



ECSC May Meeting Minutes Tuesday, May 16, 2023

Attendance: Lisa Lovric, Steph Ettinger, Keri Coulson, Andrea Townsend

Regrets: Karen Green, Chelsey Wynne, Elke Semerad, Sara James, Lisa Quarrie, Nancy Barber

1. Welcome / Call to order - Lisa Lovric at 6:34pm
2. Chair's remarks: Welcome - Quorum not met
3. Approval of Agenda (Lisa L)
(Quorum not met)
4. Approval of April 2023 Minutes (Lisa L)
(Quorum not met)
5. Treasurer's Report (Steph)
 - Currently have a balance of \$7,993.65 in our account with 4 cheques written but not deposited. After cheques are deposited, will have a balance of \$5,739.17.
 - Treasurer estimated future money until the end of year.
 - For pizza/popcorn - \$2800
 - Parent Involvement Fund - \$500
 - School Council Account - \$248.68
 - After pending budget items, this will leave a final estimated balance of \$4637.22. Council recommends a carryover of \$2000 which leaves an estimated \$2650.36 to spend this year.
 - Potential budget items - Principal noted that she had spent \$6000 for 5 benches.
 - Further discussion on remaining money can be done at the June meeting.
 - Treasurer noted that she will close the 4 school accounts at the end of June and clear them out.
 - Previously approved items outstanding: Grade 6 orientation (\$500), Grade 8 Leaving ceremony (\$900), Benches (\$700)

(Quorum not met)

6. Principal's Report - attached below
7. Teacher's Report - attached below
8. Discussion
 - Positions for next year - to discuss at June meeting
 - Final Meeting - Where? Lisa will send out an email to canvass council on preferences for location.
 - At June meeting, council will need to vote on money being spent
 - Treasurer asked if she should close out the school accounts prior to the meeting. Chair responded that it wasn't necessary, it could be done anytime before Aug 31st.
9. Approval of Monies - this will be done at final meeting.
10. Adjourn - Meeting ended at 7:01.

Upcoming Meeting Dates:

June 20, 2023 at 6:30pm

Addendum:

As quorum was not met for this meeting, a motion was made and sent out via email to the members:

We did not have quorum at the last meeting so please respond with a 'yes' or 'no' to this motion:

Motion: That the Council approve up to \$100 to be spent to purchase a retirement 'thank you' gift for Keri Coulson (Principal) and for Christine Deschambault (Teacher) who are both retiring at the end of this school year.

The motion was approved.

Principal's Report - May 2023

I hope everyone had a wonderful Mother's Day weekend!

It's been an exciting 4 weeks since we last met. On Wednesday April 19th, I attended professional development on confronting and preventing hate in schools. The PD was offered through the Canadian Anti-Hate Network. Tomorrow, I attend additional learning about this important topic with the focus being the district's protocol for school administrators.

Just Jamaal has been providing poetry workshops for all classes and the students are loving it. Jamaa. He is a local poet who explores the thematic use of language as a portal to public speaking. He supports literacy by exploring language devices such as pattern, rhyme, figurative speech and syllabic metre and explores traditional and contemporary functions of melodic language. Every class will have a workshop with Jammal.

Plans are well on their way for our 50th Anniversary celebration next week on May 25th. We do hope you can join us. We are also planning a fun feeder school day on Friday June 9th. Our incoming Gr. 6 students will participate in engaging activities alongside our current Gr. 6 students.

We have received our tentative school organization for 2023-2024. At this time, our org. is:

- 2 Gr. 6 Regular classes
- 2 Gr. 7 Regular classes
- 2 Gr. 8 Regular classes
- 2 Gr. 6 EFL classes
- 3 Gr. 7 EFL classes
- 2 Gr. 8 EFL classes
- English Language Development (ELD) class!

The ELD class is composed of 12 students in Gr. 6, 7 and 8 who have recently settled in Ottawa and whose learning was impacted in their previous country. The students receive Math, Language and Social Studies (History/Geography) in a congregated setting with an ESL teacher. The remainder of the students day is integrated into a larger class for the remainder of their subjects.

