

Jennie Elliott School Council Meeting Agenda

February 13th, 2023

7:00 p.m. In Person Meeting at JES Learning Commons

Option to attend online via MS Teams

* Indicates written report/attachment provided

Attendance:

Alicia Dyck, Corinne Ashbaugh, Eva Friedly, Holly Rand-Chisholm, Jeff Babich, Jennifer Decon-Daulicsh, Katherine Buttler, Kathy Sushko, Kelly Moore, Kimberly Rea, Lucene Tahmazian, Paige McCallum, Robyn Calvert
Ryan Oliver

Online Attendees:

Erin, Snyanne Way, Stephanie, Lisa, Angela

1. Call to Order
 - At 7:03
2. Review of Agenda
3. Approve Minutes from meeting as presented (or as amended)*
 - Motions to approve the agenda Alicia
 - Jeff seconds the motion
4. Teacher Presentation
 - Grade 2 teachers
 - Artist in Residency (A Sensory Journey of Inuit, Prairie and Acadian)
 - Lana Skauge
 - 13 Weeks
 - Incorporating Land Acknowledgement
5. Principals Report – School Planning Engagement - Lucene Tahmazian
 - Will share the school engagement presentation on the Website
 - Explanation of the School Development Plan (Literacy (spelling), mathematics (solve complex mathematical problems) and Wellbeing (sense of belonging))
 - School Development Plan Link [JES School Development Plan 2022 - 2023](https://jennieelliott.cbdialogue.com/en/projects/2022-23-school-year/engagements/2022-23-school-planning-meeting-evaluation)
 - School Budget Information
 - Invitation to complete school surveys will be completed through the weekly updates
 - Invited to complete survey for School Planning Meeting
 - <https://jennieelliott.cbdialogue.com/en/projects/2022-23-school-year/engagements/2022-23-school-planning-meeting-evaluation>

6. Financial Report
 - a. Review of Treasurer's Report*
 - Copy posted on the website

7. Committee Updates
 - a. Fundraising Committee
 - i. Fun Lunches – Steph
 - Looking for volunteer(s) to run the Fun Lunch program next year.
 - Looking for volunteers to review our Fun Lunch program to align with the CBE Nutritional Guidelines.
 - Two parents to research the guidelines
 - It is acknowledged there may be infractions to the guidelines this year. Fun lunches will continue as posted for the remainder of the year.

 - Only posted fun lunches will happen until the end of the year
 - 25-35 students need a donated lunch
 - REQUIRED: A volunteer to run and organize the Fun Lunch Program next year. Steph will support the transition if needed

 - ii. Gingerbread Night – Eva/Robyn
 - It raised a profit, which was unexpected
 - Great turn out

 - iii. Spring Dance – Eva/Robyn
 - April 20
 - Tina will support with providing Volunteers
 - Grade 6 students to possibly take a leadership role
 - Advertize the items that will be sold at the concession

 - b. Community
 - i. February COSC Meeting
 - ii. Public Education Campaign
 - Email to be sent by Ryan Oliver

8. Carryover discussions from the previous meeting.
 - a. Alternative fundraising strategies
 - i. Not for profit status
 - Donations from Parents
 - Mixed opinions
 - There is no harm to getting this status, gives the council flexibility
 - Seeking a volunteer committee to complete the task

 - b. DHH transition support
 - Stephanie McLeod
 - Provide support for new families for students coming and going from JES
 - Can Parent Council Support with this Initiative?
 - Lucene will discuss with Stephanie how to move this initiative forward

- c. JEPSA Bylaw Amendments (Voting clause doesn't meet AGLC requirements).
 - Required before our next Casino
 - Requires to have a special general meeting
 - This will occur in the near future (Approximately 72 hours)
 - d. JESC Bylaw Amendments (Number of meetings & Term Limit Review)
 - Council Positions
9. New Business
- a. Reminder to parents that the council is composed of volunteers.
 - We are happy for feedback
 - We are happy to have more participation from parents
 - Teachers are happy with the support Parent Council Support
 - b. Decodables
 - Alicia
 - Presentation of a school side fundraiser to raise funds to purchase decodable books
 - In the month of April, A Read-a-Thon
 - If every child raised \$15, there would be enough funds
 - Prize ideas
 - Comments and Questions from JES
 - Sourcing publishers
 - What is recommended from CBE
 - Desire is to have the same set in each of the classrooms
 - Purchase with caution, research is required
 - widen the scope to Literacy
 - Alicia motions to use the funds raised to support the literacy program at JES while consulting JES administration for guidance.
 - Motion is seconded by Katherine
 - c. Need to start thinking about what next year's Council will look like.
 - i. If you want to take on a key role, please reach out.
 - Fundraiser Committee (Bite Size Pieces)
 - A number of people could each take on a fundraising event
 - d. Other new business?
 - Angela asks about the idea of creating a Poetry Book for JES.
 - Student work would be published in a book
 - Circle back in September
 - Connect with Katherine
 - Concerns about the use of instructional time
 - Questions about the level of involvement from teachers
 - Advertise school council at events
 - Student Led -Conferences is a great place to advertise
 - Possible creation of a bulletin board inside the school
10. Upcoming Important Dates
- Next Meeting April 3, 2023.

11. Adjourn

- At 9:13
- Motion made by Ryan Oliver
- Seconded by Kathy Sushko

Submitted by Kathy Sushko