

Minutes of the Esquimalt High School Alumni Foundation 2023 AGM
Monday Nov. 20, 2023 7:00 pm
EHS Theatre, 847 Colville Road

1. Call to Order at 7:00 pm

Robert Laidler, Moderator

Robert Laidler called the meeting to order at 7:25 pm.

2. Approval of the Agenda

Robert Laidler

Cathy Wong moved that the agenda be approved. Seconded by Robert Laidler. Carried.

3. Approval of Minutes from 2022 AGM

Cathy Wong

Cathy Wong moved that the 2022 AGM minutes be approved as posted on the EHS Alumni website. Seconded by Brenda O'Connor. Carried.

4. President's Report

Dave Allen

Dave Allen presented the President's Report. He began by explaining why there is both an Alumni Association and an Alumni Foundation for the benefit of new attendees. The President's Report is included with the minutes.

5. Treasurer's Report

Ryan Richard

Ryan Richard presented the 2022/2023 Financial Statement and Review of Books. He also presented the 2023/2024 Budget, Signing Officers and Person to do Review, and he also reported on the Scholarship Fund. The full Treasurer's Reports is in a separate attachment, included with the minutes. Ryan moved the following five motions:

Motion #1

Move that the November 1, 2022 – October 31, 2023 *Financial Statements* be received and recorded in the minutes.

Motion #2

Move that the *Financial Review* report by Gary Moser be accepted.

Motion #3

Move that the *Proposed Budget* for 2023/2024 be approved.

Motion #4

Move that the Association appoint Gary Moser to perform the financial review for the 2023/2024 fiscal year.

Motion #5

Move that the Association approve the positions of President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer as signing officers of the Foundation and the Association continue to use *Coast Capital Savings* for banking.

Motions were seconded by Cathy Wong. Motions were all carried.

Ryan also presented a Special Motion:

Special Motion #1

Move that the Foundation change its operating fiscal year to October 1 to September 30 to coincide with the Alumni Association's fiscal year of October 1 to September 30, effective November 1, 2023.

Robert Laidler seconded. Carried.

6. Fundraising Activities for 2023/24

Dave Allen

Dave Allen emphasized the two fundraising priorities for the next year: the turf field and scholarships at EHS. In the near future, the Alumni Foundation will focus on fund-raising for a new van for the school, as the current one is wearing out. It serves as a good back-up for the school bus, and is used to transport students for curricular and extra-curricular activities.

7. Elections of Officers

Marilyn McCrimmon

The following directors agreed to let their names stand for another year:

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| 1. President | Dave Allen |
| 2. Vice-president | Robert Laidler |
| 3. Treasurer | Ryan Richard |
| 4. Director | Barry Scott |
| 5. Director | Sarah Garr |

6. Director

Brenda O'Connor

Marilyn called for any nominations from the floor. There being none, she declared these nominees to be elected by acclamation.

Marilyn invited nominations for the position of secretary, which is currently open. There were no nominations.

8. Adjournment

Robert Laidler

Robert called for adjournment at 7:55 pm.

The next AGM is November 18, 2024.

Foundation President's Report For 2023 AGM By Dave Allen

This past year the EHS Alumni Foundation has again provided significant support for the students at Esquimalt High School. This help has included: providing three \$1000 scholarships for deserving 2022 graduating students, assisting in raising funds for the turf field at the school through the Esquimalt Ribfest and running the Langos booth to raise funds for projects sponsored by the School Leadership class, for programs at Rainbow Kitchen. None of this would have been possible without the outstanding support from alumni members and the time and effort of those who were willing to help with the fund-raising events.

I would like to recognize those members who helped at the 11th annual Esquimalt RibFest this past September. These volunteers prepared and sold 1100 langos along with pop and water during the second weekend at Ribfest and helped to raise over \$6000. There were also alumni volunteers who helped with the set-up and take down of the Ribfest site. Thank you to all the alumni volunteers and to the alumni members who came out and supported Ribfest 2023. Please mark the date for next year's Ribfest: September 6, 7 and 8, 2024.

As mentioned in Barry's report, we need several alumni members to step forward and provide their ideas and help at the executive level. Basically, the job involves participating in 4 meetings during the year and helping with several projects this year – further work on the school archives and beginning to work on a program to recognize some of Esquimalt High School's outstanding alumni members. Hopefully two or three of our local alumni will step up and get involved with the organization. WE NEED YOU!!!

Finally, I would like to thank the alumni members who have served on the executives of the Alumni Association and the Foundation. Their time, effort and willingness to help are very much appreciated. As well I would like to thank EHS principal Sarah Garr, her admin team, the office staff at the school, along with many of the teachers and students who assisted the Foundation executive this past year.