

# Brooks 2025 Dry Grad Meeting Minutes

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January 7, 2025 - 7 pm

7:03 pm the meeting was called to order, 12 members total in attendance.

Committee Members Present: Lindsay Carlos (Co-Chair), Janelle Behan (Vice Chair), Ashley Johnson (Treasurer), Teresa Reimer (Secretary) Absent: Amy Vizzutti (Co-Chair)

**Minutes** of the meeting Dec 3rd, 2024 were reviewed.

It was noted that the heading should say Minutes and not Agenda.

It was noted that the email in the Budget section was incorrect. It should be [dryprompowellriver@gmail.com](mailto:dryprompowellriver@gmail.com)

Motion to Approve with the above changes

**APPROVED**

## **Budget / Financial Update:**

Total Bank account is \$9,985.88

Burgers & Taco's brought in \$1,052.00

Gift wrapping Total was \$678.80

Insurance was paid and the total was \$1,223.00

## **Old Business:**

### ○ **Dry Grad Registration:**

- 12 Registrations have been completed & 10 fees have been received
- It was discussed that if there are students that are struggling to afford the \$200 registration fee, that they contact Lindsay Carlos directly.

### ○ **Fundraising Updates:**

- **Bottle Depot:** Account # 2346- Brooks dry grad 2025. Keep bringing your bottles to the depot!

The Bottle Drive was postponed from Jan 4<sup>th</sup> as no advertising went out and there was not enough organized volunteers to assist. Another date was discussed of Jan 18<sup>th</sup>, however that has also been tabled. It was discussed that the Committee continue to get people to bring in bottles themselves to the account #2346.

- **Gift Wrapping at Town Centre Mall:** The gift wrapping total was \$678.80. It wasn't as successful as we hoped. There were not many people in the mall with all the construction. Next year may do better with the opening of Winners.

- **Dinner En Blanc: Date is March 8<sup>th</sup>**

Planning is going well. The caterer (Off the Vine Catering), entertainment (Band Students and The Kitchen Sink) and venue (Brooks – Great Hall) are all confirmed. Mother Nature has agreed to sell the tickets for the event. Tickets and posters will be out later this month. Still gathering volunteers for the event. There will be a sign-up sheet at the high school for students to help in the kitchen or other areas. We re still

looking for a volunteer to Emcee for the night. There are a few people already volunteering for decor set up, however, we will also need more for table set up and take down. A Volunteer call out will happen shortly.

- **Comedy Night:** Mayra Funes has set a location for Dwight Hall and date of April 26<sup>th</sup>. No more updates at this time.
- **Fundraiser - Wrestling event:** Tickets have been received. Lindsay, Ashley, Melanie and Teresa have tickets to sell. Lindsay and Janelle have volunteered to run the concession at the event.  
*UPDATE SINCE MEETING: Brooks School office has agreed to also sell the tickets at the front counter.*
- **Escape Room Fundraiser:** Plans are coming along, however a location is still trying to be set. Hopefully this will be finalized by the next meeting.  
If anyone can think of a location that can be used in April, please reach out to the dry Grad Committee and let us know. The space needs to have a washroom and where we can build the set inside of the space at least a week in advance. We would like to run it for a few evenings and over one weekend. No date other than sometime in April or in the very beginning of May.

**Entertainment: Update:** We were not able to secure the Mechanical bull for the event, however there are a lot of fun activities including laser tag. Melanie is still trying to get a layout/floorplan with electrical layout from the facility. Melanie is also searching for a location for the Partyworks employees to stay. She will approach TAWS to see if they would donate a room.

Now that it is the new calendar year, Ashley and Lindsay will be working on the grant application for the use of the rink for the Dry Grad.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Business Sponsorship Letters:** Lindsay will work with Amy to come up with a sponsorship / donation request letter for businesses. Examples would be to request a business to cover fees for students that could not afford the \$200 fee, for donations to their swag bags at the end of the night, prizes for the games and draws, or items for the silent auction at either the Dinner En Blanc or the Comedy Night.

**Next Meeting** will be held on Tuesday, February 4th, at 7pm in the Brooks Library.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35pm