

Pineridge School School Council Annual General Meeting Minutes

October 5, 2026

1. Call to Order
 - a. The meeting was called to order by A. Hopkins at 6:05pm, and a quorum was present.
2. Welcome and Introductions
 - a. A. Hopkins announced that this was an annual general meeting.
 - b. Those in attendance in person and online were welcomed to introduce themselves.
3. Approval of the Agenda
 - a. A. Unger asked that the name on the agenda be updated to reflect our council name change.
 - b. Motion: That the agenda be approved as presented. Moved by R. Moore. Seconded by G. Moore.
4. Approval of the Minutes
 - a. Motion: That the minutes from the meeting on September 14, be approved as presented. Moved by R. Moore. Seconded by G. Moore.
 - b. B. Goldie asked if she can post the minutes to the website as soon as they are received or if she should wait for any possible corrections. She can continue to post them right away.
5. Principal's Report
 - a. B. Goldie reported the following:
 - i. There are currently 333 students enrolled. The school was projected to have 330 students.
 - ii. This is Mr. Row's last week at Pineridge. The new acting assistant principal, Mr. Andrew Cull, will join the team on Tuesday.
 - iii. The physical education position has been filled by Mr. Allan Diewold.
 - iv. The leadership students have planned the first spirit day - Anything But a Waterbottle.
 - v. In June, one of the slides at the playground developed a crack. Due to the age of the structure, it will not be replaced. The playground was built in 2000. It is time to start the process of fundraising for a new playground. It will take about 3-5 years. The cost of a new playground is approximately \$400,000-\$500,000. B. Hadden and B. Goldie looked into the process for a new playground. She proposed

that we continue with plans to fund a residency and field trips with our Alberta Gaming, Liquor & Cannabis funds, but use some of the funds for a new playground.

1. Can we fund a new slide while we wait for a new playground? No. There is no new part to fit it, and no used parts available.
2. Can the school apply for grants? Let the Parent Society know if there are some grants for us to apply for. There is a \$100,000 matching grant.
3. B. Goldie and A. Hopkins need to sign off to start the process.
4. Parents are challenged to get information from friends and family to assist in funding the playground.
5. A. Hopkins and R. Moore will attend the Community of School Councils Meeting on October 22 to look for fundraising ideas.
6. A fundraising page can be set up through CBE's fundraising partner, EducationMatters.
7. Can we pick who replaces the playground? There are four CBE approved vendors. We ask three of them for tenders, and choose one. The School Council gets a say in what this playground will look like.
8. M. van der Hoek will connect with the Pineridge Community Association for funding support.
9. B. Goldie will invite Dean McTavish, the Playground Inspector Foreman, to our next meeting.

b. A. Row reported the following:

- i. There will be a fine arts showcase organized by W. Cole. Based on feedback, it will be on December 3 from 6-7pm. More information will be shared at our next meeting. They would like financial support for decorating.

c. Questions

- i. Do families pay for bus registration? Yes, all the forms can be found on the CBE website, including waivers.

6. Treasurer's Report

- a. A. Unger reported that the remaining balance of casino funds to be spent by February 12, 2027 is \$22,769.78.
- b. A. Hopkins suggested looking into an extension of funds from AGLC if we want to save some funding for the new playground.

- c. B. Goldie will look into financial asks for field trips that we will spend the money on before February.

7. Old Business

a. Mental Health/Bullying

- i. B. Goldie looked into the Canadian Youth Speakers Bureau to speak on mental health/bullying/resilience. They have lots of dates available, what is our budget? Maybe it should be on the low end, so we can save for the new playground, but we still want to equip students. B. Goldie does not want any speaker dates later than February, so between November and February would be best. She will ask the CYSB for a budget range of \$1,500 - \$3,000.

b. ATB Vote

- i. A. Hopkins informed the council that we are planning to switch banks, but the vote will happen in the society meeting.

c. New Community Rink

- i. The new rink at the Pineridge Community Centre is complete and open. We would like the school to look into utilizing it, and to educate families of its existence. If we don't use it for ice skating, we can use it to play basketball or ball hockey.

d. Grade 6 Skiing Vote

- i. The cost is \$3750/day. Does the school need us to fund all or nothing? No, part of the cost could go to parents.
- ii. We will vote at the society meeting.

e. Residencies

- i. Does Mr. Cole have a plan for the fine arts showcase in December, or should we pick a residency that offers a final performance? W. Cole has a plan, so we won't add a residency performance.
- ii. Patroller Update
 - 1. B. Goldie has not heard back from AMA. She will follow up.

f. There is no New Business

g. Elections

- i. Secretary - A. Unger nominated M. van der Hoek. She accepted. Elected by acclamation.
- ii. Treasurer - A. Hopkins nominated A. Unger. She accepted. Elected by acclamation.
- iii. Vice-Chairperson - A. Hopkins nominated R. Moore. She accepted. Elected by acclamation.

