

## SILVER SPRINGS SCHOOL COUNCIL & SILVER SPRINGS PARENT COUNCIL AGM

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 14, 2026

### Opening

The annual general meeting of the SILVER SPRINGS SCHOOL COUNCIL was called to order at 6:32 PM on April 14, 2026, in Silver Springs School by Celeste Howard.

### Present

Board members: Rebecca Mayhew, Celeste Howard, Amanda Bichel, Oliva Semmens, Erin Olesen, Locke Vincent

Administration: Derek Rakowski

Members at large: Emily Pottie, Carolyn Zukowsko, Emily Pottie, Jasmine Atay Ferguson

Community Members: Erica O'Donnell, Abby Follett

**Welcome/Call meeting to Order – by Celeste Howard**

### Approval of Minutes and Agenda

CBE acknowledgement of the Land by Derek Rakowski

Minutes approved by Mary and Locke.

Rebecca and Erin approved the agenda.

### School Council Election

The following were have been voted in:

- Chair
  - Celeste Howard
- Vice Chair
  - Carolyn Zukowsko
- Secretary
  - Kelsey Mountain
- Treasurer
  - Amanda Bichel

The following roles are still vacant:

- ○ Key Communique
  - Vacant
- Special Events 1
  - Vacant
- Special Events 2
  - Vacant
- Grade 6 Celebration Coordinator (Gr 6)
  - Vacant
- Grade 6 Celebration Coordinator (Gr 5)



- Vacant

### **School Council Financial Overview for Annual Return**

- Amanda has worked on the annual return, we spent around \$8083 events, a residency, gifts, Santa's Workshop etc. Our Income was \$9466.

### **Parent Association Election:**

The following have been voted in:

- Chair
  - Celeste Howard
- Vice Chair
  - Carolyn Zukowsko
- Secretary
  - Kelsey Mountain
- Treasurer
  - Amanda Bichel
- Community Web/Social Media
  - Locke Vincent
- Kindergarten Representative
  - Abby Follett
- Casino Representative
  - Rebecca Mayhew
- Healthy Hunger Representative
  - Kira Syvertsen
- Teacher Conference Dinner Coordinator
  - Kara Vincent
- Fundraising Coordinator 1
  - Mary Sampson
- Fundraising Coordinator 2
  - Emily Pottie
- Members at Large: Marion Kaaden, Michelle Downey, Jasmine Atay, Olivia Semmens, Erin Olesen, Heather Donneaur, Erica O'Donnell

### **Parent Association Financial Overview for Annual Return**

- \$47,281 expenses, Income Total was \$91,164. We gained \$43,883 April 2025 - March 31, 2026.

### **Adjournment**

Celeste motioned to adjourn meeting at 6:55 PM .

**Minutes submitted by:** Rebecca Mayhew



## **SILVER SPRINGS SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL & SILVER SPRINGS SCHOOL PARENT ASSOCIATION**

Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, April 14, 2026

### **Opening**

The school council meeting of the Silver Springs School Student Council and Silver Springs School Parent Association was called to order at 6:56 pm on Tuesday, April 14, 2026 at the Silver Springs School by Celeste Howard.

### **Present**

Board members: Rebecca Mayhew, Celeste Howard, Amanda Bichel, Oliva Semmens, Erin Olesen, Locke Vincent

Administration: Derek Rakowski

Members at large: Emily Pottie, Carolyn Zukowsko, Emily Pottie, Jasmine Atay Ferguson, Erica O'Donnell, Abby Follett

**Welcome (Celeste):** Welcome to the Parent Association and School Council Meeting

### **Approval of Minutes**

Minutes approved by Erin and Mary.

Erin and Mary approved the agenda.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Financial Update:**

- Casino / Parent Association Account ended at \$66,000.
- School Council: \$21,675 for end of March
- We are looking at our forecasted spending, as we do not get any new casino funds until April. It looks like we would be in debt ~\$6,000 if we spend as we have planned at the end of March until Casino funds are in place.
- Ideally we like to have a \$10,000 buffer in both our accounts
- The large library commons expense we can move into different chunks to help ensure we have funds throughout the year
  - Part 1 April ~\$9123.07
  - Part 2 November ~\$12,027.02
- For larger items it would be ideal to know ahead of time prior to us voting, or allow us to vote after it is proposed so we can all have enough information to properly vote.
- The school will start doing reimbursement requests every two months instead of every six months
- There will be an October financial meeting to review all expenses etc.
- We will also start a tracker for everything that has been approved so we have a record at the end of the year and not just in meeting minutes



**Administration Update:**

- Thank you to Locke and Kara for the Taco Bar for March conferences! It was so awesome.
- T-Shirts and Hoodies just arrived and Mad Monkey was fabulous, handing them out was super easy. Mad Monkey came in packages named and separately packaged.
- Thank you to Amanda, Celeste and Danica for their spending plan work!
- We have had 20 entries for the Yearbook cover contest! Emily P suggested we should have all the entries in some of the pages inside. Locke said we can do this easily.
- RAM & staff budgeting has been pushed back to April 23, 2026.
- Currently 27 kindergarten students, by May 1 we will know if we have one or two classes.
- The National Food Program Funding of \$2300 was a huge hit! We got regular snacks and Bannock and Samosas for cultural learning.

All members present got to vote on the yearbook cover! It was suggested that next year perhaps the students could also vote.

**Adjournment**

Celeste motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 PM.

**Minutes submitted by:** Rebecca Mayhew

