

Ecole Jasper Elementary Parent Association
Meeting Minutes
May 22, 2024

Attendance:

Present: Myka Jones, Danielle Duffy-Mills, Eric Bouchard, Stephanie English, Becky Koss, Rosanna Zaniol, Angie Thom, Michelle Flores

1. Call to order: 7:03pm
2. Agenda review and additions – completed, Myka/Stephanie
3. Approval of minutes – completed, Myka/Stephanie
4. Brief introductions – no new attendees
5. JES Parent's Association
 - a. Financial update S. English – Flower baskets went well, we were short a few baskets and just need a new invoice. Raised about \$9,000. Myka and Mel Leoni will take over the project next year, to be coordinated with Leslie.
 - i. TOTAL \$17, 289.49 in playground fund
 - ii. TOTAL \$20,992.32 in Parent Council fund
 - iii. TOTAL EQUITY = \$38,281.81
 - b. Schoolyard greenscaping – Myka & Danielle:
 - i. The tree planting project came together incredibly quickly, with support from both schools, Parks Canada, and the municipality. Site marking should happen this Friday and the work bee on Saturday, we have lots of volunteers and we're hoping it goes smoothly. Creating the opportunity for students to become stewards of their schoolgrounds is huge! After this project is done, we'll start planning the next one more slowly.
 - ii. Rosie to ask Fire Department about watering the trees
 - iii. Myka to reach out to Summer Fun Camp coordinator to see if the group would be interested in watering.
6. New business
 - a. Joint use agreement, Rosie: sports groups and families are trying to get joint use back up and running.
7. Old Business
 - a. Nutrition grant, Eric – planning will start next September. We'll try doing fruit with Glenda. All planning dependent on grants.
8. Committee and Member share
 - a. Library- Angie Thom:
 - i. Staff changes underway
 - ii. SRC Saturday, June 15th
 - iii. Tentative schedule for reading club: Mondays at 1:30pm July 8th – Aug 19

- iv. Saturday storing time at 10:30am, starting July
- v. Friends of the Library garden tour coming up, TBD
- vi. Class visits happening in June, tours, storytime, free reading time, etc.
- vii. Preschool story time Saturday, May 8 @ 10:30am
- viii. There is no change in library's hours over summer

9. Administration Reports

Eric Bouchard:

- a. Grade 5s trained for safety patrol for next year
- b. French language teaching specialist came to spend time with French immersion teachers
- c. April 23 – grade 6s got their last immunization
- d. May 6-10 was Teacher Appreciation Week and Mental Health Awareness Week – activities for classes included fidget-making, giant Jenga, Hats On hat day, Mindful Walk (60-75 kids participated), Chalk the Walk with positive messages
- e. May 8-9 – Grade 6 Athabasca Hostel trip, they had a great time, thank you teachers!
- f. Friday, May 10 – Go Girl! A way to encourage girls to join STEM fields
- g. May 14 – Saffron internet safety presentation, please watch the first hour if you can, very important
- h. May 16 – Did the Saffron parent presentation for parents
- i. May 21st – Band Week: junior high band from Savannah came, senior high band 63-member from Port Alberni. Six high school rock bands came in with a stage, lights, curtains, etc. Half of the kids were dancing in the back, they had such a good time, kids went to get autographs. Rock bands might play outside next year, it was very loud.
- j. May 24th – “Sport Day” wear any jersey, gear, etc. and Bake Sale
- k. May 30th – Class photos and grade 6s do a tour of the high school and are invited to the dance that night.
- l. May 31st – EJES Talent Show with 15 (+1) acts, Friday at 1pm all parents are welcome to join us
- m. June 5th – Wacky Walk for Seniors
- n. June 7 – Jump Rope for Heart Skip-off, goal is to raise \$500 and mo
- o. June 14 – Junior Kindergarten open-house, moving to a 4-yr old only program.
- p. June 21 – National Indigenous Peoples Day, school will be visiting Robson Park's
- q. June 26 – Last Day! Grade 6 Walkdown will be at the high school again.

Becky Koss

- r. Science in Motion outreach specialist came out, would like to come the same week of the Dark Sky Festival- we will set that up for next year.

10. Trustee's Report – Absent

11. Next meeting: May 12, 2024 at the Earls back room @ 7pm.

a. Eric/Becky to book the room?

12. Adjournment – 7:56pm