

Beaverlodge Home and School Association (BHSA)

Minutes: March 4, 2026

In attendance: S. Locke, E. Irvine, L. Wiebe, S. Peever, M. Turner, R. Gerchev, K. Roteliuk, E. Blake, M. Sakiyama, K. Probetts

Call to order: 6:02pm

1. **Call to order and Welcome.**
2. **Review and approval of Agenda** - Motioned by M. Turner, seconded by E. Irvine. All in favour, motion carried.
3. **Review and approval of Minutes**
 - a. Amendments made to phrase with objective commentary, rather than appear that BHSA has a voting authority on these matters;
 - i. Concert Debrief
 - Feedback was collected on the Winter concert format and donations.
 - Action: BHSA and school will discuss donation collection prior to the next concert or community event.
 - ii. Kindergarten Graduation
 - A parent inquired about a kindergarten farewell.
 - Action: S. Peever to consult with Kindergarten teacher.
 - b. Motioned by S. Locke, seconded by M. Turner. All in favour, motion carried.
4. **Admin Report** - see attached: BHSA Admin Report - March 2026
 - a. Question submitted by a parent inquiring as to the offerings of extra-curricular clubs, why they change or are no longer offered.
 - b. Extra-curriculars are volunteer-driven by teachers and sometimes are based on student-led initiatives with changing or competing demands that affect their ability to remain offered.
5. **Treasurer's Report** - see attached BHSA Treasurer's Report - March 2026
 - a. Renewal of Audio Cine Films Inc (ACF) license for movies.
 - i. Have recently experienced a few occasions where the movie service was not working and tech support was not available.
 - ii. S. Peever confirmed that Criterion was a free streaming service provided within the school division that could be used as a replacement.
 - iii. **BHSA will not renew Audio Cine Films Inc 9 (ACF) license and will use Criterion instead for movie nights.** Motioned by S. Locke, seconded by E. Irvine. All in favour, motion carried.
 - b. Teacher Appreciation
 - i. Individual party trays from Cinnaholic were purchased for teachers and staff and delivered by students on Feb 11, 2026 to each individual. Receiving a "sweet surprise" was appreciated by all.

- c. Movie Nights
 - i. Attendance and volunteer support is decreasing at these events and funds raised are consistently under \$150.
 - ii. Decision made to reduce offerings to two per year going forward.
 - iii. **Action: S. Locke will poll the BHSA parent committee to garner ability to staff the movie night of March 19, 2026. If volunteer ability is low, the movie night will be cancelled. Notice of decision to be made by early next week.**
 - iv. **Action: If movie night proceeds, S. Locke to provide S. Peever with 3 movie choices for vote by students.**

- d. BHSA donation of funds to support school enhancement
 - i. Coding robots were selected as a school enhancement suggestion that provided a wide-range of opportunities for most students.
 - ii. The school must purchase the product by March 31, 2026 for the current fiscal year-end budget.
 - iii. **Action: S. Peever to select the appropriate robots to be purchased on behalf of the school.**
 - iv. **BHSA provides funds of up to \$1000 dollars to Beaverlodge School for the purchase of the chosen robots before March 31, 2026.** Motioned by E. Irvine, seconded by M. Turner. All in favour, motion carried.

6. Fundraising

- a. An online poll to the parent community seeking interest in fundraising opportunities was sent out in last Friday's School Bulletin. Responses were lower than hoped, will look to resend again.

- b. Responses indicated an interest in a second fun lunch per month, and suggested more variety than only Pizza offerings.
 - i. K. Probetts volunteered to take the Food Handler's Certificate and prepare hotdog lunch offerings.
 - ii. **BHSA will fund the cost of the Food Handler's Certificate for K. Probetts and a hotdog lunch option will be offered through Munch-a-Lunch.** Motioned by L. Wiebe, seconded by S. Locke. All in favour, motion carried.

- c. New fundraising initiatives were shared by M. Turner and M. Sakiyama. A decision was made to form a Fundraising Sub-Committee of members to identify, select and dedicate efforts for BHSA to participate in and set goals going forward.
 - i. **Fundraising Sub-Committee volunteers include: S. Locke, M. Turner, M. Sakiyama, K. Probetts and R. Gerchev.**

- d. Yearbook
 - i. Design and theme has been chosen.
 - ii. Selling period will be April 6 - May 6, 2026.
 - iii. E. Irvine requested a write-up from the Principal and the BHSA (~ 150 words) due April 15, 2026.
 - iv. As per contract, the vendor requires a 50% deposit on minimum orders paid this March. P. Janciw is consulting with the vendor to ask if this fee will be waived as in previous years. TBD.

- e. April 24, 2026 Family Event
 - i. Reviewed the cost of Carnival game rentals and the inventory needed for prizes and materials which identified the cost of such an event would be out of scope of available budget.
 - ii. Redesigned idea to be centered on a “Sport-A-Thon” focus providing different participation stations and encouraging students to seek pledge amounts for participation towards fundraising efforts. A small raffle of prizes could be available based on pledge amounts raised.
 - iii. An Event Planning Sub-Committee will be formed to work through the planning and action items to offer this event, information and volunteer requests will be brought back to the larger BHSA committee.
 - iv. **Action: Event Planning Sub-Committee includes; S. Locke, M. Turner, M. Sakiyama, K. Probetts, R. Gerchev, L. Wiebe**
 - **Other volunteers welcome, let S. Locke know of interest to be added to planning chats.**
7. Participation in BHSA for 2026/2027
- a. Notice of elections and positions available is sent out to the larger community 30 days before voting.
 - b. Voting for elected positions is at June 2026 meeting
 - c. New positions can be created such as Fundraising Chair, Event Planning Chair, etc. S. Locke encouraged thinking on these opportunities and consideration of joining the committee in an elected position.
8. Items tabled for next meeting
- a. Kindergarten farewell event

Meeting adjourned: 7:45pm