



**ECSC Monthly Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, November 15, 2022**

Attendees: Lisa Lovric, Andrea Townsend, Elke Semaraud, Lisa Quarrie, Morgan Wright, Jen Thomas, Stephanie Ettinger, Karen Green, Chelsey Wynne, Susan Dobson, Nina Ryan, Keri Coulson, Nancy Barber.

1. Welcome/Call to Order
 - a. Roundtable and attendees
2. Chairs' remarks
 - a. New members can be voted in this evening if they wish to join the Council. Must fill in the nomination form if they wish to join. There is need for fundraising support, as well as for the pizza program.
3. Approval of Agenda
 - a. Addition of fundraising/pizza to item E.

[Motion to approve agenda by Lisa L., seconded by Steph E. Motion carried.]

4. Approval of September 2022 Minutes
 - a. No changes.

[Motion to approve September 2022 minutes by Chelsey W. seconded by Lisa L. Motion carried.]

5. Treasurer's Report
 - a. 2022/2023 Budget
 - i. In September, the August budget was not covered. Reviewed at this meeting.
 - ii. A number of items were under allocated funds, however, the funds were not spent. These items are now removed. Steph provided a comparison to the September 2021 budget, followed by a review of November.
 - iii. 6218.78, for end of year.
 - iv. In school cash online, have 1400 for the popcorn program. Papa Jack increased from \$16.80 to \$21/box unexpectedly, and this price was not factored into this year's budget, the price per bag will result in a net of \$100. So, \$1400 will not be there.

- v. \$248 was carried over from last year. Parent involvement fund is coming, it is from the board. For bringing families into the school. Would like to be very intentional with the program and funding this year.
- vi. We have about \$4000 to play with, leaving \$2000 buffer for next year if no further income comes into the account.
- vii. Some items are "standard/standing asks", such as the Forest of Reading. Exec has opted to keep these on this year. Also includes Families in Need. Kerri has access to board funding that serves the same purpose, this is likely not needed. Will remove.
- viii. Last year, \$5 was spent on teacher support. (Tim Horton's card as a thank-you) Note: 30 staff members this year, including support staff and principal. Discussion - to increase to \$10. Can students be included in creating a card? Yes, but would not want to leave this as a teacher-supervised activity. For January/Feb.
- ix. Grade 6 incoming, Grade 8 leaving ceremony. Allocated funds were fairly different between pre-covid and covid years. Would like to bring grade 5's to do activities, and include pizza and bussing from Forest Valley. T-shirts are also done, but this comes from the Principal's funds. Cost of pizza and bus have increased, we will need to factor this in to the budget. Allocating \$900 for now. Kerri isn't looking at Grad ceremony just yet.
- x. Keri can provide asks to Steph in December for approval in Jan.

[Motion to approve 2022/2023 budget and report by Steph E, seconded by Elke S. Carried]

6. Principal's report

- Written report provided separately.

7. Teacher's Report

- See report. Earthcare club is starting. Drama club as well. The school has some new equipment such as microbits, which are being used/learned.

8. Discussion

- a. New Council members nominated to Council:
 - i. Andrea Townsend
 - ii. Nina Ryan.

[Motion to approve new members by Lisa L, seconded Stephanie E. All in favour. Carried]

- b. Popcorn program is still running, and will run to March.
- c. Safe & Caring School Committee
 - i. Concerns about bullying in the school, especially between grades eight and six. Lisa, Keri and some of the parents met recently to discuss, review process for reporting, resolving issues. Assembly did review expectations with the student body. There is a

safe and caring school committee, Keri is on it. Committee is new to school this year.

There now is a safe and caring staff committee in the school. Would like to bring students in as the next step. Next meeting scheduled for December 8.

d. Unfinished or New Business

i. N/A

e. Fundraising

i. Pizza can be in January. Nina and Lisa are interested in helping.

9. Adjournment

[Motion to adjourn by Lisa L. Second by Steph E. Carried]

Upcoming Meeting Dates:

January 17, 2023 at 6:30pm

February 21, 2023 at 6:30pm

April 18, 2023 at 6:30pm

May 16, 2023 at 6:30pm

June 20, 2023 at 6:30pm

Principal's Report
November 15, 2022

The colder weather has arrived and with it a return to hats, mittens and jackets. The cold has not impacted the students at recess though as they continue to play 4 Square, football, soccer, basketball and simply socialize. Please ensure your child dresses for the weather as they spend over 40 minutes outside at recess and may have DPA or Phys. Ed. outside as well.

On Friday October 7, 2022, all staff participated in professional learning about learning conditions in the morning. We developed an awareness of the principles of equity centered trauma informed education and deepened our understanding of how to set the conditions for learning that support the well-being and achievement of all students. The focus of the afternoon was about student and school safety. Specifically, we expanded our knowledge of the use of the OCDSB anti-sex human trafficking reporting and responding protocol and enhanced our capacity to deliver health curriculum content based on topics such as consent, boundaries and healthy relationships through resource sharing and collegial consultation. While the content for the PD Day was intense, it was great to be together as an educational team learning together.

