Annual General Meeting Minutes

Alice Jamieson Girls' Academy Fundraising Association

Date:	June 10, 2026	Meeting Called By: Bill Weaver
Time:	7:00 PM	
Location:	Virtual - Zoom	

PRESENT

Bill Weaver (Chair)	Tara O'Donovan
Leslie Jones (Vice Chair)	Bethany Weaver
Michelle Feragen (Treasurer)	
Lesley Kalmakoff (Secretary)	
Lisa Tornack (Casino)	

1. **Welcome (Bill)**

   Minutes from May 13, 2026 meeting are pending approval.

   Motion: Michelle moved to approve minutes from May 13, 2026. Seconded by Lisa. Carried.

2. **Chair's Report (Bill)**

   - Bill expressed gratitude for the contribution of the board members this year, and our collaboration with the SJ Association, Parent Council, and the School leadership. This is important to supporting the breadth of programs for the entire student body.
   - Bill appreciates the value that this Association's funding brings to the school in learning experiences. It helped reduce costs for families and provided experiences that students may not otherwise get. Funded programs helps the students explore who they are, their capabilities, and how to be successful in this world and how they can contribute. It is important funding to invest in students and their development.

3. **Treasurer's Report – Year End Audited Financial Statements, AJA Casino Account, AJA Non-Casino Account (Michelle)**

   Michelle provided the audited Financial Statement for the Year Ending May 31, 2026. This will be submitted as required for the Association.

   Motion: Michelle moves the audited financial statements be received for the record. Lisa seconded. Carried.

   Update on bank balances, as of May 31, 2026.

   <u>AJA Non Casino Account</u>
   $10,682.44 Unallocated
   $3,600.00 Pre-approved

$14,282.44 Balance

AJA Casino Account
$49,706.95 Unallocated
$56,440.59 Pre-approved
$106,147.54 Balance

4. **Election of Board Members for 2026-2027 School Year (Bill)**

A flyer with vacancies for School Council, SJ Fundraising Association and the AJA Fundraising Association will be sent home with students.
Secretary position will now be vacant. Lesley K will continue to support this work while a new secretary is sought.
No other members have put their names forward for board positions.

Existing members are willing to continue in their roles, with the exception of Secretary.

The proposed board members for 2026-2027 would therefore be:

Chair – Bill Weaver
Vice Chair - Leslie Jones
Treasurer - Michelle Feragen
Secretary - vacant
Casino - Lisa Tornack

Motion: Bill moved that the Executive be composed of existing members continuing in their roles, except for Secretary which will now be vacant. Seconded by Lesley K. Carried.

5. **Old Business (Bill)**
   a) **Casino Update (Lisa)**

Casino Advisors have been contracted. Lisa will get spreadsheet set up for volunteer sign ups, which will start in the fall.

6. **New Business**

a) Funding Asks (see Page 2) **(Bill)**

1) **Parent led event for Grade 9 graduates (Tara O'Donovan)** – the school is holding an in-school event that day, and parents are planning an event after school, including renting the community hall and having dinner. Tickets have been sold and parent donations are being used to keep costs down. Parent organizer is requesting funds to pay for the hall rental ($189).

Discussion: Fourteen of the 16 students and their parents are expected to attend. SJ is having a Grade 6 graduation celebration and the SJ Committee was asked to help with hall rental. This could be funded from non-casino funds. Suggestion of $15-20 per student could become a standard contribution for this year end event.

Motion: Lisa moved to fund $20 per student for Grade 9 Year End event, for $280. Seconded by Michelle. Carried.

2) **Teacher Appreciation Event for Sept 2026**

Request is $60 for AJA's portion of welcoming back teachers in September 2026. SJ Fundraising Association amended their amount and approved more. This is pre-approved item at $250. Does not need a vote today.

3) **Back to School Food Truck Event**
Discussion about the increased costs of printing for events this year. We'd like to be mindful of printing costs going forward, work to reduce these costs, and receive cost breakdowns with requests. These are funded by non-casino funds.

Motion: Lesley K moved to fund $1325 as requested for the Back to School Food Truck Event. Seconded by Michelle. Carried.

4) **Summer Reading Bingo Initiative**
Gift card purchase would come from casino funding. While printing would come from non-casino funding.

Motion: Michelle moving to fund the requested $225 for the Summer Reading Bingo Initiative. Leslie J seconded. Carried.

5) **Sports Day Shaved Ice Truck**
Michelle is aware of this request even though we didn't formally receive the request. This was a student's suggestion for this year's sports day. SJ has approved 50% of the funding at $1008. This would be from non-casino funds.

Motion: Michelle moves $1008 for a sports day shaved ice food truck. Leslie J seconded. Carried.

6) **Bike to School Day**
We did not formally receive this request, but Michelle is aware of it.

Motion: Michelle moved $250 for Bike to School Day. Lisa seconded. Carried.

Motion: Michelle moved to make this $250 item a standing item annual. Lisa seconded. Carried

7) **Wellness Day Overages**
Michelle received receipts for Wellness Day supplies. $465 was approved but the actual costs ended up being $182.89 higher.

Motion: Lisa moved to approve the overage of $182.89 for Wellness Day supplies. Lesley seconded. Carried

8) **Update on GSA and funding request (Bethany Weaver)**
Bethany provided an update on how the GSA went this year. Noted it had good participation and a supportive teacher and created an inclusive environment. Bethany and co-lead attended a GSA conference in Edmonton for further learning. Bill 25 is a new challenge with the proposed

ban of flags in schools. The group is grateful for the funding provided this year. Students are requesting continued funding at $500 for 2026-2027. She will ask SJ to split the funding ask.

Motion: Michelle moved to set aside $500 for the GSA for 2026-2027, ideally split with Stanley Jones Association if they agree to funding. Lisa seconded. Carried.

7. Adjournment

Next meeting will be scheduled for September or October at the call of the Chair.

Michelle moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:45pm.

Table 1.0 – Summary of Funding Requests – June 10, 2026

#	Item	Amount ($)	Association (Notes)	Motion	Second	Carried
1	Grade 9 Parent-organized Grad Event	$280	Supporting $20 per student at 14 students expected.	Lisa	Michelle	Yes
2	Welcome Back Teacher Appreciation	$250	Pre-approved annual expense – vote not needed	N/A	N/A	Yes, pre-approved
3	Back to School Food Truck Event – Sept 2026	$1325	Shared with SJ at 50%	Lesley K	Michelle	Yes
4	Summer Reading Bingo Initiative	$225	Gift cards and printing. Shared 50% with SJ	Michelle	Leslie J	Yes
5	Shaved Ice Food Truck – Sports Day	$1008	Shared with SJ at 50%	Michelle	Leslie J	Yes
6	Bike to School Day	$250	Shared with SJ at 50%	Michelle	Lisa	Yes
7	Wellness Day Supplies Overage	$182.89	Overages on cost of supplies. Shared with SJ at 50%	Lisa	Lesley K	Yes
8	GSA funding for 2026-2027	$500	Funding support for 2026-27 year's activities. Will split with SJ if they approve funding.	Michelle	Lisa	Yes