

DRBS School Development Association Minutes

March 18, 2025

Virtual meeting called to order at 7:48 p.m.

Virtual attendees: Jamie-Lynn Leci; Natasha Monk; Jenn Lowry; Lin Cheng; Jacqui Lund; Nick Berdusco; Diana Lasso; Chris Kozelj; Andrea Suarez; Theresa Phan; Miguel Urrutia; Stone Q; Osho Edik; Ahmeed; and Kristen.

Motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting held on February 11, 2025 and the agenda for this meeting was made by Natasha Monk and seconded by Jacqui Lund . Motion carried.

Vice Chair Update

Nick would like to extend a big thank you to Teresa and everyone who contributed to Casino's success. This year's event was noticeably smoother and more accessible to the public compared to previous years.

Special Events Coordinator Update

Andrea reported slow ticket sales and low awareness of the movie event. In response, Jamie-Lynn offered to print flyers and have her children distribute them at Summit. Miguel also volunteered to hand out flyers during the morning Hug 'n' Go sessions.

Casino Coordinator Update

The casino fundraising event was a success, thanks to the dedication of all volunteers. The event was expected to generate approximately \$70,000 for the 2025-2026 school year, according to budget. However, the final payout will be calculated and distributed in early Q1, around April.

Theresa inquired about the council's opinion on potentially moving the casino venue from Cowboys to Elbow to alleviate parking challenges. This topic can be revisited when she prepares the next application.

Treasurer Update

Natasha will provide an update in April on the casino fundraising results. As the school's primary fundraiser, it relied on a small group of volunteers, with many parents unaware of its importance. For the next event, we will attempt to improve communication and awareness to encourage folks to volunteer.

She also shared financial statements for the period ending February 28, 2025, highlighting cash flow and outstanding invoices.

More parent donations were received beyond what was needed to purchase food for teachers during the parent conferences, therefore Natasha coordinated the purchase of Starbucks gift cards for the teachers.

Digital Sign Board

Motion to approve the purchasing of a sign for a maximum of \$1000 was made by Jamie-Lynn Leci and seconded by Chris Kozelj. Motion carried.

Miguel will research options and will share with council members for approval.

Meeting adjourned at 8:26 pm.