# **Brooks 2025 Dry Grad Meeting**

October 2nd, 2024 - 7 pm

7:02 pm the meeting was called to order, 18 members total in attendance. Committee Members Present: Lindsay Carlos (Co-Chair), Amy Vizzutti (Co-Chair), Janelle Behan (Vice Chair), Ashley Johnson (Treasurer), Teresa Reimer (Secretary)

**1. Minutes** of the meeting September 17, 2024 were reviewed..

Motion to Approve made by: Amy Vizzutti

Seconded: Lindsay Carlos

**APPROVED** 

2. Budget: Ashley Johnson is reviewing files received from the previous committee

### 3. New Business:

- a. Survey / Website
  - It was discussed to create a survey for all grads, asking the following questions: Dietary needs, length of time for the event, food options, theme options, activity ideas.
  - ii. Teresa Reimer and Siona Rounis will collaborate & create a survey to be emailed out to the Grad's by Thanksgiving
  - iii. The previous Dry Grad website will be voted upon at the next meeting, regarding if it should be kept and used for collection of fees, etc, or whether a new domain should be created.
  - iv. A new email will be created for communication.

UPDATE since meeting - The new email is: drygradpr2025@gmail.com

## b. Fundraising

- Reviewed last year's dry grad ideas and discussed what could be done this year. A list of ideas were
  - 1. Look into ICBC for donations
  - 2. Community Forest Event
  - 3. Community Grant options
  - 4. Community Business Requests
  - 5. Hospital Auxiliary Moving boxes (J. Behan offered to head this one)
  - 6. Bottle Collections (Ashley Johnson to create an account at the depot)
  - 7. Beer & Burger Night
  - 8. Liquor Store donations
  - 9. DQ Cakes
  - 10. Gift Wrapping at Town Centre (Rachelle Pelly will be organizing this event)
  - 11. Non Fundraiser Idea (if you never want to participate in fundraising, please pay \$\$)
  - 12. Dinner En Blanc night
  - 13. Escape Room
  - 14. Comedy Night
  - 15. Paint Night

- ii. It was asked to the members at the meeting if a Fundraising Committee would be formed to help organize the fundraising events, etc. Mayra Funes offered to head the committee.
- iii. It was discussed if the Dry Grad fees should be tracked. With regards to whom helped participate in the fundraising and subsidize Dry Grad fees to those who assisted in fundraising events. This will likely be voted on at the next meeting.

## c. Entertainment

- i. Ideas were discussed for what type of entertainment should be provided. It was agreed to put some ideas in the Survey and ask for more from the Grads.
- ii. It was asked for people to come forward, join a committee in order to help with organizing the entertainment. No official committee was formed.
- iii. Decor for the event. It was discussed how wonderful Point Group was last year for Decor & Food. It made it very easy and stress free for parents helping with the Dry Grad. Point Group handled all set up and take down of the food and decor. A motion was made to have Point Group arrange all decor and possible food for this year.

Motioned by Teresa Reimer, Seconded by Amy Vizzutti

APPROVED

### d. Hoodies / T-shirts

- i. It was discussed to ask Grads if they would like to have the hoodies a different color this year and if they would like to have their names on the hoodies. It was also discussed if the Hoodies should be kept separate from Dry Grad Fees. These questions will be added to the Survey.
- ii. Last year T-shirts were given to all those that attended Dry Grad. There were design ideas of having the Grads design their shirts, or perhaps having the names of all grads on the back of the shirts with the grad year. This will be discussed at a further date
- **4. Next Meeting** will be held on Tuesday, November 5th, at 7pm in the Brooks Library. Going forward most meetings will be held on the first Tuesday of the month.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:12 pm