On Friday November 11th, we held an in person Remembrance Day assembly in the Great Hall. The students did a wonderful job preparing art for the Great Hall and presenting in both French and English. A huge thank you goes out to Mme Sara for organizing the assembly.

Our football teams recently competed at regional tournaments and represented the school very strongly. Although we did not bring home a banner, we showed true Thunderbird grit and it was so nice to see the students having fun and demonstrating such great sportsmanship. Thank you to M. Hearty and Ms Dawson for coaching these teams.

Superintendent Farrish and Trustee Milburn visited Emily Carr yesterday. We spent over an hour together taking a tour of the school and answering questions. Trustee Milburn and Superintendent Farrish also visited Carson Grove ES and Gloucester HS. Trustee Milburn would love to be invited to an up-come School Council meeting.

Progress Reports will be shared electronically to all families and Gr. 7 and 8 students on Thursday November 17. Parent-teacher interviews will take place on the evening of Thursday November 24th from 4:30 - 7:45 and the morning of Friday November 25th from 9:15 - 12:30. An electronic booking system will be used again for scheduling the interview. In the next few days, teachers will be sending out a link and a code to access the booking schedule. Interviews may take place in-person, via Google Meet or telephone. Although teachers do not have enough time to meet with all families of students that they teach, please don't hesitate to reach out to your child's teacher if an interview is not possible during the designated interview days and you wish for an update on your child's progress.

I am thrilled to report that Lisa Quarrie has been hired as a Math tutor at ECMS. She will be working with small groups of students in their classroom using a learning tool called Knowledgehook. The focus of the tutoring program is enhancing student understanding and application of the Number strand. Welcome to the team Lisa!

In other staffing news, Rob Quinn has returned to his home school of Dunning-Foubert. Caelin Lepin has replaced him as Emily Carr's Chief Custodian.

Unfortunately, we are once again in the position of high rates of staff absenteeism and a very small pool of available occasional teachers and casual Educational Assistants. This is not specific to Emily Carr but across the district and province. While we pull out every stop to arrange coverage for absent staff members, it is possible that we may be in a situation where a class needs to be closed temporarily to ensure student safety. I will inform families as soon as possible if this situation presents itself at Emily Carr but staff often do not know that they will be away until the morning. Efforts will be made to provide asynchronous remote learning to the students impacted where possible. All families are encouraged to have a plan in place in the event that their child's class needs to be temporarily closed.

EMILY CARR SCHOOL COUNCIL
Budget 2022 - 2023 15 November 2022

	Budget	To Date	Actual
	(plan)	(active)	(final)
<u>REVENUE</u>			
<u>Primary Fundraising</u>			
Pizza Program	\$ -	\$	\$ -
Popcorn Program (School Cash Online)	\$ -	\$ 1,411.02	\$ -
Popcorn Program (Cash Orders)	\$ 104.00	\$ 104.00	\$ -
School Council Account (School)	\$ -	\$ 248.68	\$ -
Parent Involvement Fund	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -
Misc Fundraising	\$ 1.54	\$ 1.54	\$ -
SubTotal Fundraising	\$ 605.54	\$ 1,765.24	\$ -
Carryover from 2020/21	\$ 6,113.24	\$ 6,113.24	\$ 6,113.24
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 6,718.78	\$ 7,878.48	\$ 6,113.24
<u>EXPENSES</u>			
<u>SCHOOL SUPPORT</u>			
Forest of Reading Books	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -
ECMS Staff Support	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -
Grade 6 (Incoming) Orientation	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -
Grade 8 School Leaving Ceremony	\$ 900.00	\$ -	\$ -
SubTotal School Support	\$ 2,200.00	\$ -	\$ -
<u>SCHOOL COUNCIL</u>			
OCASC Membership	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
ECSC Operating Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
NSF Fees	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Bank Fees	\$ 27.00	\$ -	\$ -
SubTotal School Council Expenses	\$ 27.00	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 2,227.00	\$ -	\$ -
Less Reserve Holdings	-\$ 2,000.00	-\$ 2,000.00	-\$ 2,000.00
Plus Cash Float	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Less Committed Funds (2021/22)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<u>NET INCOME</u>	\$ 2,491.78	\$ 5,888.48	\$ 4,123.24

POPCORN PROGRAM

School Cash Online Orders	\$2,502.60
Order - Sep. 30, 2022	\$616.98
Order - Oct. 28, 2022	\$474.60

Current balance (School Cash Online account)	\$1,411.02
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TD ACCOUNT ACTIVITY

Previous balance (Aug 31/22)	\$6,113.24
Interest earned (Oct 31/22)	\$1.54
Deposit - Cash Popcorn Orders (Nov 2/22)	\$104

Current balance	\$6,218.78
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