

ACADIA PARENT COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Date: Wednesday Sept 10th, 2025

Location: Acadia School/Virtual

Time: 6:30-7:30pm

Present: Ms. Bartel, Ms. Hatch, Jen P., Loretta M., Mike S. and all in person and online parents.

- **Land Acknowledgment by:**
- *We would like to acknowledge the traditional territories and oral practices of the Blackfoot Nations, which includes the Siksika (See-see-gah), The Pikani(Bee-gah-nee) and the Kainai(guy-nah). We also acknowledge the Tsuut'ina(Soot-tenna), the Stoney Nakoda(Na-ko-da) First Nations, the battle river territory and all people who make their homes in the Treaty 7 region of Southern Alberta.*
- **Meeting called to order by: Jen Peters**
- **Approval of the Sept 2025 agenda:**
 Motioned: Jen Peters
 Seconded: Jill Marven
- **Approval of the May 2025 minutes:**
 Motioned: Jen Peters
 Seconded: Jill Marven
- **Teacher Report: n/a**
- **Administrators Reports:**
 - *welcome back and thank you to Parent Council.
 - *follow our Instagram account! Several teachers are involved in running this.
 - *class sizes are within reason this, however grade 5 has 29 students each room with EA supports. Student population continually changes throughout the start of the year, approximate population is 433, down from the projected 453.
 - *Budget is based on \$5000 per student and funding is based on the school population.
 - * No longer able to support the English for the early language learners due to funding.
 - * Parents will be invited to *some* assemblies due to the lower school population (gym has a maximum capacity of 470). Stay tuned.
 - * discussed the AWESOME ACADIAN philosophy and community.
 - * "Week at a Glance" (WAG) is sent by email and informs parents of what is going on for the current week.
 - * October 9 will be picture day, volunteers are needed! If you volunteer you will receive a discount on your child's photos. November 5th will be retakes.
 - * Grade 6: school vaccination day on October 14.
 - the Terry Fox run will be Friday, September 12 with a guest speaker who is a local and an advocate on cancer. This will be virtual and he will be sharing his experiences and importance of cancer research. Asking children to bring a "toonie for Terry". Fundraising last year raised \$688! The school is hoping to beat this record.
 - *Welcome back BBQ is scheduled for September 18 from 4:30 – 7pm. Teachers will help pass out hotdogs and then be available in their rooms from 5:30-7 for families to check out the classroom and meet the teachers. Volunteers would be graciously accepted.

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*CBE regulations state that we can only do fun lunches 1 time/month, this is new from last year.

*Please join the parent council Facebook Page and follow along. You will find school information, events etc. on this page. Be sure to answer the questions or the request will, unfortunately, be declined.

- **Steps from last meeting:** Welcome back BBQ date has been decided, Sept. 18/25
- **New Business:** Secretary/Fundraising coordinator are in need of volunteers for these positions.
* October 8/25 would be our AGM at which time you can vote in new council.
- **Next meeting Date:** Wednesday October 8th, 2025 6:30pm
- **Adjourned:** by Jen Peters, 6:54pm

ACADIA PARENT ADVISORY SOCIETY AGENDA

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Time: 7:30pm

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2. Meeting called to order by: Jen Peters

3. Approval of the Sept 2025 agenda:

Motioned: Jen Peters

Seconded:Jill Marven

4. Approval of May 2025 minutes:

Motioned: Jen Peters

Seconded:Jill Marven

5. Business arising from last meeting:

*Parent council typically allots money to teachers for them to use in the classrooms to enhance learning. This amount is usually \$100 per teacher. Is there enough in the general account to support giving \$200 per teacher? Yes.

Motion: Jen Peters motions for \$200 per teacher and \$300 for Ms. Arruda. Mike S. seconded.

6. New Business:

- **President:** Laser Line Marking→ action item for principal Bartel. Laser line marking is permanent marking on the tarmacs that encompasses different games for the students.
- **Secretary:** n/a; looking to fill this position, currently available.
- **Treasurer:**
 - General Account: \$16,508.31 however, forecasting about 5800.00 to be coming out for past expenses.
 - Casino Account: \$67,841.03 however we have not yet received the deposit from our last casino, which typically is around \$70,000. As per AGLC guidelines, this money is regulated on how it is spent and the timeframe in which it is spent. Parent council and discuss ideas throughout the year. Suggestion put forth by Mike. S would be consideration for an 'Outdoor Classroom'.
 - Action-→ principal Bartel will look at getting some quotes and other related information.

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- Fields trips: funding to support this from parent council would typically be one bus per class at \$350. Jen Peters motions \$7000 to go toward bussing for these field trips. Jill Marven seconds. Motion passed.
*Motion: \$5000 for Ms.Watson/Library for books and resources.
Jen P. motions, Mike S. seconds. Motion passed.

*Layers of literacy program cost is \$1500. Jen P. motions and Mike S, seconds. Motion passed.

*Root robots, K to grade 6 will benefit from these and administration is asking to buy each class a set. This assist students with coding and math literacy. Check it out here: [https://code.irobot.com /#/](https://code.irobot.com/#/)
Mrs. Hatch demonstrated the robot in the meeting noting that it will attach to a white board or work on the floor. Administration is asking for a set for each class, totalling approximately \$10,500-\$11,000 as the last quote was in June.
Jen P. motions and Loretta M. seconds the motion. Motion passed.

- **Fundraising Coordinator:**

*Purdy's- will likely be the winter fundraiser this year. Healthy Hunger ongoing once per month: Coco Brooks, Jugo Juice and Subway are the preferred vendors. Jill M. will investigate Little Caesar's.

*Created by Kids Art Fundraiser: Launch of October 14 and final products will be delivered the week of November 24-28.

Jill M. will investigate a popcorn fundraiser through Kernels. The school has done this in the past.

- **Casino:** casinos happen every 18months and it is the school's largest fundraiser.

Next meeting:

Date: *Wednesday Oct 8th 2025, 7:30pm*

7. Adjourned: 7:27pm