

E.J.E.S. School Council; Parent Association Meeting Minutes, November 24, 2022

Mission: To Foster the well-being and effectiveness of our school community and to enhance student learning.

Date & Location: November 24, 2022, École Jasper Elementary School

Attendees: Michelle Flores, Krista Murry, Angie Thom, Dale Karpluk, Leslie Vassallo, Rosanna Zaniol, Becky Koss, Susan Given, Stephanie English, Jenn Stolfa

1. Call to order – Called to order at 7:05pm

2. Approval of October 20th minutes – Michelle approved minutes, Krista seconded

3. Administration Reports

- **Vice Principal's Report** (B. Koss presented school update in Eric's absence)
 - Shared photos of the following activities: Swimming for grades K-2, Halloween parade, Remembrance Day Service, Mrs. McDonald's class field trip
 - Upcoming: New progress reports and student success meetings, twin day, staff development day to learn about new curriculum and power school reporting, community lantern walk and tree lighting, winter concert
 - Online fee payment system through power school has been a challenge to set-up and implement and is still being worked on.
- **Trustee's Report – D. Karpluk**
 - Shared about board's recent attendance at Hinton public engagement session and award ceremony.
 - The Alberta School Board Association met to finalize their resolutions for this year. These resolutions will guide the ASCA's advocacy for this school year.
 - 2022 resolutions: <https://www.asba.ab.ca/school-boards-conduct-business-and-connect-with-premier-of-alberta-at-alberta-school-boards-associations-2022-fall-general-meeting/>
 - GYPSD has completed their annual assurance measures review. These can be found at: <https://www.gypsd.ca/download/388948> and <https://www.gypsd.ca/download/392049>

3. Opportunities to Advise and Discuss - None

4. Committee and Member Share

- **Angie Thom (library and community teams)**
 - The Scholastics book sale was a huge success! Public Library and EJES each received \$1200 for book purchases.

- Visit the library website for upcoming holiday closures and hours
- The community tree lighting celebration, Dec. 2, Robson Park
- Dec 2: Chaos activity (Carla with COS) will be an interactive movie at the public library

5. New Business

- **Mural**
 - Becky and Jenn met with Logan of UpLift to discuss the possibility and logistics of having a school wall painted in the next Mural Festival
 - Becky has been given the go-ahead from building maintenance pending approval from the Superintendent
 - Jenn to follow-up with Logan re: funding, formal request, and next steps
- **Pedestrian Safety**
 - Requesting a follow-up on pick-up / drop-off concerns brought forward last spring
 - While some risky drop-offs and pick-ups are witnessed, overall it is going okay. The student crossing guards are very helpful (parents could follow their lead more closely). Bylaw and RCMP are seen frequently at these times and their presence is a good reminder for drivers to make safe choices
- **Volunteering in the school**
 - If parents would like to be able to assist in the classroom or on field trips, an RCMP record check and principal approval must be completed in advance.
 - The school library is also looking for 'approved' volunteers to help organize and shelve books.

6. Old Business

- Future School council dates: Dec 15, Jan 26, Feb 23, Mar ?, April 27, and Jun 1

7. JES Parent's Association

- Financials update: \$17,000 playground fund, \$16,000 general association fund
- Fundraising: Flower Baskets are selling well. We can sell 650 baskets max and will be charged for shipping this year.
- Spending:
 - Stephanie made a motion for the Parents Association to fund up to \$2,000 for Tellus Science programming for the 2022/23 school year. Seconded by Leslie, all in favour.
 - Becky will look into the cost and booking this program
 - Becky suggested the Parent Association purchase replacement Chromebooks or charging cart. Discussion around making this a yearly donation.
 - Becky will price Chromebooks / Charging cart for next meeting

8. Opportunity for open discussion

- Discussions around playground: Dale may inquire again about boulders, Leslie may connect with School Council from Ecole Desrocher regarding setting up a meeting

9. Next Meeting - December 15, 2022, 7pm

10. Adjournment - 8:18pm