



Massey Agricultural Society
Board Meeting AGENDA
May 27th, 2025, 6:30 pm. Geiger Public School

Board: President – Lindsey Cada-Tremblay; Vice-President – Leslee Salo; Treasurer – Dianne Emiry;
Secretary - Jolie Bianchin; Directors: Keith Emiry, Jessica Rainville, Jamie Fournier.

Youth – Karma Griggs.

Representative: Cheryl Phillips

Regrets: Lina Vermeer

1. Call to Order
2. **Statement of Indigenous Respect & Acknowledgement.**

"We would like to begin by acknowledging that the land we gather is the traditional territory of the Sagamok Anishinaabe People. We are dedicated to honouring Indigenous history and culture and are committed to moving forward in the spirit of reconciliation and respect. May we respectfully honour the voices of the Anishinaabe and ensure they are represented in our collections, programmes, and services."

3. Confirmation of Quorum
4. Rules/Decorum/Info
5. Declaration of conflict of interest – None Declared
6. Agenda Adjustments
Under New Business:
 - Tender for Clothing
7. Approval of Agenda

Be it RESOLVED that the MAS membership approves the May 27, 2025, Agenda with additions. MOTION by: Jamie Fournier. SECONDED by: Jessica Rainville. All in Favour. NON-opposed. Carried

8. Approval of Previous Minutes (April 22, 2025)

Be it RESOLVED that the MAS membership approves the minutes from April 22, 2025. MOVED by Jessica Rainville. Seconded by Jamie Fournier. All in Favour. Non-Opposed. CARRIED.

9. Correspondence
 - a) TSSR - Lindsey
The letter has been sent and will be on the agenda for the upcoming meeting (Wednesday).
 - b) Monster trucks - Lindsey

The contract with the Monster Truck company has been sent. On their site, parking may be an additional cost. We should charge for parking. Some People want to camp that weekend. Food vendors are now messaging. We could do food. Food vendors have to be outside the perimeter. Charge vendors and charge for camping. Will require security.

Be it RESOLVED that the MAS membership approves offering weekend camping during the Monster Truck Event (Friday, Saturday, and Sunday). MOVED by Dianne Emiry. SECONDED by Leslee Salo. All in favour. Non-Opposed. CARRIED.

Discussion:

\$5 parking.

Trailer Spot - \$50/daily

Tent Spots - \$25/daily

Vendor - Food - \$100/daily

10. Treasurer's Report.

Reviewed Report.

Be it RESOLVED that the MAS membership approve reimbursing Dianne Emiry the following amounts: \$46.22 (expenses for OAAS lunch), \$300 for keychains, \$380.79 for Vista Print Order for a total of \$727.01

MOVED by Dianne Emiry. SECONDED by Lindsey Cada Tremblay. All in Favour. Non-Opposed. CARRIED.

Be it RESOLVED that the MAS membership approves the Treasurer's report as submitted. MOVED by Jessica Rainville. SECONDED by Jamie Fournier. All in Favour. Non-Opposed. CARRIED.

11. Old Business

a) Vulnerable Sectors Update re: OAAS - Lindsey

It is hereby RESOLVED that the MAS membership agrees to adopt the OAAS policy 2.18, which requires that staff, directors, and executives complete police record checks. Only volunteers working with the vulnerable sector are required to undergo a police records check. MOVED by Dianne Emiry. SECONDED by Jolie Bianchin. All in Favour. Non-Opposed. CARRIED.

Discussion:

The discussion focused on the differences between a Vulnerable Sectors Check and a Police Check. Lindsey emphasizes that if someone is managing a camp or working with vulnerable individuals, the Board must take every possible measure to ensure their safety. As we do not currently have an official policy on this matter, we have agreed to adopt the OAAS standards as our guidelines for effectiveness. The OAAS policies and procedures are detailed in the attached document.

Concerns have been raised about the potential delays in implementing the Vulnerable Screening Check (VSC) and the possibility that it may discourage people from volunteering. Some argue that the VSC may not be necessary for all roles. The ongoing debate focuses on how to best protect vulnerable groups, such as children at day camps or individuals from organizations such as Karris. It has been suggested that VSC requirements should only apply to those working directly with sensitive populations, rather than to individuals who are performing less sensitive roles, such as parking cars or assisting at fairs in other capacities.

The OAAS adheres to procedures recommended by the RCMP in regard to Police Records Check (PRC) for not-for-profit organizations.

This policy applies to all OAAS provincial and district staff, directors, executive and volunteers. OAAS provincial and district staff, directors, executive and volunteers must complete an appropriate Police Records Check for initial approval. Subsequently, OAAS provincial and district staff, directors, executive and volunteers must complete an appropriate Police Records Check every three years (36 months from the date of their previously filed Police Records Check).

