

Thorsby Junior/ Senior High School  
School Council  
Parent Teacher Association  
Annual General Meeting Minutes  
Minutes by Secretary Kelly Reynar  
OCTOBER 25th 2023

**Quorum Met:** (minimum of 3 Executive members)

**In Attendance:** Cheryl Filipic, Katherine Mudry, Sherri Dobko, Michelle Palmer, Kim Chung, Kelly Reynar, Daniel Hodges, Thrish Hrytsak, Melanie Witteman, Lesya Johnston, Jackie Knopp **Teacher Rep** Kaylyn Powlick

**Absent:** Michelle Martin

**School Council**

**Called to Order: 1903**

1. Approve Minutes from the last meeting October 17, 2022.

**Motion** to approve the Minutes from the last meeting as presented/amended Jackie Knopp / 2nd Sherri Dobko /Carried

- a. amendment is under 3. Correspondence change leave to use

2. Additions Changes to the Agenda: None

**Motion** to approve the minutes from the Agenda as presented/amended Jackie Knopp / 2nd Sherri Dobko /Carried

3. Correspondence – BGSB Highlights -

<https://www.blackgold.ca/about-bgsd/board/board-highlights/>

4. Student Union Report: in Principal's report

5. Black Gold Update: virtual letter from Michelle Martin Trustee Report

6. Principal's report:

- a. 100 people in travel club for spring break 2025 / 23 signed up to go will probably combine with another school - destination to USA
- b. ELAA - Post Secondary Education Fair open house had a great turn out
- c. Creation of Parent Committees to support graduation banquet & fundraising
- d. Graduation vendors need to meet certain criteria outlined by BGSD Insurance
- e. Columbian Student & Chaperon were here a month
  - i. Japanese students may be forthcoming in the new year
- f. \$150.00 for Terry Fox was raised
- g. Mentorship - for Grade 10 mental health work with TES and unified games (track and field, bocce) ASA 3 here and 7 at TES
- h. My Blueprint - online portal to have a portfolio to move toward graduation and path after grad / goal is to get parents on this with student - look forward to a night for the parents application
- i. Halloween Parade Oct 31st at 10:33
- j. Jill of all trades November 23 - Day long event with the goal of introducing the prospect of a career in trades with hands on workshops at NAIT's main campus in conjunction with Warburg and Calmar
- k. Scholarship presentation by Trish at 5:30pm Monday the 30th as deadlines are approaching
- l. Assurance Plan -Council Chair needs to write an opinion on School and return to Mr. Hodges - this is public document

- m. Vaping presentation on October 31st - by Alberta Health Services at the school
- n. Citadel trip Nov 8th for grade 12
- 7. Questions - Look into
  - a. skills trades alberta May 8th 2024
  - b. Leduc Country support showing of a collision to support safe choices demonstration at TJSHS
  - c. Possible Hockey Hookie Oil Kings game grades 7-9
- 8. Adjourn **1953**

**PTA AGM MEETING:**

**Called to order – 1954**

- 1. Approve Minutes from the last meeting October 17, 2022.

**Motion** to approve the Minutes from the last meeting as presented/amended Jackie Knopp / 2nd Sherri Dobko /Carried

- a. Amended - Changed Katherine's last name spelling to Mudry

**Motion** to approve the minutes from the Agenda as presented/amended Jackie Knopp / 2nd Sherri Dobko /Carried

- b. Amended - Name Change under 4.C Raynar to Reynar and the Motion for signing authority name Kelly Raynar to Kelly Reynar

- 3. Treasurer's Report

- a. General Account Balance 5,167.46
- b. Casino Account Balance 5,916.58
- c. expenses not yet submitted (635.10 back to school BBQ),
- d. Status of Annual Return 2022 is completed / 2023 is about to be sent in with form signed by Cherly and with by-laws
- e. Appointment of Auditors

**Motion** to appoint Shelly Birch and Lorelei Stern as auditors for the 2023/24 fiscal year Sherri Dobko / 2nd Michelle Palmer / Carried

- f. Proposed Budget -

- i. The "welcome back bbq" expenses are not shown (635.10)
- ii. Look at Grad gift from PTA maybe finding a sponsor for 24/25 class
- iii. Track meet will not need to be paid for by PTA per Trish

**Motion** to approve the PTA proposed budget for 2023/24 Sherri Dobko / 2nd Michelle Palmer / Carried

- 4. Elections (the people elected for these positions are also elected for the School Council):

- g. These positions are up for election. Other nominations are now open if anyone else is interested.