- iv. Chairperson - R. Moore nominated A. Hopkins. She accepted. Elected by acclamation.
- v. Director-At-Large - A. Hopkins nominated G. Moore, and L. Tavernini. They accepted. R. Moore nominated S. Sturrock. She accepted.
 - 1. This position helps meet quorum, and is included in email votes.
- h. Questions
 - i. A. Hopkins commented that we did a great job with the school at the Terry Fox Run.
 - ii. B. Goldie commented that the Open House was well attended.
 - 1. Parents noted at the school council table that cultural activities and field trips are important to them.
 - iii. A fundraising idea is to have an inexpensive Christmas market at the evening performance in December for children to shop for gifts for their loved ones. Could we have children come in early to shop? Yes, and after the performance too. B. Goldie suggested setting it up in a classroom rather than the hallway.
- i. The date of the next meeting was confirmed as November 2, 2026.
- j. The meeting was adjourned at 6:46pm.

Pineridge Parent Society Annual General Meeting Minutes

October 5, 2026

1. The meeting was called to order by A. Hopkins at 6:54pm, and a quorum was present.
2. Approval of the Minutes
 - a. Motion: That the minutes of the meeting held on September 14 be approved as presented. Moved by R. Moore. Seconded by G. Moore.
3. Treasurer's Report
 - a. A. Unger reported the balances of both accounts. As of August 3, 2026, the casino account balance is \$113,407.03. As of July 20, 2026, the general account balance is \$9,397.61.
 - b. A. Hopkins gave explanations on how the money in the different accounts can be used, and what they have been used for.
4. Old Business
 - a. Votes and Clarifications by Email
 - i. An email was sent by A. Hopkins on September 18, 2026: "Please reply back and vote on the approval of spending \$145 on bracelets for the Terry Fox Run accomplishment prize by Saturday evening."
 1. 3 - Yes; 1 - No
 2. R. Moore motioned to buy the bracelets for the Terry Fox at the cost of \$145. M. van der Hoek seconded the motion.
 - b. A. Hopkins contacted D. Thomas for clarification on the cost of WinSport. He confirmed the cost of \$3,750.00 covers all grade 6 students. We currently have 59 grade 6 students, which works out to approximately \$63.55 per student per day.
 - c. School Sign
 - i. The school sign needs to be updated to include no school on Mondays, October 12 & 19. R. Moore will change the sign.
 - d. Spirit Wear
 - i. R. Moore received a request from the teachers to sell spirit wear again. Do we want to do it? When? Could we pair it with the December evening event for in person sales? We could start sales in late November or early December. Should we use the same person for sales as last time? No objections. Last time we collected cash. We can open an account at ATB without closing our account at RBC. Let's aim to do that in October or early November. R.

Moore will look into the cost of shirts and we will discuss it at our next meeting.

5. New Business

a. Pick a Donut Day

- i. We could sell Halloween donuts on October 30th. Is that too soon? We could do November 6 before Fall Break, or the Monday/Tuesday right before the break. We could also do any Friday. E-Transfers are not necessary for this fundraiser. We could do cash collection on Thursdays October 8 & 15, contingent on the bakery being available for October 30. Otherwise we will plan for November 4.
- ii. How much are donuts? The cost to us is \$2, and we sell them for \$4, and purchase paper bags.

b. Hot Lunch

- i. Students in the grade four class have requested fried chicken.
- ii. Some Healthy Hunger suggestions from the open house were - fruits and more vegetables would be good, spaghetti, and Pizza Hut.
- iii. A. Hopkins will look for a restaurant for a pasta option.

c. Grade 6 Vote for WinSport

- i. This is for the students to learn to ski/snowboard. There are 59 grade 6 students, including EES. Discussion was had.
- ii. Motion: To spend up to \$5,000 for grade 6 to go to WinSport. Moved by R. Moore. Seconded by G. Moore. Carried.

d. ATB Vote

- i. There is a general consensus to switch banks.
- ii. Motion: We move our banking to ATB. Moved by R. Moore. Seconded by G. Moore. Carried.

e. A. Hopkins reviewed the residency options. M. van der Hoek reiterated the new need discussed at the council meeting for a new playground. A. Unger will attach the residency options to the meeting minutes. Instead, the options were discussed in person, as A. Unger would not be sending the meeting minutes out for a couple of weeks. A. Hopkins will ask D. Thomas and W. Cole to look into the residency options of Ninja, Circus Arts, and Drumline.

f. Email Votes and In-person Votes

- i. Discussion was had on how to interpret our bylaws. We decided that anyone can participate in the discussion. The motion must be made by an executive member, including directors. The second

must be done by an executive member, including directors. Those voting must be members who have filled out a membership form. An amendment will be made to our bylaws including directors to be able to make the motion.

6. Elections for Society

- a. Secretary - A. Unger nominated M. van der Hoek. She accepted. Elected by acclamation.
- b. Treasurer - A. Hopkins nominated A. Unger. She accepted. Elected by acclamation.
- c. Vice-Chairperson - A. Hopkins nominated R. Moore. She accepted. Elected by acclamation.
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7. The date of the next meeting was confirmed as November 2, 2026.

8. The meeting was adjourned at 7:44pm.