

## Meeting Minutes - Wednesday, March 11, 2026

**Attendees:** Paulino, Maria, Gaby, David, Tara, Ran, Heather, Stephanie, Robyn, Amy

1. Band Program Update
  - Band field trip for high school next week to Banff
  - Grade 9 trip to Banff next month
  - Showcase possibly in May/June
  - These are supported in part supported by QEBPA
  - AIBP, Grade 9 won Gold, Grades 10,11, 12 achieved Excellence
2. Communications/Web volunteer needed
  - Google site, easy to update
  - URL was purchased by prior member, Robyn can take this over
  - Communications: need to define what these are, who is doing them, and through what channels
3. Next fundraiser update
  - Rebel Coffee, by Lyndsey
  - Before or after spring break, practically, after spring break is better
  - Need to sort out e-transfer
  - Other fund raiser ideas for this year?
4. Celebrations for accomplishments
  - Odessa suggested QEBPA consider sponsoring a celebration
  - Funds for photo printing
  - Can we take photos of students is a question
  - Discussion
    - i. No formal celebration for gold last year
    - ii. Impression with parents that funds are going to uniforms, bussing for field trips, special equipment, and sheet music
    - iii. Band photos are typically in the yearbook (there are 2 photos of Grade 9s with the award)
    - iv. Consider chipping in for pizza party (or any other aspect of full participation in band) if there are affordability issues for any student
5. Uniforms
  - Refunding still not complete, mostly grade 7's not in band anymore
  - Request funds for ties from parents
  - Reach out to Ms. Neely/Mr. Parker on the status of uniform refunds and include message about uniform refunds in band email
  - Deadline for refunds by April 8, 2026, to be communicated through band newsletter and Ms Terry
  - Consider allowing students to donate ties or band uniforms at the end of year, consider communicating this in band newsletter
  - Consider a laundry budget for cleaning donated or loaned clothing

**Next meeting:** April 8, 2026