- i. President - Cheryl Filipic nominated and accepted at the June 2023 meeting. Officially to be elected today with no opposition
- ii. Fundraising Coordinator -Leysa Johnston nomination 10/25/23 by Jackie Knopp and Lysa Johnson accepted on 10/25/23

- h. These positions are finishing their term at the end of this 23/24 year but are letting their names stand for this upcoming term.

- i. Gaming Liaison (Casino Chair) - Katherine Mudry recruiting Morgan Johnston
- ii. Vice President - Jackie Knopp - recruiting

- i. These positions are in the middle of their current terms
  - i. Treasurer - Sherri Dobko
  - ii. Secretary - Kelly Reynar

**Motion** to approve the elected positions as presented Michelle Palmer /2nd Melanie Witteman /Carried

**Motion** to remove Lorelei Stern and Kim Chung as signing authorities and add Kelly Reynar and Cheryl Filipic as signing authorities to the TJSHS PTA ATB General and Casino Accounts. Jackie Knopp /2nd Sherri Dobko /Carried

- a. Kelly and Cheryl need to sign minutes then give to Sherri Dobko, Treasurer, so she can take to the bank; then Kelly and Cheryl will need to go to ATB to sign on the accounts

5. Bylaws - please see attached for updated bylaws and past bylaws (for comparison).

**Motion** to approve the bylaws in their entirety as presented/amended Sherri Dobko / 2nd Melanie Witteman / Carried

6.. Any other business needing attention tonight

- a. 430.00 busing requested by Daniel Hodges for cultural trip - Citadel (English 30-1&2) Grad Class

**Motion** to approve 430.00 requested for busing for Citadel cultural trip Michelle Palmer / 2nd Melanie Witteman /Carried

- b. fundraising Jackie Knopp checked with Chamber of Commerce and they said we can not do a 50/50 at the Gala; but we can have the Christmas in the village event 50/50

**Motion** to approve the Christmas in the Village 50/50 raffle Michelle Palmer / 2nd Lesya Johnston / Carried

c. Plan of Action for the Christmas in the Village 50/50 December 1st 2023

- i. Lesya Johnston, Kaylyn Powlik wil count funds and draw winning ticket (will keep both parts of ticket for records - Kathy Mudry will give them the form and assist with questions)
- ii. Kim Chung, Kelly Reynar, Lesya Johnston & Kaylyn Powlik available to sell (bell to ring)/ newsletter and word of mouth to recruit additional volunteers
- iii. Will stick to 3 tickets 5\$ pricing (already have tickets)
- iv. Kathy Mudry will pull license if it is needed (discuss Nov)
- v. Ticket will be drawn on December 1st and announced on social media sources & Thorsby Target

d. Mr. Hodges will include some PTA items in the newsletter to inform parents of important information (spending, things made possible by PTA - shout outs) and to inform all the current funds available to support the students need to 2026 when the next Casino fundraising event is scheduled. This is TJSHS's biggest fundraiser however the funds would likely not be available until the fall of 2026. This will also prompt some wording on field trip forms for busing where parents will have an option to donate more money to help with busing costs.

e. Request made that bussing supported by PTA the school does their best to make the best use of the space available (Mr. Hodges notes, additional people would pay) PTA just wants to see as many kids as possible utilizing an opportunity if a bus has availability

7. Next Meeting November 22nd at 7pm

8. **Adjourn 2058**