This makes for an increase of 2 classes which we are very excited about.

In-coming Principal Marc Slesar and I are working together to fill our teaching vacancies. I will share the staff assignments in June once we have hired. Christine Deschambault is retiring in June and Grant Lines is taking a leave next year so there will be lots of new faces around the halls of ECMS next year.

Teacher Update: May 17

EF6A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students are working on a French independent novel study where they are studying a character's development throughout the story. We have begun a Social Studies project about an environmental issue. Students will learn about how governments respond to the issue, and will develop an action plan outlining steps the government should start, stop and continue in order to help resolve the issue. In Science, we are working on a biodiversity project about how an individual species affects its surrounding ecosystem. Students will build a game in Scratch to show their species' impact on its ecosystem. Next Tuesday we will have our Scientists in Schools workshop on electricity. We had a visit from Just Jamaal who gave a poetry workshop. Students enjoyed hearing Jamaal's story of how he started writing poems when he was 9 years old, and the power of words. They participated in two writing activities and surprised themselves by being more poetic than they thought they could be!
EF6B	
EF67A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students are working hard on their French Communities projects. They have engaged with the editing process for their journals and are working towards building their scrapbooks from their imaginary trips. Students are starting Electricity (gr 6) and Pure Substances and Mixtures (gr 7) in Science.
EF7A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students are starting their debates about which French song has the best lyrics and message in French. They are also continuing their project about choreographers in Dance. Students are starting Heat in Science and discussing the war of 1812 in History
EF8A/B	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In geography, students are researching a global issue of their choice. Many students are exploring issues that feel personally relevant to them and develop their sense of connectedness to global communities. For example, some students are learning about police brutality and gun laws in the United States. Some are learning about violence against women, such as the inquiry into missing and murdered Indigenous women and children. In language, students are researching powerful words and quotes and preparing a presentation to persuade their audience that the words they choose are powerful. They are practicing using persuasive speaking techniques such as eye contact, inflection, gestures and pausing.
R8A/R8B	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In Geography students are creating islands. Everything from the topographical to the political side of the island. They must use knowledge obtained from lessons to build an island that can function and interact with the rest of the world (government, imports, exports etc.,,).
Clubs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BYE Club: BYE club is working away on their script about Viola Desmond's life. Their goal is to perform this play at the Talent Show at the end of the

	<p>school year. Students have organized themselves into groups to write, find music, create sets and act in the play.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Rainbow Alliance: Rainbow Alliance is looking forward to hosting an Allyship 101 presentation on June 1st as a kick off to Pride Month. This will include some information on the acronyms and flags, as well as how to be supportive of the 2SLGBTQ+ community. Students are also looking to spread positivity during Pride by making colourful posters and by doing a "Chalk the Walk" with positive affirmations and statements (date for that TBA) ● Earth Care club: ● Leadership club: ● Performance Arts Club ● Dungeons and Dragons club: ● Yearbook committee: Yearbook committee has only a couple weeks left to finish up the yearbook! They are currently in the process of taking photos of the different clubs to create pages to celebrate all the fantastic clubs at ECMS. They are also starting to collect yearbook quotes from all grade 8 students (optional participation, not mandatory) via Google Forms. The due date for grade 8s to participate in this is Tuesday, May 23rd.
Sports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Badminton club: Grade 6, 7 and 8 students each get one recess/nutrition break a week to participate in badminton club. Though this club only started last week, there is good attendance to the club and the students enjoy having more time to play badminton with their friends in their grade. ● The intermediate girls and boys soccer team have been practicing a few mornings each week to prepare for their tournaments at the end of the month. Ms Dawson runs stations at the practices to work on shooting, passing and battling skills. Mme Sierra works with the three goalkeepers on skills like catching, diving and booting. ● Jr. Boys soccer - tryouts began in early May - 40 boys came out to tryouts. We decided to bring 3 full lines of 7, in order to allow as many students to play as possible. We have been practicing nearly every day, working on passing, dribbling and moving into space. Our tournament was on May 16. All boys played well and represented ECMS in true Thunderbird style. They were supportive of each other and other teams, and kept a positive attitude throughout the tournament. The boys drew their first two games but lost in their last two, finishing 4th place overall. ● Jr. Girls soccer tournament is May 17th.

