enrolled in.
  - Fundraising associations at both schools support athletics, field trips, and various activities. Examples include:
    - Camp Chief Hector
    - Swimming Lessons
    - Sound Kreations Residency (Hip Hop Dance)

- Fitset Ninja
  - Jeff Stockton (Harpist)
  - Felting Residency
  - Upcoming opportunities: Inuit carving
  - **Athletics Update:** High school registration is live. Ms. Maggie is the 8/9 Learning Leader and the main contact for this. Grade 6 students in SJ can attend information sessions for JP Vanier Late French Immersion and Colonel McLeod (date TBD).
  - **Staff Updates:**
    - Emily McGilavary has taken over Grade 7 at AJA.
    - Rita [last name unknown] has replaced Ms. Fung (on maternity leave).
    - Shauna Frank (Grade 1 Learning Lead) has moved to Australia; Caylee Taylor has taken over her position.
    - Mx Morris is on indefinite leave, and Anna and Krista are in the process of hiring a replacement.
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#### **6:45 PM - Questions/Comments from Parents:**

- **Shivi Thusoo:** Asked if he could send names of potential band/music teachers. Krista confirmed this was okay.
  - **Maureen Souply:** Asked if the intervention program that Ms. Frank was overseeing will continue with Ms. Taylor.
    - **Anna's Response:** Yes, the program will continue with a collaborative response. They are considering hiring someone for 0.2/0.3/0.4/0.5 FTE to take over in the spring.
  - **Liam D:** Inquired about music lessons, asking if they were currently on hold.
    - **Krista's Response:** A substitute music teacher has been in place this week, and students are also practicing with their homeroom teachers.
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#### **6:45 PM - Update on Learning Grounds Project (Lisa Range):**

- Volunteers with experience in grant writing are needed to join the committee.
- Groundbreaking expected by mid-June.
- Efforts to raise funds are ongoing, with additional grant applications being submitted.

#### **6:50 PM - Healthy Hunger Update (Jake):**

- Volunteers are needed for the Healthy Hunger program.

#### **6:51 PM - Traffic Committee Update:**

- No updates.

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**6:52 PM - Old Business:**

- No old business arising from the November meeting minutes.
- **Reminder:**
  - **AJA Casino:** February 12-13, shifts available. Volunteers can sign up at [volunteersignup.org/MD8Y3](http://volunteersignup.org/MD8Y3).
  - **Christina Van Der Light:** Both SJ and AJA parents are encouraged to volunteer for AJA's casino fundraiser, as the funds raised benefit both schools.

**6:53 PM - New Business:**

- No new business discussed.

**6:54 PM - Next Meeting:**

- Date: February 25, 2025.

**6:57 PM - Motion to Adjourn:**

- Motion to adjourn: *Lisa* 1st, *Christina* 2nd.
- Meeting adjourned at 6:57 PM.

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Minutes Prepared by: Lisa Range

Approved by: Jake Smith