Commit to Kids Program: <https://protectchildren.ca/en/get-involved/online-training/commit-to-kids/>



Price	Length	Requirements
\$20 Contact us for a group rate if you are purchasing accounts for 10+ individuals.	8 modules 3hr Training can be completed in one or multiple sittings	Computer, tablet, or smartphone with access to the internet*
PURCHASE ↗		

Q: How do we as an organization do everything that we can to ensure that the children and vulnerable sectors are protected? A: Always have two staff members present at any given time, especially in washrooms or private areas. Have a Director or Executive present. Provide Education. Offer the Commit to Kids programming in training.

b) Fair schedule/logistics - what still needs to be booked?
 Lindie can put together a schedule. Lindie needs everyone to send information on what they are responsible for and so that we can see the holes.

Shane with the Kid Zone Education. Will not charge us. Grow your mushroom kits.
 Q: If we need things built for the Massey Fair, can a maintenance person build this? A: Yes, one of our students is a carpenter. June 21st is his first day.

Action: Jolie to send the Google doc to Lindie for the Director template assigned to their roles

- c) Fencing and site improvements - Jamie/Keith
- A quote from Bob Mailloux has come in. 60 hours = \$27,000 + HST
 - Doug Dorion is willing to come in and work with water. Bathroom issue. Starting on this within the next 2 weeks. Needs to be done by the end of June. Will he be extending water to the garden?
 - Fencing for Leslee's area - quote still in works.
 - Rona - fencing. Consideration given to barter with allowing their trucks in for advertising during the fair for materials.

Action: How much dollar value is this going to be? Jamie will speak to Justin.

Action: Keith to submit Bob Mailloux's quote to Jolie.

Discussion:

Last year's quote from Rona was provided in the amount of \$8,000 for all the pressure-treated lumber to replace all of the bleachers.

Wait for the diagnosis about the plumbing first before we commit to the Mailloux project.

- d) ERNIE DESJARDINS to get information about borrowing/renting the golf carts, including the number available, possible sponsorship, and insurance.

Action: Lindie to contact Doug for the Golf Carts.

- e) LINDIE WITHER-WESTON will contact Roger's to see if they can make adjustments to the cell tower to improve service on the fairgrounds - This will be discussed on the Fair Managers Report.

12. New Business

- a) Spring Fair Recap

(See attachment)

- b) Community Garden Update

Q: Is there a plan for what is going to grow this year? A: Peas, Beans, Potatoes, Cucumbers.

Massey Horticultural Society: Companion planting. Plan for all of the boxes.

Students and volunteers will be responsible for watering and weeding the garden. There will be a sign-up sheet created for accountability.

ACTION: Pin the sign-up sheet to the top of the FB page to make it transparent and accessible.

- c) Internet - no local representative. Northern Internet Solutions - Quote Starlink and booster.

- d) Event proposal

Beers and Boogie fundraiser - 8 pm to 2 am.

June 28th. Is the themed dance proposal.

Deadline. Confirmed in the next couple of days. Volunteer contingent on this event.

Events are more successful when we can draw in other community groups.

- e) Dianne distributed tenders for clothing/Hoodies and t-shirts/keychains.

Please feel free to send invitations to tenders that you may know.

Add to Facebook Page

13. Committee Reports

- a) Horticultural Society. Jess and Lindie went to the meeting. Theme: edible garden. They physically cannot plant in our garden, but they can engage.

- b) Hiring committee update. Hudson Cassidy, maintenance worker, Kaden Cassidy, Camp counsellor. Rory - Camp counsellor. Repost for the Coordinator position, waiting to hear back from Sagamok first.

- d) Cover contest Report. 92 entries from 5 different schools. Edith Presseau was the judge. (see attachment).

- e) Camp Breakdown:

- July 7 to 11 - Junior Farmer (5+) Animals not on site all week. 8 am - 4 pm for staffing. Camp is 9 to 3.
- July 14 to 18th - Culture (7+) - Stations
- July 21 to 25th - Back 2 your roots (ages 7+)
- July 28 to Aug 1st - Arts Camp (5+)
- \$125 per week per child. Early drop off \$25- Late pick up.\$25

14. Comments/Announcements

Special announcements, congratulations, recognitions, and reminders. Board members can also use this time to **suggest agenda items** for the next meeting.

15. Adjournment

Be it RESOLVED that the MAS membership moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 pm.
MOVED by: Jessica Rainville.

Chair: Lindsey Cada-Tremblay	Secretary: Jolie Bianchin
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