

École Père Kenneth Kearns Catholic School

School Council Meeting Minutes

March 21, 2017.

IN ATTENDANCE	
Natalie Wallace– Chair	
Karen Bohaychuk- Vice Chair	Barb Crowley – Treasurer
Tammy Start-Fundraising Coordinator	Carla Weyland
Leanne DiMarcello	Aimee Banack
Lisa Ritchie	Dora Berry
Wanda Butland	
SCHOOL STAFF	
Mme. Gravelle - Principal	Janelle Trembley

7:00-7:58p.m.: Take the night out of food presentation by Registered Dietician, Wanda Butland.

I. Call to Order

- Natalie Wallace called the meeting to order at 7:58pm
- Opening Prayer Mme Gravelle.
- Approval of Minutes from last meeting, 1st Carla Weyland. 2nd Barb Crowley. All in favour, unanimous.
- Approval of Agenda, 1st Barb Crowley. 2nd Carla Weyland.

II. Old Business

a. Learning Commons Committee.

- This will be a group made up of parents and staff to look at what a learning commons is and looks like for a K-4 Catholic French Immersion School.
- Thank you to the 4 parents that have volunteered so far.
- Meeting to be held on April 6/17. Please contact the school if you have an interest in joining this committee.

III. Reports from Council

a. Administrative Report (Pam G.)

- Merci: Learning Commons: 3 people already - more are welcome! Hot lunch – merci for filling the gap, Merci for completing the surveys (accountability pillar and survey monkey), merci for time and gifts that our executive dedicate to this school, merci to our many volunteers. When new families tour the school, they adore seeing parents in the school volunteering and welcome.
- Learning Commons letter was shared with everyone and invite extended

- New Music teacher next year, excited to welcome Mr. Daniel Holden
- EPK is 50 years old: ideas are welcome to celebrate it in the fall of next year. Shared that FKK housed an English Program, then English and French Immersion programs, then French went to OLPH and FKK was English again, then it was joined by the Ukrainian Bilingual program, then the English and Ukrainian Bilingual programs left, and French Immersion returned....lots of communities were welcomed by FKK/ÉPK
- St. Jean Baptiste de la Salle - April 7 – welcomed brainstorming for ways to celebrate
- Congratulations Lucille MacPherson. We are so proud of her! She was nominated for Excellence in Catholic Education for the Council of Catholic Schools Superintendents of Alberta (CCSSA), was celebrated at the EICS Catholic School Board Meeting on March 15
- House system: shared reason for houses (connectivity), who is in what house, tokens and ethos/philosophy
- Pré-Maternelle/Pre-Kindergarten: Taking over Mon Grand Début from Happy Day and it will now be run by ÉPK
- Requested a fundraising calendar for next year so Social Justice fundraisers are not overlapping PSC fundraisers and we are not overlapping the same community.
- Jump Rope for Heart, chose not to make it a fundraiser as we've had many recently. Instead we are having a 3 pronged focus on health: First – spiritual: Easter, Second: physical, Jump Rope for Heart, Third: Mental Health (May is Mental Health month)

b. Executive Report

- **Family Fun Night (Natalie W)**
 - No new information at this time.
 - **ii)Spring Fling Update (Tammy)**
 - This fundraiser had \$10 000 worth of sales, with a profit of \$2223.30. Thank you to all of the families who supported the event. A special thank you to the EPK staff who supported the event. We continue to look for volunteers for sorting and distributing on April 6/7.
- **Staples Fundraiser (Barb Crowley)**
 - We will continue with the Staples school supply fundraiser. As part of this fundraiser we will include Mabels Labels. Stay tuned for more information.
- **Motion: The funds raised by our Staples School Supply Fundraiser will support the Reading Room program. 1st Dora, 2 Leanne DiMarcello. All in favor, unanimous.**

c. Upcoming Events and Celebrations (Karen B.)

- March 27-31 March Break, No School
- April 5- Early Dismissal and Spirit Day (Sport's Jersey's)
- April 13- Lavez Les Pieds Celebration; Author visit
- April 14- No School (Good Friday)
- April 17- No School (Easter Monday)
- April 19- OLPH Band Concert (9:00am);Easter Celebration (1:00pm)

- April 25- School Council Meeting (Learning Session: Gardening)
- April 27- Jump Rope for Heart (and all week, as each house will be invited to jump more during one lunch recess)
- April 28- No School

IV. New Business

- Assurance Plan Feedback Exercise/Dashboard Survey
 - Mme Gravelle lead us into a rich discussion about the EICS Dashboard and 7 Pillars (Areas) that are evaluated and assessed. The information is gathered from the surveys done with parents, students and staff. Please see the ÉPK website for further details on the Assurance Plan/Dashboard survey.

V. Adjournment, 1st Barb Crowley. 2nd Tammy Start.