



2022-2023 EWES SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

DATE: SEPT 19, 2022

TIME: 6:30PM

ATENDEES: ERIN HUBER (CHAIR), CODI ENS (SECRETARY) (ARRIVED @ 7:00PM), JASMINE REDDEKOPP (PARENT REP), SEERAT DECK (PARENT REP), AMY WINIK (PARENT REP), JULIA HAFFORD (PARENT REP), (PARENT REP), LAURA DAVIES (PARENT REP), JEANNIE LADE (PARENT REP), DANIELLE OLSON (PRINCIPAL), NICOLE LACOURSIERE (VICE PRINCIPAL), ADIN DERENIWSKI (PSSD BOARD REP), MONIQUE SALUD (TEACHER REP), COLEEN ROWLEY (TEACHER REP)

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- 1) Call to Order – 6:30PM
 - 2) Motion to adopt Minutes from June 2022 - Motioned (?) 2nd (?)
 - 3) Errors or additions to the agenda Seerat added participating in One Book, One School, and following the Willow Book Awards
 - 4) Quick Re – Introductions
 - a. SCC Members, School Staff, and Teacher Reps re-introduced themselves
 - 5) PSSD Board Report – Adin Dereniwski
 - a. The stake holder survey was successful, and results gave an important voice for students and parents.
 - b. The province added \$1.1 million dollars as a one-time addition to the board's budget for this year
 - c. There are still open positions for bus drivers in the division
 - d. There's a Blanket Ceremony coming up in honour of Truth and Reconciliation
 - e. Gift Cards are allowed to be used for student prizes
 - 6) EWES Administrative Report – Danielle Olson
 - a. The Welcome Back BBQ received very positive feedback. Having school supplies at the school and knowing their teacher and classroom had a great impact on first day anxiety for students. We will plan to do something similar next year.



- b. Returning to school groups events such as assemblies, having field trips, guest speakers and performances feel great.
- c. The school councilor now comes four days a week versus three, good thing.
- d. Still moving through getting EDSBY up and running. It's a slow process, but optimistic it'll be smooth in the coming months.

7) SCC Financial Report – Nicole Lacoursiere

- a. Copy of Financial Report (?)

8) Old Business

A. Meet the Staff BBQ

- a. Meet the Staff BBQ went over very well. School was very busy and it was wonderful to get parents and families back inside the school community.
- b. Possible additions next year.
 - i. More activities outside to prompt families to move outside (weather dependent) as the school hallways and classrooms got a bit crowded. Dunk tank, fair games etc.
 - ii. Provide more opportunities for donations
 - 1. Playground Fundraiser Silver Collection raised over \$700

B. Call out for new member – Newsletter?

- a. New member request will go out in the Oct Newsletter.
- b. Additional callouts could come from teacher communication and Edsby if we don't fill the position.

9) New Business

A. How to spend Decentralized funds

- a. Try to touch each school goal throughout the year?
 - i. Literacy – Book gifts at Christmas
 - 1. We will not go forward with classroom book gifts this year.
 - 2. SCC will help to coordinate One Book One School during Jan/Feb 2023
 - ii. Reconciliation – Persephone play
 - 1. Motion to Spend up to \$1500 to cover costs of 2 performances of Persephone play to support Truth & Reconciliation Goals
 - iii. Edsby program – Parent/Student “Easter Egg” hunt
 - 1. SCC Support to develop an Easter Egg hunt to increase Parent Engagement and use of the new school communication tool EDSBY



2. School and School Division still working through kinks in use of EDSBY program
- iv. Parent Engagement in School – Welcome Back BBQ
 1. SCC supports doing another Welcome Back BBQ in Fall 2023, using the lessons learned through our most recent event.
- v. Increased Sense of Community within the school/outside – Halloween Dance
 1. SCC plans to hold Halloween Dance Oct 27 to support a School sense of community and as an opportunity for fundraising for the Playground Project. More details to sorted out at next SCC meeting
- vi. Mental Health – Step up for Mental Health 5K –SCC presence
 1. SCC to show support through presence at the Cameco Step Up for Mental Health
 2. SCC will look for additional opportunities to support Mental Health awareness through the school year
- vii. Long term goals, other SCC initiatives.
 1. Playground Project Fundraising Committee
 - a. A Non-SCC separate Playground Fundraising Committee is to be started to support the required fundraising goals, can be comprised of EWES parents, and other engaged community members
 - b. Codi Ens, Laura Davies, Nicole Lacoursiere
 - i. Call for additional support/members will go out in October Newsletter
 - c. Fundraising Committee will discuss fundraising details/opportunities post SCC meeting close.
- viii. Parent Teacher Meetings
 1. Motion to provide supper for teachers on 1 night of Parent Teacher Interviews
 - a. Motion; Amy Winnik. 2nd Laura Davies

10) Next meeting – Second Monday of the month, 7-8pm?

- a. Next Meeting Oct 11 @ 7pm

11) Meeting Closed @ 7:40pm