

Hidden Valley School Council
Minutes: September 24, 2025

Agenda #	Agenda Item	Key Discussion	Motions
Call to Order by Caroline M. at 6:35	1. Land Acknowledgement 2. Introduction of guests 3. Meeting attendees' contact information via sign in sheet 4. Email is the primary way to contact Hidden Valley School Council 5. Quick overview of timekeeper role and use of parking lot for items not requiring immediate approval before the next council meeting on October 8, 2025 6. Appointment of timekeeper	Quorum established Andrew appointed as timekeeper	
Motion	Motion: Approval of minutes from May 14, 2025		Motion: CARRIED
Community Update Raye Lynn G		• Events planned, check the website for updates	
Reports – Guest Speakers	*No guest speakers this meeting*		
Reports – School Admin: Principal Mme Michelle Assistant Principal Mme. Allison Rob	• School startup • 2025-2026 budget preparations • Updates and upcoming events	• Busy establishing routines and expectations • Land based learning has begun for all students ○ Sketching trees ○ Sit spots	

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		○ Outdoor readings ○ Walking field trip ● Kindergarten is working hard on developing fine motor skills ● Terry Fox was a big success with Valley Creek collaboration! Enrollment and Funding Update ● Current enrollment: 544 ● Projected enrollment: 575 ○ Kindergarten families are struggling to find childcare and transportation leading to less enrolled ■ Looking into options to support Kindergarten families experiencing these struggles (considering shifting to alternate full day, current before and after school care is looking to expand as well) ○ Lottery process caused stress for some families and lead them to look for alternative schools/programs ● CBE funding is based off of September 30 ○ Staffing will remain mostly unchanged ○ Any extra funds will be used to support staffing	
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		French as a Second Language • Expanding to grade 2 this year • Previously for grade 3 and 4 • Curriculum is designed by CBE • OLEP funding has been granted to provide 0.5 FTE for a french support teacher ○ Mme. Genvieve will support French as a Second Language programming in the afternoons <i>Please send questions for Admin Update to School Council in advance to hiddenvalleyschoolcouncil@gmail.com</i>	
Chair Report Caroline M.	• Quick overview of Agenda • Future meeting dates - the second Wednesday of every month • Other items managed by chair or questions about agenda	• October 15th will be the next meeting to even out the gap between October meeting and November meeting • November meeting will be moved to November 19th to accommodate Fall Break • December and June meeting will be determined closer to the meeting date • Send school website updates to Trevor NOT moira this year • Is it possible to have communication sent to parents to remind them to opt in to communication to ensure messages are being received	

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		ACTION: Michelle to send home a paper based form with instructions for opt in ACTION: Caroline to post reminder and instructions to social media accounts	
Treasurer Report Andrew H.	Please email hiddenvalleyschoolcouncil@gmail.com if you would like to obtain a copy of the treasurer report in advance of the meeting. 1) General Account Balance: \$33,070 (minus committed \$7,346 = \$26,474) 2) Gaming Account Balance: \$46,010 (minus committed \$750 = \$45,260) Insurance (Marsh) annual renewal has been submitted and Marsh confirmed receipt.	Treasurer Report is emailed out to the people on this list, or you can request from hiddenvalleyschoolcouncil@gmail.com Insurance payment will go through AGLC account	
AGLC Coordinator Brandy L.	Upcoming casino fundraiser: volunteers needed!	- Still 29 volunteers short - Can post on the Hidden Valley Community page and also being posted on the FB page ACTION: Brandi to send communication / form to Michelle and Trevor. This is to be sent home to parents to help volunteer. - Hail mary: can use AGLC funds to pay for babysitting (\$x/hour)	
Fundraising Coordinator Raye-Lynn H.	- General discussion - Updates	- Purdy's will move forward, anticipating delivery prior to winter break - Growing Smiles will move forward again in the spring - Raye Lynn following up with Cobb's in Sage Hill	

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		ACTION: Raye Lynn to send out survey to families to gauge interest in various fundraisers	
Valley Creek School		- Projected for 812 students, have roughly 801 students - AGM October, casino coming up	
Playground	Fencing and sod update	- Landscaping was going to start Monday and have determined student safety is a concern so they will come back September 29/30 - Landscape fencing will be put in place - Watering schedule in place - Fencing has been paid for through CBE and grant money needs to be spent and reimbursed by September 30, 2025	
Funtastic	Upcoming activities - o Healthy Hunger initiative - Fun Lunches ▪ Fun Lunches - updates - o Spirit Days: ▪ Dates ▪ Shirt order update	- Brandy will take on Snack days starting in January - Pop up shirt sales? - o Aligning with events instead this year - Teacher t-shirt orders (lots of new staff) - o No hoodies currently, t-shirts from adult small to adult large - o Last year was subsidized purchase cost - o 12 new staff requiring t-shirt - o \$9 cost - charged \$2 fee for teachers t-shirt - o **TBD: Potential to get hoodies for the teachers from general acct (ave. price is \$20/hoodie, Brandy	

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		to confirm. potentially subsidize half from council) ACTION: Michelle to survey staff about hoodie interest and provide numbers to council	
Activities Leah L.	Fall Dance	• Thursday, October 30, 2025 • Potentially increase prices for concession (2 stands?) • Ticket prices stay at \$10/family • Two times: 5-6:30 and 7-8:30 • Will need volunteers ACTION: Leah to speak with VCS to get volunteer students (gr. 8's and 9's) Leah, Lauren, Mandi, Heather and Hanna to plan	
Traffic Safety Mandi L.		• Mandi and Brandy are working traffic safety blitz in the morning and after school • Bus stop continues to be an issue with parking • Brandy is looking into requesting curb extenders through the City of Calgary • Parents continue to park in bus zone, in front of driveways and hug and go • Send in complaints to 311 - parking too close to curbs, jaywalking, parking in bus zones etc ACTION: Mandy to send out request for parent volunteers for traffic blitz ACTION: Mandy to look into getting a lawn sign (sign guru) with sample fines - same as Valley Creek did 2 years ago	

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Naturalization			
MOTIONS/ DISCUSSION S from the Floor?		Discussions:	
Upcoming date to remember	September 26 - Orange Shirt Day for National Day for Truth and Reconciliation September 29 - Non instruction day (no classes) September 30 - National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (no classes) October 1 - Fire safety program (kindergarten) October 2 - ¾ zoo field trip October 10 - Photo Day: K-PM, Grade 1 & 2 October 13 - Thanksgiving day (no classes) October 17 - Photo day: K-AM, Grade 3 & 4 October 20 - Non-instruction day, Calgary general election (no classes) October 30 - Fall dance	Trevor to confirm re-takes day (Currently over Fall Break)	
Next Meeting:	Wednesday, October 15, 2025		Carried
Adjournment	Adjournment		Motion to Adjourn at 7:52 CARRIED