



**ECSC Monthly Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 17, 2023**

Attendees: Lisa Lovric, Andrea Townsend, Elke Semerad, Stephanie Ettinger, Karen Green, Keri Coulson, Nancy Barber, Sara James

1. Welcome/Call to Order
 - a. Roundtable and attendees
2. Chairs' remarks
 - a. Speaker series on Child Wellness and Mental Health, happening Thursday, January 19th.

3. Approval of Agenda

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

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

[Motion to approve September 2022 minutes by Steph, seconded by Karen, Motion carried.]

5. Treasurer's Report

- a. Update on budget: Blackburn Fun day gave us a check.
 - i. We have about 6000\$
 - ii. parent involvement fund is expected to come in
 - iii. Pizza money yet to come.
 - iv. Forest of Reading was less than we anticipated, saved there.
 - v. More staff so more Staff Support spend: closer to 310\$
 - vi. IF we raised no more money this year, we can afford the full wish list, with about 300\$ remainder.

[Motion to approve 2022/2023 budget and report by Andrea T. seconded by Lisa L. Carried]

6. Principal's report

- Written report provided separately. Keri Coulson

7. Teacher's Report

- See report. Noted: appreciation for homework club. Staples does the marker recycling.

8. Discussion

- popcorn: will continue to the first week of March, then a break. Traditionally students carried the boxes and had flexibility to offer on the spot \$1 popcorn. That requires teachers' attention. Steph E will carry on until/if staff wants to take it on. March restart date there will have to be a cost increase to cover small loss. Switching to Wednesdays for popcorn because pizza is on Thursday.
- Pizza lunch from Pizza Pizza: Starts Jan 26th for 10 weeks. A second 10 week pizza program will run after. We'll have an idea of how much money will come in as revenue after first order. Pizza lunch will take place on Thursdays - looking for volunteers.
- Safe & Caring School Committee
 - Planned district committee meeting has been postponed. Keri's meeting will be after THAT meeting. One item identified, issues on the playground are improving.
- Unfinished or New Business
 - Thanks to Steph for arranging cards
- Monies:
 - Need to vote on 3 items:
 - School anniversary \$300.
 - Subsidy for scientists.
 - Left handed guitar.

(Motion to approve spending on items 1 and 3 at \$550 total, by Stephanie, seconded by Andrea, carried)

(Motion to spend \$1800 on item 2. Science, moved by Stephanie seconded Nancy, carried)

9. Adjournment

[Motion to adjourn by Lisa L. Second by Elke S. Carried]

Upcoming Meeting Dates:

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

January 17, 2023

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a wonderful winter holiday and had a chance to connect with family and friends. Our students seemed excited to be back at school last week, after a two week plus one day break. Mother Nature does seem to like to throw us a curveball on Fridays. As you know, the last three Fridays (outside of the designated winter holiday period) have seen extreme weather that resulted in bus cancellations and school closures. I am hopeful that the worst is behind us.

In December, we welcomed Odilia Arrey to our Thunderbird family. Odilia is an Educational Assistant working Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays while Catherine Maloney is on leave. Sean Hayes also joined our team as a Designated Occasional Teacher. We are so lucky to have Odilia and Sean with us!

As you have read in district communications, the Board of Trustees in consultation with Senior staff, are developing a new strategic plan for 2023-2027. The plan will articulate the vision for the District, and inform how we prioritize our work, time, and money. To make the strategic plan meaningful, they really want, and need, to hear from you. Please consider sharing your thoughts and ideas through the various channels available. For more information, please check out the district's website. There is an entire page dedicated to the development of the new strategic plan and ways to offer your important insight.

This Friday is a Professional Development Day for staff. It is designated for teachers to begin developing Term 1 report cards. On Wednesday February 15th, report cards will be sent electronically to all parents/guardians and students in Gr. 7 and 8. While there is no formal Parent-Teacher interview period connected with the Term 1 report cards, you are always welcome to reach out to your child's teachers with any questions or concerns.

Also on Friday, all elementary Principals and Vice Principals are attending Antisemitism Professional Development. This learning will be led by Bernie Farber, Chair of the Canadian Anti-Hate Network (CAHN) and past Chair of the Canadian Jewish Congress. He will be joined by Len Rudner, an Advisory Committee Member to CAHN and past Canadian Jewish Congress leader. Our learning will focus on identifying and addressing antisemitism. This is the same professional development that the senior team attended in the fall. Secondary school Principals and Vice Principals will participate in this learning on January 30th.

