



Emily Carr School Council Meeting Minutes (Google Meet)
April 20, 2022 @ 6:30 pm

Present: Keri Coulson, Karen Green, Tanya Monteiro, Lisa Lovric, Derek Black, David Manias, Stephanie Ettinger, Aline Vesely

Regrets: Gerrian MacKinnon, Auramarina Sawyer, Jennifer Neill, Chelsey Wynne, Lana Somi,

1. Welcome/Call to order: Tanya M at 6:32

2. Approval of the Agenda:

- Stephanie: motion to approve / David M: seconded

3. Approval of the February 2022 School Council Minutes:

- Lisa: motion to approve / Derek: seconded

4. Treasurer Report (Derek B):

- Pizza Program: Online and Cash deposits - approx \$3730 received.
- Aline expects about \$1500 profit for pizza
- Popcorn: Revenue of \$1323.62 at this time (will change as more expenses incur)
- Council owes school \$650 (for Scientists in the School) at this time
- Net Income is currently \$7600 but will go down as pizza gets paid
- Question about Gr 8 leaving ceremony and Gr 6 incoming expenses. Derek reduced amounts in order to stretch the bank account balance when no revenue because of Covid. Derek says we can increase the amounts if in-person activities begin again. Keri said that they can plan for Gr 8 leaving ceremony, but they cannot plan for incoming events (ie: visit high schools / invite Gr 5's for visit). Will have an info session for parents of in-coming Gr 5's, but don't know if it will be virtual or in-person yet. Request for using some of \$375 for incoming Gr 6's to coffee/cookies for parents in-person meet. Council did not have a problem with funds being used that way. Council members may also attend that meet when it occurs.
- Question from Tanya as to whether the School is on track for spending the money that was allocated for events such as Scientists in the School. Keri said that 2 classes still need to have them visit. Keri will remind staff that funds are set aside for greening up the yard.

5. Principal's Report (Keri C):

See "Principal's Report" (included below minutes) for details on:

- Welcome back
- Spirit Week before March Break
- Some Covid restrictions lifted – no recess zones and classrooms can be re-arranged and group work is allowed
- Masks are mandatory again
- April 5 / 6 – School photos took place
- School Climate Survey for Gr 4 – 12 was done week of April 4 – 8
- Popcorn sales are up and pizza looks popular
- Question from Derek if year-end trip for Gr 8 is going to occur. Keri noted that they are allowed, but staff is checking with students about interest if something becomes possible
- May 26 / 27 – Immunizations are being done again

6. Teacher's Report (Jenn N)

- N/A

7. OCASC

- Nothing to report

8. Discussion Items

Popcorn

- Stephanie is in the middle of the 10 week popcorn program
- Not sure about cost/revenue at this time – guesses about \$700 revenue
- Thanks to Stephanie for running the program

Pizza

- First day is this Friday. Pizza Pizza is having some difficulties finding a location to supply the pizza
- 211 slices ordered (22 pizzas). In past, ordered 27 pizzas
- Possibility of opening it up again for orders depending on requests
- Council can help with pizza for families that have trouble affording it
- 2 nutrition breaks with ½ kids eating and ½ outside and then switch

9. Approval of Monies

- Nil

10. Meeting adjourned

- Derek: motion to adjourn / Stephanie: seconded

Next Meeting: May 17th, 2022 at 6:30pm

Upcoming Meetings: June 15

Principal's Report

April 2022

Welcome back! It's so nice to be together again. I hope everyone had a great March Break and that you were able to enjoy time with family and friends during the long weekend. To those who celebrated Easter or Passover, I hope your celebrations were lovely. To our families celebrating Ramandan, our thoughts are with you.

It's always a pleasure to walk the "halls" of ECMS and observe and even participate in the learning activities that are taking place. Yesterday morning, I met with a district Mathematics coach and a Gr. 6 teacher to learn about teaching students coding skills using "Spheros". From there, I watched Gr. 7 students choreograph a Dance routine. Further down the hall, Intermediate students were hard at work designing and creating a working recyclable oven. While all this is happening, educators are busy planning for EQAO, outdoor education trips, and other year-end activities.

