

EMILY CARR



Council

**Emily Carr School Council Meeting Minutes
April 17, 2018 6:30 p.m.**

Present: Derek Black, Rob Cosh, Keri Coulson, Karen Green, Rob Hawgood, Lesley Ireton, Heather Mawhinney, Uzo Onochi-Roy

Regrets: Lara MacDonald

1. Welcome/Call to order at 6:35 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda by Lesley Ireton; seconded by Uzo Onochi-Roy. Motion carried.

3. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve minutes of March 2018 by Lesley Ireton; seconded by Rob Hawgood. Motion carried.

4. Reports

i. Treasurer's Report

- Derek provided an overview of Board Committee of the Whole (COW) meeting proceedings which he and council Co-Chair Rob Cosh attended, and discussions with OCASC executive and other school council treasurers on school council concerns with the Board's plans for school banking.
- School councils' banking is to be done exclusively through their schools by 2020. A key concern is limitations on monthly transactions, e.g. one cheque per month. This measure to ease the administrative burden on school office staff has led some schools to ask their councils to take back banking.
- Lesley suggested a service-level agreement as a means to avoid such restrictions in the future.
- Question on operating expenses – allocated funds will be sufficient as further expenses are not anticipated.
- Motion to accept report by Rob Hawgood, seconded by Lesley Ireton. Motion carried.

ii. Pita Pit Presentation

- Dawn Huntley from Pita Pit presented options for a lunch program for the 2018-19 school year on Mondays. A 6" sandwich ordered through the Pita Pit online ordering system would cost in the range of \$4.00 to \$4.50. Sandwiches would be labeled for each student and bagged for each class. There would be two council payments to Pita Pit – one cheque in February, the second in June.
- There was some discussion and comparison to the pizza program as a fundraiser – for example, selling sandwiches for \$5.00 flat.
- Ms. Coulson suggested that if we undertake the Pita Pit lunch program orders be coordinated with Glen Ogilvie for the convenience of families.
- Dawn will follow up as required by email.

iii. Chair's Report

- Co-Chair Rob Cosh commended Treasurer Derek Black for his dedication throughout the public meetings on school council banking, including an on camera interview.
- Trustee Sandra Schwartz on the Board's Audit Committee approached Derek and Rob about attending the next ECMS Council meeting.

iv. Principal's Report

- See below for Ms. Coulson's full report. Some notable items follow.
- Ms. Coulson noted a math strategy seminar with principals, senior staff and curriculum experts on doing vs. thinking and a "balanced numeracy" strategy.
- Ms. Slater has administered a University of Waterloo mathematics contest.
- WE Day on May 30th will involve Katie Weatherston, Canadian women's hockey Olympian.
- Lesley proposed to work with Mrs. Coulson on an article about Ms. Weatherston and the ECMS thunderbird mural for the Blackburn BANAR.

v. Fundraising Report

- The Chairs thanked Heather Mawhinney for providing a make-up pizza day for a snow day.

vi. OCASC Report

- Rob Hawgood attended the [OCASC April 19th meeting](#), which featured psychologist Dr. Petra Duschner from OCDSB Learning Support Services. Her presentation covered anxiety issues, social and emotional learning, and related professional development opportunities for teachers.
- Discussion of school banking centered on concerns about limitations on monthly transactions and the overall rationale for the move to councils banking exclusively through schools.

Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. by Lesley Ireton; seconded by Rob Hawgood. Motion carried.

Next Meeting: May 15, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

Principal's Report

April 2018

Mother Nature continues to keep us on our toes and required us to implement our School Closure plan for our Safe Schools binder yesterday. While all students and staff made it home safely, there are a few things we are enhancing to improve our School Closure plan. The staff did an amazing job keeping the kids calm and safe and everyone was home approximately 45 minutes after the decision to close the school was made. The power, of course, came back on 50 minutes after the decision was made!

Our School Learning Plan (SLP) continues to develop and take shape. At our last staff meeting, we looked at ways to effectively imbed learning goals and co-constructed success criteria into lessons. We also took part in an "Escape Room-Type" activity that requires students to problem solve and use key content vocabulary. Both activities promoted great discussion and sparked an interest in learning more about these 2 important areas related to our SLP. Recently I attended a Renewed Math Strategies seminar with senior school board staff, Ministry of Education representatives and central Principals of Curriculum. Lots of great dialogue about the tasks we are asking our students to do. Specifically:

- Doing vs thinking
- Coherence – we have great parts but we don't tend to pull things together
- The importance of questioning the question
- Teachers are being successful in their teaching when they are learning

These 4 areas will form the foundation of future PD at Emily Carr M.S.

