

**Bobcat Backers Society Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, March 12, 2020 @ 6:00 p.m.**  
**Location: Bow Valley High School, Learning Commons, Cochrane AB**

In Attendance: Tracy Bruins (Vice-Chair), Judy Heck, Mia Kruger, Christy Boot, Jim Reilly (Principal)

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:12 p.m. by Tracy Bruins.

2. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved by Mia Kruger, 2nd by Christy Boot.

3. Approval of Minutes of January 9, 2020

The minutes of the January 9, 2020 meeting were approved by Mia Kruger, 2nd by Judy Heck.

4. Business Arising From the Minutes

4.1 Gord Bamford Event: BBS is no longer hosting the Gord Bamford Event and will be partnering on ticket sales instead.

4.2 Board Member Update: Tracy Bruins is Vice-Chair. The Chair and Members at Large positions are vacant. According to 4 A, b: In the event of the absence (for whatever reason) of the Chair, the Vice-Chair shall fulfill the responsibilities of the Chair until the next elections at the AGM. The Chairs position remains vacant until the new Chair is elected. The Executive Membership will need to be updated in the Fall (September/October 2020) following the AGM, when the Corporate Registry mails out its annual return to all registered organizations.

5. Reports

5.1 Treasurer Report

Mia Kruger reported that the ATB Community Spirit Account balance to date is: \$1500.00.

Proceeds from February's CandyGram sales = \$389.00.

Individual Donation from March 5, 2020: \$5.00

We also have \$200 in Gift Certificates from Canadian Tire.

The Treasurer's report was approved by Judy Heck, 2nd by Christy Boot.

6. New Business

6.1 Insurance: Judy Heck spoke with Marsh Canada Limited representative Chris Hamel ([chris.hamel@marsh.com](mailto:chris.hamel@marsh.com), 1 (780) 917-5287) this week regarding insurance. Chris said that Marsh works with the RVS district & other school boards as they are the official School Board sponsored insurance program in Alberta. Chris thinks we should get all 4 coverages as per the coverage limits indicated in the info package - for \$790/year. All executive members agreed on

going with Marsh Canada Ltd as our insurance provider and Judy will complete the application form.

6.2 Open House for Feeder Schools: Tracy Bruins and Christy Boot were present for the Feeder School Open House on March 5, 2020. It was a great opportunity to connect with new parents & students coming to the school in the fall. They put together a list of names of parents who would be interested in participating in BBS & School Council. Two students from Mitford School won the raffles. DC & The Struggle event was promoted. Judy has emailed the secretary's at the Feeder schools to share event information with staff if okay with school admin.

### 6.3 Fundraising Opportunities

D.C. & The Struggle are donating their talents for a fundraiser on April 4, 2020 starting at 8 p.m. at the Iron Bridge. Tickets are now available for \$15 each & available at Two Pharmacy, Iron Bridge, Riverbend Interiors and Decor, at the school and at the door the evening of the event. This event is mainly for adults. Judy has applied and received the AGLC license for a raffle(s) and Hal Wolf from Cochrane Movie House has donated some movie passes that we can sell raffle tickets for & we will try to solicit a few more donations to combine for raffle prizes. Judy will make up raffle tickets. Christy will organize the donation (post-it) wall. Happy Hour prices on alcohol all evening. Posters have gone up in parts of the community and will continue to go up. The event has been mentioned in the BCT and will continue to be promoted until April 4, 2020. Judy has completed the Town of Cochrane request for the info to be posted on the Digital Signs in town. Judy and Tracy promoted the event through CochraneNow on Friday which will air Monday or Tuesday next week.

Gord Bamford 2020 #RedNek Music Fest will now be hosted by the Boys & Girls Club of Cochrane. BBS will be partnering for ticket sales, just like 4H Club, and The Stockmen's Memorial Foundation. BBS will receive a % of tickets sold using the link ([bit.ly/bobcatbackers](https://bit.ly/bobcatbackers)). Ticket sales for this event will be heavily promoted after our April 4 fundraiser.

6.4 Business Plan: Judy Heck attended a workshop of Draft writing. For any grant application, non-profit's require a business plan. Judy will draft one and circulate to members for feedback.

7. Next BBS Meeting Date: **Thursday, June 11, 2020 @ 6:00 pm via Zoom call.**

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.