

E.J.E.S. School Council & Parent Association Meeting Minutes

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Date: September 28 2021

Location: Virtual Meeting

1. Call to order @ 7:03 pm

- In attendance: Eric B, Rosanna Z., B.Koss, D.Karpluck, J.Stolfa, J.Todghan, T.Pearson, S Given, S.English, T Palan, J.Schmidt
- Agenda review and additions

2. Approval of minutes

- Motion to approve: Rosi/Stephanie Carried

3. Administration Reports

Principal Report

1. Eric introduced himself, first meeting as Principal of École Jasper Elementary School. He introduced us to the schools focus as keys to success. This will be focus throughout the year.

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2. Enrollment for 2021-2022

English program	Frim program
K - 12	M - 17
Gr. 1 - 17	1 ^{ière} - 21
Gr. 2 - 19	2 ^{ième} - 14

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Gr. 3 - 23	3/4ième - 25
Gr. 4 - 23	5/6ième - 29
Gr. 5/6 - 32	JK - 18
Tot = 126	Tot = 106

+ 8 Virtual students

School Total = 240 students + 18 JK

13.0 Teachers

7.0 Educational assistants, 0.5 Speech assistant, 1.0 Admin assistant

3. School Re-entry. We have continued using the 3 entrances and two bell schedule to help classroom cohorting. School nutrition program “grab and go” style has begun.
4. Welcome to 3 new staff.
 - Heidi Kongsrud – Gr. 5/6
 - Cristin Murphy – Gr. 1 and Music
 - Robin Hengel – Gr. 6 Math and 5/6 PE
5. Divisional screens being completed in Math (numeracy) and Literacy. Once we have all the student data we will program to meet children’s learning needs.
6. Grade 5/6 classes are completing staff interviews and will be posting the video on our website in lieu of Meet the Teacher Night
7. Terry Fox Run was held on Friday the 24th Funds Raised were approximately \$500.00, all virtual
8. Fitzhugh “How to cook a Turkey” activity. Fun activity as kids discussed how to make turkey and it will be displayed in the Fitzhugh for Thanksgiving.
9. Looking Forward
 - Sept 30th – Orange shirt day/ National day of Truth and Reconciliation
 - Oct 11th – Thanksgiving no school
 - Oct 20th – School photo day (Koda)
 - Oct 22nd – PD Data day (no class)
 - Oct 27th - Parent Council meeting 7pm (Online)
 - Oct 29th - Halloween activities and Parade for the seniors lodge

Trustee Report

Dale reported the School Board met discussing 1) district re-entry plans and 2) a focus on literacy. The Re-entry plan changed as the mask mandate was instituted by the Provincial Government. The Board has contracted literacy consultants. Teachers in the district will have access to these consultants.

Jeremy noted an issue he had contacting Dale. Dale stated email is the best method to contact her, and she welcomes communication.

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Opportunities to Advise and Discuss

Air Quality and filtration: Eric reported the school has MERV 13 Filters. These filters run all day. These are high rated filters. Jeremy asked if a parent wanted to purchase HEPA filter for the classroom could they. Eric was not opposed to any parent wanting to donate a filter to their class.

Lunch Program: Eric stated the lunch program is taking to many hours to organize and execute. In its current state, it is not sustainable. He is looking to hire 2 more supervisors. He will not use teachers to supervise and using TA funds for the lunch program, is not a good use of funds. Currently Becky and Eric are filling in as needed. Eric stated 50/50 split, parents who use the lunch program and those who do not. There needs to be a discussion regarding options, as the current model is not working.

4. Committee and Member Share

1. Scholastics Book Sale - postponed

5. New Business

1. Funding Science / Art programming: Jen put forward motion to fund a program, seconded. Program options to come (covid complications are a factor)

6. Old Business

1. Drop-off & Pick-up safety: The new paid parking program is causing issues for drop off and pick up. Parking by the school and Library is full as visitors avoid paid parking. A letter will be sent to council as part of the paid parking program review. Trish requested we lobby for another crosswalk from library to the front of the school.

7. JES Parent's Association - AGM

1. Financials update
Financials for 2020/21 attached
Financials were audited by a non board member K. Swanson
Financials approved
2. Executive positions
Chair: Rosanna Zaniol
Vice Chair: Leslie Vassallo
Treasurer: Stephanie English
Secretary: Susan Given
Director: Jen Stolfa
3. Fundraising
April will take on the Flower basket sale again. April is looking for someone to help her and take it over.

8. Adjournment @ 8:10 pm

- Next Meeting: October 27 2021

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