The cross boundary transfer (CBT) application period is from January 30 - February 10, 2023. The application forms can be found in the parent portal on the district's website. Students must be registered at their community school for a CBT application to be considered.

I am beginning to plan an information session for families who will be new to Emily Carr in September 2023. I am hoping to host this important event in late February, depending on the availability of the school. It would be wonderful to have members of our School Council on hand during the evening to promote the work that Council does and answer any related questions.

Plans are also coming along for our 50th Anniversary Celebration set for Thursday May 25th from 4:30 - 8:00 pm. We will begin with a meet and greet followed by some speeches and presentations. We will conclude the reunion with more socializing. The committee has been busy connecting with former staff and students, setting up a Facebook page, gathering pictures and other memorabilia and general planning. Next week, students will be working with an Indigenous artist to develop a mural to commemorate our 50th anniversary. The mural will reflect elements of ECMS that were generated by current students and staff and every Thunderbird will contribute to the painting of the mural. There will also be a writing/poetry contest and a spirit week during the week of our formal celebration. To help offset the cost of this fun event and to help us know how many guests to expect, we will be selling tickets to the formal celebration for a nominal fee. More information on ticket sales will be shared once we have this process ironed out.

Thank you to Lisa and Stephanie for all your work organizing the popcorn and pizza sales. They are a huge hit for both students and staff.

EMILY CARR SCHOOL COUNCIL
Budget 2022 - 2023 17 January 2023

	Budget	To Date	Actual
	(plan)	(active)	(final)
<u>REVENUE</u>			
<u>Primary Fundraising</u>			
Pizza Program	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Popcorn Program (School Cash Online)	\$ -	\$ 153.33	\$ -
Popcorn Program (Cash Orders)	\$ 104.00	\$ 104.00	\$ -
School Council Account (School)	\$ -	\$ 248.68	\$ -
Parent Involvement Fund	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -
Blackburn Community Association (Fun Fair)	\$ 231.00	\$ 231.00	
Misc Fundraising	\$ 1.54	\$ 1.54	\$ -
SubTotal Fundraising	\$ 836.54	\$ 738.55	\$ -
Carryover from 2020/21	\$ 6,113.24	\$ 6,113.24	\$ 6,113.24
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 6,949.78	\$ 6,851.79	\$ 6,113.24
<u>EXPENSES</u>			
<u>SCHOOL SUPPORT</u>			
Forest of Reading Books	\$ 500.00	\$ 370.69	\$ 370.69
ECMS Staff Support	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -
Grade 6 (Incoming) Orientation	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -
Grade 8 School Leaving Ceremony	\$ 900.00	\$ -	\$ -
<i>50th Anniversary Celebration</i>	<i>\$ 300.00</i>		
<i>Scientists in the School</i>	<i>\$ 1,800.00</i>		
<i>Left handed guitar</i>	<i>\$ 250.00</i>		
SubTotal School Support	\$ 4,550.00	\$ 370.69	\$ 370.69
<u>SCHOOL COUNCIL</u>			
OCASC Membership	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
ECSC Operating Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
NSF Fees	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Bank Fees	\$ 27.00	\$ -	\$ -
SubTotal School Council Expenses	\$ 27.00	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 4,577.00	\$ 370.69	\$ 370.69
Less Reserve Holdings	-\$ 2,000.00	-\$ 2,000.00	-\$ 2,000.00
Plus Cash Float	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Less Committed Funds (2021/22)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<u>NET INCOME</u>	\$ 372.78	\$ 4,491.10	\$ 3,752.55

POPCORN PROGRAM

School Cash Online Orders	\$2,502.60
Order - Sep. 30, 2022	\$616.98
Order - Oct. 28, 2022	\$474.60
Order - Nov. 30, 2022	\$355.95
Order - Dec. 13, 2022	\$901.74

Current balance (School Cash Online account)	\$153.33
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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	
Deposit - BCA Fun Fair Donation (Dec 6/22)	\$231	
<i>Cheque 811 - Forest of Reading (pending)</i>		\$370.69

Current balance	\$6,449.78
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