

## Jennie Elliott School Council

Minutes for December 14, 2020

7:00 p.m. MS Meets Meeting

\* indicates written report/attachment provided

Attendance: Steve, Robyn, Jaydon, Stephen, Stephanie, Tanya, Kathy

Regrets: None

- Meeting Link: [Dec 14 MSTeams Link](#)

1. Call to order 7:03
2. Review of the Agenda
3. Approval of the Minutes, as presented (OR as amended)
  - November 23rd, 2020
4. Financial Report\*: Treasurer - Tanya Kaczmarek
  - Financial Transactions / Status to date:
  - Not much change since November
  - \$70, 585 – in September
  - \$62 242 – Current
5. Committee Reports
  - A. Staff Appreciation discussion - Any ideas on how to accomplish this year?
    - Tough with COVID-19 Protocols
    - Past year discussion – Christmas Lunch for staff, provided by parents
    - Maybe lunch at the end of the year
    - Other comments...
    - Weird year for accepting "gifts", no gathering
    - So many constraints and protocols
    - Discussion to be had with council members of what follows current with COVID-19 regulations
  - B. School Council Policy
    - Nothing new to report

C. Fundraising Committee – Chair: Robyn / Steph

- Appreciation of thanks to all the volunteers who support the fundraising campaigns at JES
  - a. Purdy's Fundraiser
    - Another successful fundraiser
    - High Earning for everyone
    - Profit –
    - Venue presented a challenge for organizing and sorting because the truck was late.
    - The School is the desired location for delivery
  - b. Gingerbread night
    - Successful
    - Gingerbread Prize – Keg Gift Certificate
    - Stephen to forward the prize to Liberty Robinson
    - 131 kits were bought
    - 21 donated (handful left), staff pleased to hand out to families
    - Katie to post picture to website, Stephen to link into the website
  - c. Greeting Cards
  - d. FlipGive
  - e. Possible Valentine's fundraiser?
    - Just came up in discussion
    - Purdy's Maybe, would it be as successful
  - f. Fun Lunch not an option right now – Stephanie will investigate
    - Discussion about being creative and options
    - Need to follow current COVID-19 Restrictions and protocols
    - Maybe September, new school year new protocols
    - \$1500 lost income from no Fun Lunches
  - g. Online Auction
    - Rules regarding raffles and auction (Tanya will check in)
    - Not impossible
  - h. New Year
    - Maybe one or two other fundraising events
    - Apple Orchard
    - Spring Fundraiser – they don't currently have a program
    - Maybe Peaches
    - JES Parent – Sunroom Plant Company
      - Kindergarten Parent
      - Makes wreaths, plants etc
      - Interested in participating
      - Maybe Easter, Mothers Day
      - Has online ordering platform

#### D. Community Engagement

- Website and Social Media ongoing. Review website stats. Discuss weekly information updates to website
- Still need volunteer to look after community engagement
- Statistics: last year flat line less that one per month
- November Statistics:
  - 325 unique visits (10 per day)
  - 3 pages per visit
  - Effective
- Katie and her team have done an incredible job
- Weekly Blogs from JES Staff – interactivity
- Provide statistics update each month

#### 6. Old Business

##### a. Bylaws/Objectives review – ongoing

##### b. Casino Update

- i. AGLC – Delays because of COVID-19. The Casino will update Volunteer Coordinator (Amy)
- ii. Reschedule and revised dates coming to Amy
- iii. Steve to follow up with Amy

##### c. Secretary still required - May have lined up for January

- i. Position is filled by Kathy Sushko

#### 7. Principal's Report: Principal – Stephen Ogilvie

##### Updates:

- Slide Presentation in the hallways as kids enter the school. Showcasing different student work
- Basketball Hoops
  - Facility recommendation to replace and upgrade
  - Looking at a variety of different companies
  - 4 – 6 hoops depending on cost
  - Best time to be upgrading because of the low demand
- Holiday Happiness Week happening in the school
- Virtual Assembly December 17
  - Available to parents December 17<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>
  - Will be sent as a link
- Report Cards
  - Available online sometime between February 1-5
  - System to release the specific date
  - Encourage parents to download and print at home
  - Will not be accessible for long period of time – will be saved in digitally

- Shift to online learning
  - January 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>
  - January 4<sup>th</sup> – Org day
  - Blocks of time for instructional periods
  - Grade group specific times for online learning
  - Kindies first and then moving later in the morning for grade 6
  - There will be blocks of time for work and teacher led activity
  - Students will receive all core subjects.
  - Teachers will be available during the day
  - Teachers will have their breaks
  - It Will look different that in March. More than just literacy and numeracy
  - Parents/guardians remain an important part of the learning opportunities
  - ESS Class – still in the school
  - DAH Class – still in the school
  - Kristine working with in person learning
  - Jeff working with the online learning
- Extra Purdy's Boxes of Chocolates in the office will be given to Bus Drivers as gifts

#### 8. New Business

- Video system for the Gym
  - Ordered, but delayed
  - Update next council meeting
- Upgrade basketball hoops – investigation underway
- Gym equipment to be purchased and expensed to council
- Introduction of New Secretary in January

#### 9. Upcoming important dates

- December 17<sup>th</sup> - Last day of classes
- January 5<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> is in home learning for all students
- January 4<sup>th</sup> Org Day
- January 11<sup>th</sup> - School council meeting 7pm (MS team meets)

Ajourn – Happy Holidays ☺



**Task Items:**

- Staff Appreciation
- Next Fundraiser Options
  - February
  - Fun Lunch Protocols
  - Online Auctions (Tanya)
- Status update of Basketball Hoops
- Status update of Video System for the gym
- Status update of gym equipment purchase
- Stephanie to send family holiday zoom activities to post on website