

ETHEL M JOHNSON SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: JANUARY 9, 2018

TIME: 6:30PM

LOCATION: EMJ STAFF ROOM

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 6:35pm.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve by Jennifer Perrott, seconded by Paige Shaw, all in favour. Motion carried.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 14TH 2017 MEETING

Motion to approve by Jennifer Perrott, seconded by Alison Erion, all in favour. Motion carried.

4. REPORTS

- a. TEACHER PRESENTATION- No presentation @ this meeting.
- b. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT- Mr. Chris Radu and Mr. Dan Jones
 - i. Update on school year

Winter Concert- went very well, great attendance- almost too many? Question raised if we should limit the number of guests next year, there was no limit because it was only a portion of the students performing and are numbers are reduced this year. Promote day time concert more next year. The photo portion of the evening took up a lot of time, might be best to not include this next round. Kelsey asked if we could assign a photographer to take photos. There is the issue of FOIP, as well as storage and distribution- might not be feasible.

Gingerbread House Night- was a fun event, and just the right amount of time. Next time we need to over order by 15-20 to account for walk-ups and any missed orders, in order to avoid running out like this year. Devise a better tracking system for orders (sign up genius or other).

Outdoor School- Weather was very warm, the kids love it, and they slept inside. Rebooked again at Camp Chief Hector for 2018-19.

Food Bank/Adopt a Family- 5 food bank boxes collected (about 500 items), families were well supported.

Choir- Had successful events singing at TD square and Southcentre.

Book Fair- Gross sales ~\$2300, with \$1000 for EMJ for reading supplies. Big thanks to Bonnie & Cherise.

FUTURE ITEMS TO BE SUPPORTED BY PARENT COUNCIL OR CASINO FUNDS: New tables for school events (not for lunch time), Lighting for events (our current lighting stock is not safe), Water bottle filler, Shoe Racks. *Chris will price out Lighting and Tables specifically, (the other two might not be possible due to CBE labour costs/capital funding requirements.)

c. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT- Kelsey Wetsch

i. Spring Fundraiser

Discussed possibilities for fundraiser: gift cards, cookie dough, Spolombos and Simple Simon pies discussed. Gift cards and cookies tabled to future fundraisers. We will research combination of Spolombos and Simple Simon to make sure there are different price points available for families, will aim to have orders delivered and picked up on Parent Teacher Interviews on March 22 or 23. Kelsey, Shannon and Alison will organize the details of the fundraiser and send notices out by February.

Jennifer Perrott motions to go ahead with spring fundraiser and Shannon Romeike seconds, all in favour, motion carried.

ii. Spring Event

Discussed many options including Valentine's Day Dance, Family BBQ, Movie Night and Sports Day event. Decided upon a Family Movie Night on February 22nd. Kelsey will contact Kernels, will have option to pre-order popcorn and pop for each attendee, Movie itself will be free of charge. Mats/Chair, screen and projector will be set up in the gym. Chris and Dan will coordinate a poll for the students to decide which movie we will view.

Outdoor Family BBQ favoured, but tabled to an end of year event to be discussed at a future meeting. Next Dance will be scheduled for Halloween in October 2018.

Bonnie Graham motions to go ahead with spring event and Alison Erion seconds, all in favour, motion carried.

d. TREASURER'S REPORT- Paige Shaw

See budget attachment "EMJ Parent Account Tracking".

We are in a good position at this time of year, \$5000 that was allocated last meeting is being spent, receipts will be given to Paige when they are ready.

5. OTHER BUSINESS

a. Open Floor- Q&A Period

Alison raised concern about no crosswalks in busy areas- we will post a 311 form in one of the newsletters to try and get parent support to petition the City.

Jennifer received information on Kung Fu Force, will request a quote for informational purposes. Any programs like this can be brought to PTA attention for future casino funds planning. Of course, any program is dependent on school administration approval for content, scheduling, curriculum connections etc.

6. MOTION TO CLOSE

Kelsey Wetsch motions to close meeting at 7:43, Alison Erion Seconds. Motion Carried