

2021-2022
EWES SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MEETING AGENDA

DATE: NOV 1, 2021

TIME: 7PM

ATTENDEES: ERIN HUBER (CHAIR), SEERAT DECK (TREASURER), DANIELLE OLSON (PRINCIPAL), NICOLE LACOURSIERE (VICE PRINCIPAL), JASMINE REDDEKOPP (PARENT REP), JULIA HAFFORD (PARENT REP), CAITLIN McDONALD (TEACHER REP), MONIQUE SALUD (TEACHER REP)

REGRETS: RUSSELL HOFFMAN (PARENT REP), CODI ENS, ADIN DERENIWSKI, COLLEEN ROWLEY, AMY WINIK

Call to Order – 7pm

1) Motion to Adopt Minutes from September. 2021

A. Julia Hafford– Motion to Adopt Minutes / –Seerat 2nd Motion

2) Errors or omissions to the agenda - None

3) EWES Administrative Report – Danielle Olson

A. Update on three school goals:

i. Literacy goals: helping all of our readers/writers/speakers to improve

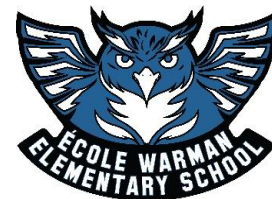
1. New initiative week of Nov 1: the whole school drops everything and reads
2. Show our kids how to transition kids back to class with the help of their teachers
3. Working with Section facilitators from around the division to look at some assessment tools for some of our older grades who do not use the Common Assessment Tools
4. Simple things like goal-setting with our students
5. Involving EAs in helping students work towards their goals and providing them with the tools
6. Reviewing parent engagement in literacy goals



- ii. Reconciliation
 - 1. School committee has been created for this
 - 2. There will be regular newsletter updates
 - 3. Focusing on why we have Treaty and Meti flags and have the school come out and take time to educate students about history
- iii. Mental health and well-being for both staff and students
 - 1. Meeting every few weeks
 - 2. Focus relationship between literacy and mental health/well-being
 - 3. Reassuring students that the whole school is doing this together
 - a. Refocusing kids by setting the ambiance (i.e. turning down the lights etc.)
 - b. Idea of “Fun Fridays”
 - i. Students and staff come in on Fridays
 - ii. Encourage socialization
 - iii. Provide juice boxes—just something fun for everyone

4) PSSD Board – Adin Dereniwski (Danielle Olson read out the Emailed Report)

- A. Sent regrets for this meeting
- B. Truth and Reconciliation:
 - i. Board used day to further educate ourselves and took Four Seasons of Reconciliation module and free online resources
 - ii. Further educational workshops and presentations are planned by division staff
- C. Pandemic funding for Prairie Spirit School Division
 - i. \$6.8 million approved by Ministry
 - ii. \$5.2 million has been spent and/or committed: utilized towards PPE, sanitization supplies, creation of online schools (Spirit E-Learning), for teachers, technology and additional care-taking hours etc.
- D. PEP (Provincial Education Plan) has been designed by the Ministry of Education. Three interim plans:
 - i. Learning response of students: intended to consider the various ways that students are experiencing the pandemic. Focus on meaningful re-engagement and learning for K-12



- ii. Reading to levels: recognizing that some students reading levels have been impacted, especially disrupted during the early years
- iii. Mental Health and Well-being: supporting learning practices and strategies for staff and students. These will be addressed throughout the school year

E. Board Strategic Plan

- i. Board is renewing Strategic Plan. This plan is being developed into a Three Year Plan and is planned to be extended into 2024.
 - 1. Reviewing/inviting feedback from parents/stakeholders
- ii. Exploring learning options for families based on their specific needs (in-school learning, Spirit E-Learning, learning at home K-9 and families that need alternatives to Spirit E-Learning—non-technological option and home-based learning.

5) Old Business

A. Christmas games gift to schools

- a. Most teachers have ordered. Erin Huber has sourced and/or placed orders for most items
- b. Home Hardware took 15% off the purchase (most purchases from there). All games are IN. Nicole Lacoursiere paid for them today and Erin Huber to pick up
- c. Erin Huber to source and purchase rest of games/excess games

B. Gifting Night

- a. SCC will have to arrange a night to gift wrap
- b. Erin Huber to send out an email follow-up to decide date and location

C. Planned to place this order under decentralized funds. This to be amended to put it under the SCC Fundraising/School-Generated Account

D. Decision still needs to be made about how to utilize \$2000 grant in 2021-2022 year

6) New Business

A. Fundraising:

- a. Set new fundraising goals to best support our School Community, Students and Teachers
 - i. Long-term goals that don't fall under Division umbrella
 - ii. Will discuss more at next meeting
- b. Set up a fundraising committee within the SCC Board

B. Set up blurb in newsletter each month: getting to know your SCC, what we've been up to, what is going on—to generate more publicity for us

- a. Seerat has volunteered to do this each month

C. Four Seasons of Reconciliation course



- a. Taking the course will contribute to the Student Goals/Parent Engagement. This will fall under Decentralized Funds.
- b. Planning to arrange course in early 2022. Vote planned next time and enroll members
- c. Partnering up with Traditions Elementary School for the Storybook Walk
 - i. Planned for early 2022
- d. Partnering more with other SCC's in Warman for more inclusivity and broader pool of collaboration (i.e. planning/share bigger events from all the Warman Elementary Schools as a whole)

D. Ideas:

- i. Technology purchases for the future
- ii. Focusing on outside games
 1. This ties in with setting up fresh games in a fun way to keep the students occupied and also bringing in fresh games that don't need equipment i.e. Tik Tok games
 2. Inspires students utilize their imagination and play without equipment
 3. Reviewed bringing in local athletes post-COVID (someone to come in and teach and engage on different types of outdoor play)
- iii. Assembling take-home literacy package for students: providing kids with books, parents with tips, literacy games.
 1. Set aside time for staff to plan
 2. Use the library as a resource to assemble packages for age/reading level appropriate reading
 3. Ties in with mental health initiative
 - a. Encouraging the family connection
- iv. Pizza night for teachers during Parent-Teacher Conferences (2021)
 1. Showing appreciation during busy week for teachers and ties into mental health initiative
 2. Arrange supper for French K program

7) Treasurer's Report – Seerat

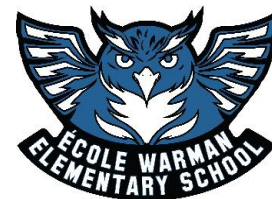
- A. End of 20/21 School Year Fundraising Balance: \$12610.12 (not including cost of magnets)
- B. Division Acc \$3,856.89
- C. School-generated Account: Pizza Night + Christmas Games \$10,789.82

8) Next meeting – December 6, 2021@ 7pm – virtual

9) Meeting Adjourned: 8:00 PM

10) Appendix (added Nov 17, 2021)

- A. Motion to sponsor up to \$50 for pizza for the Kindergarten teachers this week via email



- i. Codi Ens– Motion to Adopt Minutes / –Julia Halford 2nd Motion
- ii. Amy Winik, Seerat, Russell Hoffman –also voted yes