

Alexander Ferguson Elementary School Society AGM

Thursday, June 12, 2025

Society Members

Membership is optional. One Society membership per household.

2025-26 Board of Directors

President:	Natasha V.
Vice President:	VACANT
Secretary:	Jenn D.
Treasurer:	Nicole F.
Fundraising Director:	Lindsey P.
Director Appointment:	Christine J.

Fundraising Coordinators

Casino Coordinator: **VACANT**

Attendees (20): 1) Helen Sharpe, 2) Matthew Littel, 3) Natasha V., 4) Christine J., 5) Lindsey P., 6) Ashley B., 7) Satoko B., 8) Courtney J.

1) Call to Order: Natasha called the meeting to order at 7:50 p.m. MDT

2) Approval of Agenda and May 8, 2025 AGM Meeting Minutes

Natasha: motion to approve the agenda. Second: Ashley. Motion carried.

Natasha: motion to approve the minutes from the May 8, 2025 AGM. Second: Christine. Motion carried.

3) Financials and Fundraising Discussion

a) Account Summaries

i) Fundraising \$61,575.96

- 2024/25 learning commons Accrued costs ~\$8.5k (shelves)

ii) Casino \$28,065.41

- 2024/25 RFF Accrued costs ~\$26.7k (haven't cleared the latest cheque yet for \$17k)
- Received 2027 Q1 slotting letter! Will receive exact date in 2026.

iii) OSC \$132,807.99

- Accrued summer payroll, benefits, bills ~\$20k
- Large effort put forward towards next year's budget and projecting a profit next year of +\$5k. Some things in the program changing with the changes to the kindergarten program moving to only one AFS morning class.

b) RFF Spending Updates: 2024-25 Approved RFF \$50k

Fundraising dollars: Spent to Date = \$8,121.20 / Accruals ~\$8.5k

- Agendas \$1,900; **Spent \$1,695**
- Learning Commons Upgrade: \$15,000; **Spent \$6,426.20**

AGLC dollars \$33k: Spent to Date = \$23.3k / Accruals ~\$9

- Jube school artist residency \$14,500; **spent \$13,125**
- Sports residences \$6,600; **Spent *Fit Set Ninja* \$4,064**
- In house field trips \$1,000 / Field Trips \$3,500; **spent \$3,501**
 - ***Grades 2/3/4 Spent Wet Felting \$1,720***
 - ***Grades 1/2/3 Ducklings \$680***
 - ***Whole school reptile presentation \$676***
 - ***Grades 1/2/3 Zoo field trip \$425***
 - ***Teachers Pet \$XX***
- Learning Commons \$2,750 (Additional books); **Spent \$718**
 - ***Additional Books \$XX***
 - ***AGLC Approved shelving and organization \$718***
 - ***More organizational materials \$XX***
- Adaptive Equipment \$750 + Math/Music/PE/Classroom/Science supplies \$2,000; **Spent \$1,404**
 - ***PE Mats \$1,404***
 - ***School laminator \$XX***
 - ***Science purchases \$XX***
 - ***Digital Piano \$XX***
- Elders/Knowledge Keeper \$2,000; **Spent \$515**
- Gully Day \$0

Overall accounts all look healthy and some spend categories were under budget and reallocated to other subcategories within the AGLC approved budget. The overall spend will be within the approved request for funds and some bills will carry into fall of 2025. Accruals will be held until all bills from the 2024-25 school year are cleared.

c) Fundraising Financial Discussion / Update

a. Fundraising events for 2024/25:

- Family dance update (break even, net loss -\$7!))
- Staff Appreciation update (budgeted -\$350 – huge thank you to Marcello's for donating an additional \$210 so we can stay within our budget!!)
- June 18th all inclusive Pizza party – providing pizza and juice for everyone (regardless of payment). Also, we had a Grade 1 student from Ms. Willow's class who on her own fundraised \$77 to put towards this, she is amazing!
- June 24th Grade 6 yearbooks & farewell (-\$400)

- Year end popsicles (-\$200)
- **Sept Welcome event discussion (movie night) on Saturday Sept 13th, 2025 – Date to be confirmed**

- d) September Welcome Event / Movie Night Funding Request for \$250
- Shaganappi Community Association has agreed to host and cover costs for this event. The AFESS is requesting funding for flyer printing for the school to include in the Welcome Packages in September and potential miscellaneous costs. The council and society will support event planning and prep, popcorn donation and packing from cineplex as well as organize the food trucks.

**Natasha: motion to approve \$250 for the September welcome event / movie night.
Second: Ashley. All in favour. Motion carried.**

4) 2025/2026 Priority List Funding Update

2025/26 RFF = \$41,750

Fundraising dollars: \$1,750

- Agendas \$1,750

AGLC dollars: \$35,000 + \$5,000 = \$40,000

- Whole school artist residency \$13,000
- Sports residences \$6,000
- Learning Commons \$3,750 (Additional books)
- Field Trip/ In School Experience support \$4,000 (An amount will be allotted to each class)
- Math/Music/Phys Ed/Classroom/Science supplies \$2,500
- Elders/Knowledge Keepers \$2,000
- Performances \$1000
- Adaptive Equipment \$1750
- Gully Day \$1000
- Biennial (every 2 years) Grade 5/6 Experience (to be confirmed) \$5,000

Discussion about plans for next year. The approved numbers for fundraising vs AGLC are firm, but the subcategories within the AGLC dollars are targets and open to flexibility. Note there is \$1000 allotted for Gully Day vs. \$0 this year as the school is looking to hire someone to put on a scavenger hunt for the kids.

5) Out of School Care (OSC) Update

Another discussion about the budget plus staff changes for next year. Aiming for all program staff contracts to be signed before the end of June.

6) Open Society Board Positions – Vice President & Casino Director

We would really like to find a Casino Director next year to be prepared for the 2027 Q1 Casino.

7) New Business/Open Dialogue

Nothing to discuss.

8) Next Meeting Date: September 25, 2025 following School Council

Please consider signing up now for next year's membership!

9) Adjournment at 8:06 p.m. MDT.

Society Bylaws found at: [AFESS Revised Bylaw May 252023.pdf \(cbe.ab.ca\)](#)

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MEMBERSHIP: 2025-26 Alex Ferguson Elementary Society Membership form:
<https://forms.gle/TfX53vkqSy4sjPwp7> (Only one registration per school year needed)



Ongoing Fundraisers:

- **Skip the Depot:** Select Alex Ferguson for a donation at check out:
<https://skipthedepot.com/>
- **Mabels Labels:** Select Alex Ferguson as your organization when printing labels:
<https://mabelslabels.ca/>
- **Fundscrip** (purchase gift cards and a % goes back to the school)
<https://www.fundscrip.com/support-a-group/PX72UB>