EMILY CARR SCHOOL COUNCIL

Budget 2022 - 2023 16 May 2023

	Budget	To Date	Actual
	(plan)	(active)	(final)
<u>REVENUE</u>			
<u>Primary Fundraising</u>			
Pizza Program Jan-Apr (School Cash Online)	\$ 2,320.53	\$ 2,320.53	\$ 2,320.53
Pizza Program Apr-Jun (School Cash Online)	\$ 2,300.00	\$ 4,614.29	\$ -
Pizza Program (Cash Orders)	\$ 828.35	\$ 828.35	\$ -
Popcorn Program (School Cash Online)	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
Popcorn Program (Cash Orders)	\$ 304.00	\$ 304.00	\$ 304.00
School Council Account (School Cash Online)	\$ -	\$ 248.68	\$ -
Parent Involvement Fund	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
Blackburn Community Association (Fun Fair)	\$ 231.00	\$ 231.00	\$ 231.00
Misc Fundraising	\$ 3.02	\$ 3.02	\$ -
SubTotal Fundraising	\$ 6,986.90	\$ 9,549.87	\$ 2,855.53
Carryover from 2020/21	\$ 6,113.24	\$ 6,113.24	\$ 6,113.24
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 13,100.14	\$ 15,663.11	\$ 8,968.77
<u>EXPENSES</u>			
<u>SCHOOL SUPPORT</u>			
Forest of Reading Books	\$ 500.00	\$ 370.69	\$ 370.69
ECMS Staff Support	\$ 310.00	\$ 310.00	\$ 310.00
Grade 6 (Incoming) Orientation	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -
Grade 8 School Leaving Ceremony	\$ 900.00	\$ -	\$ -
50th Anniversay Celebration	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ -
Scientists in the School	\$ 2,820.00	\$ 2,115.00	\$ -
Left handed guitar	\$ 250.00	\$ 180.80	\$ 180.80
Basketballs	\$ 680.00	\$ 680.00	\$ 680.00
Books for library	\$ 140.00	\$ 104.48	
MASC workshops (12 classes)	\$ 1,796.70		
Outdoor benches and tables	\$ 700.00		
SubTotal School Support	\$ 8,896.70	\$ 4,060.97	\$ 1,541.49
<u>SCHOOL COUNCIL</u>			
OCASC Membership	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
ECSC Operating Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
NSF Fees	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Bank Fees	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
SubTotal School Council Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 8,896.70	\$ 4,060.97	\$ 1,541.49
Less Reserve Holdings	-\$ 2,000.00	-\$ 2,000.00	-\$ 2,000.00
Plus Cash Float	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Less Committed Funds (2021/22)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<u>NET INCOME</u>	\$ 2,203.44	\$ 9,612.14	\$ 5,437.28

TD ACCOUNT ACTIVITY*Pending*

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	
Cheque 811 - Forest of Reading (Mar. 1/23)		\$370.69
Cheque 812 - S. Ettinger - GC for staff (Jan. 20/23)		\$310
Deposit - Cash Pizza Orders (Jan. 26/23)	\$350	
Deposit - Cash Pizza Orders (Feb. 21/23)	\$117.50	
Cheque 813 - ECMS Left-handed guitar		\$180.80
Cheque 814 - 50th Anniversary		\$300
Deposit - Cash Popcorn Orders (Mar. 23/23)	\$200	
Deposit - Pizza Payout, \$2 cash (Mar. 29/23)	\$2,322.53	
Cheque 815 - Scientists in the Schools x3		\$705
Deposit - Cash Pizza Orders (Apr 12/23)	\$238.00	
Interest earned (Apr. 28/23)	\$1.48	
Cheque 816 - Scientists in the Schools x3		\$705
Deposit - Cash Pizza Orders (May 15/23)	\$120.85	
Cheque 817 - Basketballs		\$680
Cheque 818 - Library Books		\$104.48
Cheque 819 - Scientists in the Schools x3		\$705
Current balance	\$7,933.65	\$5,739.17