RT Alderman School Council
Annual General Meeting
October 14, 2026
6pm - 7pm

Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Ashlin Russel, Lindsay Otterson , Jennifer Kidd, Lisa McBain, Jennifer Laight, Cara Polujan, Brenda Lewis, Kirk Newman, Amberly Dooley, Sarah Long, Michele Fugiel Gartner, Roz, Christy Berscht, Danyelle Kaluski, Sean Gosling, Mai Ty

Meeting Minutes	Presenter
Call to Order/Quorum (1 minute) at 6:01pm	Ashlin
Welcome and Introductions (5 minutes)	Ashlin
Review/Approval of the Agenda (1 minute) Motion to Approve: Jennifer Kidd Second: Jennifer Laight	Ashlin
Review and Approval of last meeting minutes (1 minute) Motion to Approve: Lindsay Otterson Second: Jennifer Laight	Ashlin
RTA Updates (25 minutes) 1. Learning about our construction program and tools a. Mr Gosling presented the Grade 9 construction CTF showing various projects that the students have made so far this year. b. Ms Lewis highlighted that Mr Gosling has put a lot of extra time into securing extra funding, equipment and taking extra courses to be able to support the construction class. c. This is an example of what the funds from Parent Association that are put towards CTF 2. School Updates a. Mr. Newman expressed gratitude for some specific Parent Council and Parent Association sponsored initiatives. b. Ms Lewis provided the following updates: i. With updated school numbers, the Education Assistant's hours have been increased to 30	Sean Gosling Brenda, Kirk and

hours per week. ii. School athletics are well underway - cross country has wrapped up, basketball going strong and wrestling started up this week. iii. Multiple club options underway iv. First STEM challenge of the year on Oct 30th v. CBE Wellbeing survey - all parents have received an email regarding consent for students to participate in the survey. vi. Remembrance Day Assemblies - Nov 10th. vii. Science Alternative LL Planning - seeing an intentionality this year between the various Science program schools in the city to create alignment between the programs. viii. Student Development Plan (SDP) - in year 3 of the school's SDP - improving reading and writing, and through this, increase student wellness • Review of the results will be shared at a coming parent council meeting.	
Chair Report (5 Minutes) 1. Recap and what's to come a. Meet the teacher night - offered coffee, juice and cookies as families came into the school for the evening. Thank you to Jennifer Laight for getting that going. b. Canteen - have had two evening sport events at the school so far this year with Grade 9 Leadership students supporting running the canteens. Lindsay and Ashlin have been supporting as parents. Made $120 so far for the General Account. Square has been mostly used to date. Starting to see some students bring cash and need to consider if we should have a small float available. The next canteen is October 28th. c. Casino - Over 80% of positions have already been filled. A follow up email will be sent to secure further volunteers. Application will be submitted this week. d. Connection and Collaboration with other school councils - Lord Beaverbrook hosting a speaker on Understanding Teen Mental Health on October 20th that they are opening up to RTA parents.	Ashlin

e. Lindsay Otterson reached out to the Girls Leadership Team at the Women's Centre of Calgary. They have offered to run free lunch and learn sessions for girls at the school in early December. 2. We encourage families to connect with us: rtaparentsociety@gmail.com or instagram @rtaschoolpta	
Election into Roles (5 Minutes) Ashlin Russel, Lindsay Otterson, Jennifer Kidd, and Lisa McBain resigned from their roles. Seeking nominations from the floor for roles for the next year. Chair: Jennifer Laight motion to nominate Ashlin to the role of chair. Seconded by Danyelle Kaluski Motion carried. Vice Chair: Lisa McBain motion to nominate Lindsay to the role of vice chair. Lindsay declines the nomination. Lindsay nominates Jennifer Laight to the role of vice chair. Second by Lisa McBain Motion carried. Treasurer: Jennifer Laight nominates Jennifer Kidd to the role of treasurer. Second by Ashlin Russel. Motion carried. Secretary: Jennifer Laight nominates Lisa McBain to role of secretary. Second by Lindsay Otterson. Motion carried. Looking for someone to fill the Key Communicator role. This role would involve attending CBE wide council of school council meetings and reporting back to Parent Council. If there is anyone interested in filling this role, please reach out.	Ashlin
Bylaws and Objectives (1 Minute)	Ashlin
Next Meeting: November 18, 2026 6pm	Ashlin
Meeting Adjournment: 6:58pm	