

Angus McKay Community School Association
General Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, February 4th, 2026
6:00pm – Angus McKay School Library

Our mission is to support community building and learning at Angus McKay. We do this by raising funds to support teachers and learning initiatives.

In attendance: Jean-Paul Rochon, Anita Penner, Chelsea Dyck, Kelli Johnson, Bryce Saunders, Jody Olfrey, Rachelle Schott, Ginny Lechman, Patrice Cayer

Regrets: Rebecca Smith, Trisha McDonald, Casey Nolin, Nicole Carriere

1. Meeting Agenda - Motion to approve agenda made by Anita, seconded by Chelsea, motion carried.

2. Motion to Approve January minutes - made by Anita, seconded by Bryce, motion carried.

3. Reports

a) Principal

*see attached report

b) Vice President

i) Playground Update

- The "RETSD In Trust" account for our playground project is still at \$23,615, confirmed by the RETSD assistant secretary-treasurer.
- More opportunities for grant applications and funding will be opening in the next few weeks, Chelsea is keeping an eye out for available funding from and will be submitting grant requests as able.
- Chelsea applied for the Access Credit Union Community Investment Grant and has been in contact with their Community & Engagement Specialist. There is also a 2026 Focused Funding Grant available through Access CU that is \$25,000 for ten applications, except that decision is not made until October/November 2026, whereas the CIG has a turnaround time of about 4 weeks. Access advised that they typically fund around \$5,000 for playground projects through the CIG. After some discussion it was decided that we will let our original application for the Community Investment Grant stand, in the hopes that we can receive \$5,000 towards our project and hopefully raise the rest of the funds through other avenues of fundraising.

c) Treasurer

- i) Account Update
 - Bryce advised there is \$8,600 in the CSA account.
- ii) Charitable Receipts
 - Any donations received towards the playground project have been forwarded to the RETSD office for deposit into the trust account, and receipts should have been sent out directly from RETSD as requested.

d) Fundraising

- i) 50/50
 - Anita will follow up with Casey as to where we are on getting our license.
- ii) Nessie Cookbook
 - There are 48 unsold copies of the Nessie Cookbook available.
- iii) Glenlea Greenhouse
 - Delivery is set for Monday, May 11th at 1pm. Casey had inquired about getting delivery earlier in the day but Glenlea was not able to accommodate.
 - Jody has been collecting boxes for the delivery day for people that have larger orders, Anita suggested getting extras from Freshco as well.
 - Many more volunteers are needed to ensure the order sorting goes smoothly and is completed before people pick up their orders, as last year was quite chaotic.
 - There were also some unanticipated early pickups for Glenlea last year, this year we will advise no pickups until 3:30.
- iv) Prairie Chef Chicken Fundraiser
 - Chelsea advised that Prairie Chef will only be offering the regular breaded chicken strips for this years' fundraiser (both the 1-kg boxes and the bulk 4-kg boxes).
 - Pricing will be as follows: \$22/1-kg box and \$80/4-kg box.
 - The fundraiser will be open for a week towards the end of February (20th-27th) though Kelli will confirm that these dates will not interfere with Hot Lunch ordering on MunchaLunch and advise if dates need to be adjusted.
 - Delivery to Angus McKay School on Thursday, March 19th.
- v) Community Garage Sale
 - Anita suggested possibly doing a community garage sale in the Spring versus one for the holidays that was discussed briefly at the January CSA meeting. Further discussion and planning on this was tabled until the March CSA meeting.

e) Hot Lunch

- i) Hot Lunch Reports
 - The January 29th Hot Lunch from Boston Pizza had 101 orders and produced \$288.75 profit.

ii) Upcoming Hot Lunches

- February 27th, 2026 - McDonald's
- March 27th, 2026 - vendor TBD, Kelli will look into Wayback Burgers as a possible option after Ginny suggested that they do hot lunches for other local schools and have opened a new location in the area.

f) Communications

i) Facebook Update

- The Angus McKay Families Facebook page currently has 65 members.
- Ginny continues to create Nessie graphics for the page and highlights special events and reminders as needed.

4. New Business

a) Nessie Movie Night

- JP suggested the idea of a Nessie Movie Night at our January CSA meeting as both a community building event and CSA fundraiser. Free admission with no supervision required as a fun family night out. The CSA will provide snacks (popcorn and candy), water, glow bracelets, etc as a fundraising initiative. JP suggested using Harlan's, a local food distributor to source oversized bulk bags of popcorn.
- We would be able to screen a movie from Criterion (a streaming platform used at Angus and other schools for streaming school-appropriate feature films). Anita has a Criterion account and will look into possible movie options.
- Families would be encouraged to bring lawn chairs, sleeping bags, pillows, etc and watch a movie screening in the gym. The gym mats would also be available to use.
- A fun bonus would also be a free golden ticket draw for 'premium seats' on couches borrowed from elsewhere in the school for the winning family.
- We will be planning this event for Thursday, March 26th, with tentative times of doors opening at 5:45 and the movie starting at 6:00pm.
- Further discussion and planning for the event will be on the agenda for the next CSA meeting.

Next meeting: Wednesday, March 4th, 2026

Motion to adjourn made by Anita, seconded by Kelly, meeting adjourned at 7:03pm.