

Meeting of the Stanley Jones Fundraising Association

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Date and Time: Tuesday, January 28th 2025 at 7:30pm

Location: Virtual (Microsoft Teams)

Meeting Called by: Christina van der Lugt (Chair - Stanley Jones School Fundraising Association)

Attendees (as of 7:05pm):

- Christina van der Lugt
- Lisa Range
- Heather Smith
- Jake Smith
- Maureen Souply
- Michelle Speta
- Frances Wasylenko
- Bill Weaver
- Cate Hydeman
- Hashim
- Maddie Bemrose
- Mauri
- Meghan Boyd
- Nadia
- Nana
- Nasrin Pourmoham
- Shivi Thusoo
- Mariia Honcharova

Item #	Item	Presenter	Notes
1	Welcome, Approval of November Meeting Minutes	Christina	Approval of November Meeting minutes: Jake motion to approve. Bill second. Motion carried. Many new attendees so introduction of executive.
3	Treasurer's report	Meghan	<u>Casino Account</u> = Opening Balance \$85,412.70. No expenses through December. Closing Balance \$85,413.43 (small amount of interest received). Pre-approved expenses of just over \$16,000 (previous funding requests which have been approved but for which we have not yet been invoiced). <u>Non-Casino Account</u> = Closing balance \$6,958.70. \$500 donated to families in need at Christmas time. \$295 received from Food Truck from welcome BBQ (they give a portion of their proceeds back to the school) These funds come mostly from the No Fuss Fundraised are more flexible; they can be used for food (e.g. parent-teacher interviews, teacher appreciation), or gift cards for families in need, etc. Also used to pay for teacher first-aid training.
4	Old Business	Heather	Stanley Jones Casino dates are May 17/18 at Cowboys Casino. Shift sign up here: https://volunteersignup.org/LPPJM This is our most lucrative fundraising opportunity, by far. Each casino brings in about \$80,000 for the school (and we get two: one for SJ and one for AJA). There is no equivalent

			amount of chocolate bar sales/ bottle drives which would bring in this kind of funding! Each persons' shift brings in about \$2000 for the school (so an 8-hour shift pays about \$250 an hour)!
		Christina	We are looking for a parent volunteer to lead the No Fuss Fundraiser this year. Executive is here to support parent volunteers in this initiative. No Fuss Fundraiser in previous years has brought in between \$3K and \$10K. Platform used is Go Fund Me. Discussed possibility of using Education Matters as a platform because it allows parents to receive tax receipts. However, major drawback is that the funds are restricted and cannot be used for, say, food, which is a large part of what we use the No Fuss Fundraiser funds for. Education Matters also takes a bigger chunk than Go Fund Me. Call for Volunteers; no one expressed interest. Next steps will be to email mailing list and try to find someone to take this on.
4	New Business/ New Funding Requests	Casino	Library team is asking for \$2000 for new books. Shared expense with AJA (\$1000 each). Jake motion to approve. Bill to second. Motion carried.
		Casino	\$1228.50 for Clay for Kids. This opportunity is replacing a previous approved opportunity to have an Indigenous Artist which fell through (no response received from vendor). Bill motion to approve. Maureen to second. Motion carried.
		Casino	\$2400 for grade 5/6 Inuit Carving residency. Bill motion to approve. Jake to second. Motion carried.
5	Questions/ Other Business		Question about why there was a \$4 charge per kid for the wet felting when the project was sponsored/ paid for by the fundraising association. Bill explained that the cost of the opportunity was likely submitted to CBE long before outlining possibly cost per student and to change this after would require a lot of paperwork. Show of hands for who prefers virtual format (4 people), vs. in person format (6 people). 6 people did not show a preference.
6	Adjournment		Lisa motion to adjourn. Bill to second. Motion carried. 7:37pm meeting adjourned.