

## Meeting Minutes

### Alice Jamieson Girls' Academy Fundraising Association – Executive Meeting

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Date: December 20, 2022

Meeting Called By: Bill Weaver

Time: 8:00 PM

Location: In Person. Shivi's house.

#### PRESENT

Bill Weaver (Chair)

Shivi Thusoo (Treasurer)

Lesley Kalmakoff (Secretary)

Mary Grace Linton (Casino)

Erin Lottermoser (Vice Chair)

#### 1. Agenda – Review of Funding Matrix

##### AJA Funding priorities for consideration include:

- **Academic**
- **Band** – has been an important program for AJA
- **Science** – responding to request from school in the near term (next 2-3 years) and help prep students for high school science
- **Leadership** – to support the AJA program identity and specialization
- **Land-based learning** – developing program available to whole school
- **IT** – ongoing needs
- **Art**

##### Discussion:

- Some have been well funded in previous years based on aligned goals and priorities of the school and the association
- Stanley Jones Association will likely have other funding priorities based on their curriculum (e.g. lower priority on leadership, no band program, lesser priority on science)
- Some categories (e.g. Misc) should be set high enough to cover what's already been approved for this year
- It's best practice to identify the funding matrix levels in September each year so that we can consider requests within the available funds
- There could be some fluidity in the categories as we negotiate requests throughout the year
- AJA Association may need to bridge the SJ Association this year as their casino funds will come in later than those for AJA

**Proposed Adjusted Matrix:**

	<b>Budgeted</b>	
	<b>%</b>	<b>\$</b>
Academic	22.5	11,890.55
Band	15	7,927.03
IT	15	7,927.03
Land-Based Learning	5	2,642.34
Science	12.5	6,605.86
Art	5	2,642.34
Leadership	12.5	6,605.86
Misc	12.5	6,605.86
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>52,846.88</b>

**Actions:**

- Identify grant opportunities and their deadlines
  - o Eg. Heritage grant may support the garden committee’s pursuit of land-based learning connections
  - o May be particular opportunities for science lab funding (promoting girls in science)
  - o Note that grant applications require support and sign off by the School (Principal/VP)
- Inquire about the school plan for land-based learning and how and when funds would be used, and how that relates to what the garden committee has in mind
- Anticipate that honorariums may be higher if there is an opportunity for an Elder to come in
- Bill to send the adjusted table to Krista for her consideration in alignment with school plans/priorities

**2. Adjournment**

Next meeting scheduled for February 1, 2023. 7:00pm, Virtual.

Motion made by Lesley to adjourn