

# Jennie Elliott School Council

## Special General Meeting Agenda

May 29, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

In Person Meeting at JES Learning Commons with option to attend online via MS Teams.

\* Indicates written report/attachment provided

### Attending:

Lucene Tahmazian, Kathy Sushko, Amy Olivier, Katherine Butler, Alicia Dyck, Jeff Babich, Dranne Kaine, Ryan Olivier and JES Grade 4 Teachers

### Online:

Erin, Lisa, Luci, Eva, Shyanne Way

Minutes Submitted By Kathy Sushko (June 8)

1. (7pm) Call to Order at 7:15
2. (7pm) Review of Agenda
3. (7pm) Approve Minutes from meeting as presented (or as amended)\*
4. (7:05pm) Teacher Presentation
  - Grade 4, Healthy Living School at the YMCA
  - Big Question: How do you develop a growth mindset?
    - Physical Health - How can we keep our bodies healthy?
    - Mental Health - How can we keep our brains healthy?
    - Social Health - How do we build relationships?
    - Spiritual Health - Who are we as a whole?
  - Thank you Parent Council for the Residency Funds
  - Thank you volunteers for being involved
5. (7:15pm) Principals Report – Lucene Tahmazian
  - Important for parents to complete the survey about returning students. This impacts staffing at the school.
  - Opening an addition grade 6 classroom (20 - 25 students), total of 3
  - Staffing update will happen through the weekly update email
    - Specialist - Physical Education
    - One Learning Leader
    - Grade 3 teacher
    - 4 DHH Classrooms
    - School will look at creating a Music committee of teachers to support teachers in the classroom. Looking at integrating fine arts into the classroom.
    - Residencies are encouraged to have a fine arts foundation
    - Assemblies will be coming back into the school for once a month

- Upcoming Activities
  - Volunteer Tea
  - Kindergarten Orientation
  - June 21 Indigenous Peoples Day
  
- Lunch Time Discussion
  - Rescheduling the Gym schedule
  - Games Club
  - Intramurals
  
- Thank you to Parent Council for their support as we worked through the multiple changes at the school
  
- Query about split recess times. Is it possible for the recess times to be combined?
  - What configurations can happen for grades having recess breaks?
  - Div. I and Div. II
  - Grade 1, 3, 5 and Grade 2, 4, 6
  - Rotation throughout the year
  
- Family Grouping
  - Successful
  
- Steven Olgive return to work July 1st, 2023
  - Lucene will update as needed

6. (7:30pm) Financial Report

- a. Review of Treasurer's Report\*
- b. Proposed Budget Changes\*
  - 500\$ deviation from last budget needs a motion
  - Casino is the main fundraising
  - Five changes to the original
  - \$7500 for fundraising budget
    - \$1000 - for Play Day
    - \$500 - Gift Cards to Families in need
    - \$2000 to the music program, possibly of supplies or residences
    - \$600 for software
  - Teacher Appreciation - \$1500
    - Jeff motions to spend up to \$1500 and acknowledge the \$500 deviation from the original budget for teacher appreciation activity.
    - Alisha seconds the motion
    - All in favor. Carried.

7. (7:35pm) Committee Updates

- a. Fundraising Committee
  - i. Fun Lunches – Steph
    1. Committee met to review.
    2. Have a handful of “maybe” volunteers for next year.
      - Put together a committee in September

- ii. Spring Dance – Eva/Robyn
      - Wicked, Best dance in decades
      - Made some profit
      - Room for improvement
      - How can it be more inclusive
      - The fire code was hit
    - iii. Spring Literacy Fundraiser - Alicia
      - Table it to the Fall
      - Put a plan in motion early September
  - b. Staff Appreciation – Nicole
    - June 14
  - c. Lakeview Family Fun Day – Meredith
    - Lots of foot traffic
    - Buttons were a hit
  - d. Kindergarten Orientation - Jeff
    - Jeff was present to meet some of the new incoming families
- 8. (8:00pm) Carryover discussions from the previous meeting.
  - a. JESC Bylaw Amendment – Removal of Term Limit.
  - b. Copy of Bylaws: <http://www.jennieelliott.ca/resources.html>
    - Shyanne Way motions to remove item 5.5 from the Jennie Elliott School Council Bylaws which reads: The President, President-Elect and Past-President shall serve a term of office of one year. The term of office for each of the other elected Executive positions shall be two years. No individual may serve on the Executive in a particular elected position for more than two consecutive terms.
    - Motion seconded by Katherine Butler
    - All in favour. Carried.
- 9. (8:00pm) New Business
  - a. Next year's Council.
    - i. If you want to take on a key role, please reach out.
      - Jeff is willing to be chair
      - Other roles needed to fill will be emailed out
      - Stephanie McLeod thank you for all your efforts with all your contributions to JES and Council
      - Thank you to the treasurer for all behind the scenes work
  - b. Other new business?
    - November 9th and 10th is the Casino
- 10. (8:10pm) Upcoming Important Dates
  - a. Next meeting is AGM in September. Dates to be determined.
- 11. (8:10pm) Adjournment at 8:33