Melanie Baker-LeSage has been busy planning our We Day that is set for Wednesday May 30th. There will be lots of different activities for the students along with guest speakers. Katie Weatherston, a member of the 2006 Olympic Gold Medal Canadian Women's Hockey Team, is the key note speaker. She will be talking about goal setting and over-coming obstacles. She is also bringing her gold medal, the Olympic torch she carried in her hometown and other medals she has won.

ECMS continues to offer a variety of sports and activities for students. At the Intermediate level, students have been working on speeches. Jackson W. from EF8B represented ECMS at the eastern area speech finals today. While he was not the winner of this contest, Jackson was pleased with his speech and his delivery today. Ms. Slater is planning to lead the Gauss Math contest for any interested Intermediate student. This is a Math contest run through the University of Waterloo. It provides an opportunity for students to have fun and develop their mathematical problem solving ability. Our Tier 1 boys basketball team recently competed at the board-wide tournament where they made it to the semi-finals and badminton season is underway. We will be having a Jump Rope for Heart kick-off assembly this Friday. On Friday May 11 during the last block of the day, we will all be outside together practising different jumps and stunts in support of this important cause. We are hoping that all students will raise some money for the Heart & Stroke Foundation – door to door solicitation is not permitted.

EMILY CARR SCHOOL COUNCIL
Budget 2017 - 2018 30 Apr 2018

	Budget	To Date	Actual
	(plan)	(active)	(final)
			(31 Aug)
<u>REVENUE</u>			
<u>Primary Fundraising</u>			
Pizza Program	\$ 7,300.00	\$ 5,252.00	
Parent Involvement Fund	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	
Misc Fundraising	\$ -	\$ 205.95	
SubTotal Fundraising	\$ 7,800.00	\$ 5,957.95	\$ -
Carryover from 2016/17	\$10,518.89	\$ 10,518.89	
TOTAL REVENUE	\$18,318.89	\$ 16,476.84	\$ -
<u>EXPENSES</u>			
<u>SCHOOL SUPPORT</u>			
Arts / Music	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 111.86	
Classroom Equipment	\$ 1,750.00	\$ 1,729.80	
Grade 6 Orientation	\$ 250.00	\$ -	
Gym Equipment	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 532.15	
Library	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 854.33	
Le Monde	\$ 644.10	\$ 644.10	
Misc. Opportunities	\$ 500.00	\$ -	
School Leaving Ceremony	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	
Special Education	\$ 500.00	\$ -	
Student Leadership Activity	\$ 1,250.00	\$ -	
Technology	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	
SubTotal School Support	\$12,994.10	\$ 6,872.24	\$ -
<u>SCHOOL COUNCIL</u>			
OCASC Membership	\$ 35.00	\$ 35.00	
ECSC Operating Expenses	\$ 250.00	\$ 243.00	
NSF Fees	\$ -	\$ -	
Bank Fees	\$ 27.00	\$ 18.00	
SubTotal School Council Expenses	\$ 312.00	\$ 296.00	\$ -
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$13,306.10	\$ 7,168.24	\$ -
Less Reserve Holdings	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Plus Cash Float	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Less Committed Funds (2017/18)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<u>NET INCOME</u>	\$ 5,012.79	\$ 9,308.60	\$ -

Statement of Cash Flow

Emily Carr School Council

From 1 Apr to 30 Apr 2018

OPENING CASH BALANCE	\$19,395.75
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Cash flow from Primary Fundraising

Pizza Program

Deposit	\$838.85
Payment to ECMS	-\$1,792.98

Cash flow from School Support

Library	-\$387.92
Classroom Equipment	-\$1,729.80
Technology	-\$3,000.00

Cash flow from School Council

Bank Account fees	-\$2.25
Bank Account Interest	\$3.30
Net School Council Expense	-\$6,912.95
Increase (decrease) in cash during the period	-\$6,070.80
Cash balance at the beginning of the period	\$19,395.75
Cash balance at the end of the period	<u>\$13,324.95</u>

Statement of Cash Flow

Emily Carr School Council

From 1 Apr to 30 Apr 2018

Committed Funds:

Committed funds	subtotal:	\$0.00
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Actual available funds - balanced to account statements	\$13,324.95
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Approximate Uncommitted Funds for 2017-18 School Year	\$13,324.95
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