

Minutes – MidSun School Education Enhancement Society (MSEES) Meeting + AGM

Tuesday, September 23, 2025

Recorder (1): Jessica W

Attendees (18): Kristine C-G, Jamie C, Erica M, Arlys S, Shalene C, Sim S, Susan S, Derrick M, Christine B, Amanda O, Karla S, Dallace P, Adam P, Danny Y, Tiana L, Erin L, Lisa S, Jeanne F

Staff Attendee (1): Charlene Kushniruk (Principal)

Meeting called to order: 7:31pm

Motion made by Amanda O to approve the September 23, 2025 MSEES meeting agenda. Seconded by Danny Y. Carried.

Motion made by Danny Y to approve the MSEES meeting minutes from May 27, 2025. Seconded by Tiana L. Carried.

1. AGM 2025-2026

Motion made by Jamie C that Kristine Chalmers-Gibbs be acclaimed as Chair of the MidSun School Education Enhancement Society for the 2025-2026 school year.

Seconded by Danny Y. No discussion. All present (19) voted in favour. Carried.

Motion made by Kristine C to acclaim the remaining nominees to the MEES Executive for the 2025-2026 school year:

- A. Vice-Chair: Jamie Carter
- B. Secretary: Jennifer Schell
- C. Co-Treasurers: Erin Loyd and Adam Parker

Seconded by Danny Y. No discussion. All present (19) voted in favour. Carried.

Kristine C appointed the Volunteer Casino Chair (Shelly C), Volunteer Coordinator (TBD), Fun Lunch Coordinator (Amanda Olson), Staff Appreciation Coordinators (Danny Yip and Lisa Shearer).

2. Treasurer Update

- A. Erin L advised the group that the account balances are:
 - (i) Cash Account: \$33,404.53 (\$10,329.13 reserved)
 - (ii) Casino Account: \$145,211.54 (\$50,428.97 reserved)

- B. Kristine C advised the group that the last casino made \$88,241 and reminded the attendees what the money can be used for (specifically, to support the general student population).
 - C. The Healthy Hunger fundraiser made \$6,026.97 in 2024-2025.
 - D. The RaffleBox 50/50 fundraiser made a profit of 2,452.50 minus fees.
3. Chair Update
- A. Kristine C discussed and updated the group that the *Just Ask!* Campaign has raised approximately \$1200 so far for 2025-2026.
 - B. Kristine C asked for volunteers to work the council table at 'meet the teacher night' from 6-7:30pm. Two parent attendees volunteered.
 - C. Kristine C discussed the Alberta Education Grant. She has confirmed guest speaker, Angela Murphy, for a joint presentation with other local schools on Wednesday, October 22 from 6:30-8pm. If there is a teacher strike, the speaker will be rescheduled.
4. Coordinator/Committee Updates
- A. Amanda O noted that the Healthy Hunger website is set up and live for the 2025-2026 school year. Fun lunches will run every two weeks. Reminders will be added to the weekly newsletter, the MidSun Messenger. Ideally, we need 12 volunteers for each lunch. Amanda O doesn't anticipate needing more volunteers, but will send an email if that changes
 - B. Shelly C noted that the paperwork has been submitted for the next casino. We are waiting for dates, but it will likely be in Q2 2026.
 - C. Kristine C reminded the group that there is an ongoing fundraiser at Cobbs Bread at the Shawnessy and 130th Avenue locations. Just mentioned MidSun and a percentage of your order will be allocated to our account.
5. Funding Requests
- A. Kristine C discussed using approximately \$1500 from the cash account for incidentals and overages (flight, food, gift) relating to the guest speaker in October.
- Motion made by Kristine C to use \$1500 from cash account for incidentals relating to the guest speaker tentatively scheduled for October 2025. Seconded by Jess W. No discussion. All present (17) voted in favour. Carried.
- B. Kristine C asked for approval to use \$100 from the cash account to buy candy and support materials for the parent council table at the 'meet the teacher night'.

Motion made by Kristine C to reserve up to \$100 of funds from the cash account for candy and support supplies at Meet the Teacher night. Seconded by Amanda O. No discussion. All present (17) voted in favour. Carried.

- C. Kristine C would like to use up to \$12,000 (from casino account) for bussing split evenly throughout the school year, for all grades and the blue pod program (complex learning). After a lot of discussion, the group eventually came to an agreement to use \$1000 per group (G7, G8, G9 + Blue Pod).

Motion made by Kristine C to reserve up to \$4000 of funds from the casino account for bussing. Seconded by Amanda O. All present (17) voted in favour. Carried.

- D. Kristine C would also like up to \$500 from the cash account for staff appreciate monthly gifts.

Motion made by Kristine C to reserve up to \$500 of funds from the general for staff appreciation. Seconded by Erika L. All present (17) voted in favour. Carried.

- E. Kristine C would like to request up to \$850 for a staff meal during Meet the Teacher night.

Motion made by Kristine C to reserve up to \$850 of funds from the cash account for a staff meal during Meet the Teacher night. Seconded by Jamie C. All present (17) voted in favour. Carried.

- F. Kristine C would like to request up to \$700 for the Halloween event (DJ, pumpkins, decorations, and candy).

Motion made by Kristine C to reserve up to \$700 of funds from the cash account for the annual Halloween event. Seconded by Jamie C. All present (17) voted in favour. Carried.

- G. Kristine C discussed one underpayment of \$50.27 for photography equipment (originally from the casino account) after receiving the final bill.

Motion made by Kristine C for \$50.27 from the casino account to complete payment due. Seconded by Jamie. All present (17) voted in favour. Carried.

6. New Business / Open Table

No new business.

Meeting adjourned: 8:43pm

Next meeting Tuesday, November 25, 2025