Prior to the March Break, we enjoyed a fun filled spirit week. Each day featured a theme such as Beach Day, Favourite Character Day and Colour Challenge Day. We wrapped up each day with school-wide Bingo using some student Bingo callers. Ms. McLellan's class won individual popcorn bags for having the most school spirit! A sincere thank you goes out to Ms. McLellan, Ms. Brown and Mr. Carrey for organizing this fun week!

Following the March Break, we saw many of the Covid restrictions lifted. This includes the long awaited elimination of recess zones and the welcomed ability to re-arrange classroom set-ups to include groupings and other creative designs. It is so nice to see our Thunderbirds mixing with other friends and enjoying the full expanse of our school yard. Inside, the feeling is much the same as students get to participate in group work and interact with others more easily than when sitting in rows of tables and desks. Masks are mandatory again in all OCDSB schools and buildings but we remain hopeful that Covid numbers in our community will decrease so that this safety protocol is not needed for long.

On Tuesday April 5th, our Gr. 8s had their School Leaving pictures taken. On Wednesday April 6th, all students had a chance to have their pictures taken. While this may seem like a small event, for students and staff alike, it was huge as school pictures have not occurred in 2 years and are such a traditional event of every school year.

All Gr. 4 – 12 students in the OCDSB will have an opportunity to complete a school climate survey this month. The survey asks students to share their thoughts and ideas about bullying, student engagement, safety and other important aspects of school life. The survey is anonymous, voluntary and confidential and is reported at an aggregate level. Emily Carr students had an opportunity to complete the survey during the week of April 4 – 8. The information that our students provide through the survey will help us better meet the needs of our students.

Our popcorn sales are up and the pizza fundraiser is a hit as well. Thank you to Stephanie and Aline for volunteering your time to these important initiatives.

EMILY CARR SCHOOL COUNCIL
Budget 2021 - 2022 20 April 2022

	Budget	To Date	Actual
	(plan)	(active)	(final)
<u>REVENUE</u>			
<u>Primary Fundraising</u>			
Pizza Program	\$ -	\$ 3,730.80	\$ -
Popcorn Program	\$ -	\$ 1,323.62	\$ -
Parent Involvement Fund	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
Misc Fundraising	\$ -	\$ 2.57	\$ -
SubTotal Fundraising	\$ 500.00	\$ 5,556.99	\$ -
Carryover from 2020/21	\$ 10,189.63	\$ 10,189.63	\$ -
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 10,689.63	\$ 15,746.62	\$ -
<u>EXPENSES</u>			
<u>SCHOOL SUPPORT</u>			
Forest of Reading Books	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
Cultural Literature	\$ 140.00	\$ -	\$ -
Get Real Presentation (Anti-racism / inclusivity)	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
Indigenous Guest Speaker (virtual)	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -
Presentation - Paul Davis (students)	\$ 680.00	\$ 678.00	\$ -
Scientists in the School (virtual)	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 1,395.00	\$ -
School Cleanup (Greening Initiative)	\$ 375.00	\$ -	\$ -
Families in Need	\$ 150.00	\$ -	\$ -
ECMS Staff Support	\$ 160.00	\$ 160.00	\$ -
Grade 6 (Incoming) Orientation	\$ 375.00	\$ -	\$ -
Grade 8 School Leaving Ceremony	\$ 900.00	\$ -	\$ -
SubTotal School Support	\$ 6,780.00	\$ 3,733.00	\$ -
<u>SCHOOL COUNCIL</u>			
OCASC Membership	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
ECSC Operating Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
NSF Fees	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Bank Fees	\$ 27.00	\$ -	\$ -
SubTotal School Council Expenses	\$ 27.00	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 6,807.00	\$ 3,733.00	\$ -
Less Reserve Holdings	-\$ 2,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
Plus Cash Float	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Less Committed Funds (2021/22)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<u>NET INCOME</u>	\$ 1,882.63	\$ 12,013.62	\$ -