# École Père Kenneth Kearns Catholic School

# **School Council Meeting Minutes**

## March 20, 2018

IN ATTENDANCE	
Charles Ward – Vice Chair	Carla Weyland – Treasurer
Diana Gaviria – Secretary	Pam Aloisio
Kyle Chuka – standing in for Heather Bonokoski	Barb Crowley
Leanne Starko	
Natalie Lavigne	
Amanda Gaudet	
SCHOOL STAFF	
Mme. Gravelle - Principal	Mme. Janelle Tremblay
	Mme. Carmen Emery

## I. Call to Order

- Charles Ward called the meeting to order at 7:34 pm
- Opening Prayer Mme. Gravelle
- Approval of Minutes from February 27, 2018 Deferred to April
- Approval of Agenda
  - o Pam requested to add Allocation and Moving Letters to the agenda
  - Motion to approve amended agenda: 1st Barb Crowley, 2nd Leanne Starko

## II. Old Business

None

## III. <u>Reports from Council</u>

a. Administrative Report – Mme. Pam Gravelle

- i. Thank you to:
  - All involved with Pub Night
  - Mme. Emery, Mme Tétreault, Mme Marilyne for organizing La Francophonie
    - Upcoming celebration of French songs and dancing in the gym on Thursday Feb. 22
  - Read-a-thon participants
    - EPK kids raised over \$4,200 for Valeda House!
  - Hot Lunch Program, Club Moo and all other volunteers
- ii. Class Allocations and Moving Letters
  - E-mail went out Monday to parents
  - Asking for parent feedback into classroom allocations (please coordinate mutual requests between parents)
  - If moving schools, please advise the school (not needed if moving from ÉPK to OLPH)
- iii. Compassion for teachers
  - Mme. Gravelle asking for additional compassion to teachers during this uncertain time of year
- iv. Thank you, Mme. Lucille Macpherson
  - For all she has done for EPK
  - She has decided to step down as Assistant Principal, however, will continue as a school counsellor, part-time
- v. Congrats to Sarah Mella
  - who is expecting her own bundle of joy!
- vi. Dr. Carrington (April 27)
  - Back by popular demand, don't miss her repeat Parent Workshop which occurred this past October and received a great response from teachers and parents

#### b. Executive Report – Charles Ward

- i. Playground Committee (P. Aloisio) update
  - Silent Auction was huge success and raised \$9,400!
  - Currently, just over halfway to our goal of raising \$20,000 for the new playground.
  - Plan is to leverage the \$20,000 raised with a CFAP grant for another \$20,000. Total to be used for playground enhancements: \$40,000
  - EPK & Parent Council are looking for any local businesses who might be interested in getting involved with playground replacement project as a corporate sponsor
  - Pam Aloisio will be stepping back as playground chair, but will continue to be involved with the playground committee.

- Natalie Wallace will act as chair in the interim.
- Suggestion: EPK apply to Kinsmen Club of Edmonton and Rotary Club of Edmonton for additional funding for playground
- ii. Purdy's orders ready to pick up
  - \$775 was raised through Purdy's fundraiser for EPK
- iii. AGM (Annual General Meeting) in May
  - Will be looking for parents to fill the following volunteer roles:
    - o Chair
    - Secretary
    - Fundraising Chair
  - We will be utilizing the role of Past Chair with Natalie Wallace staying involved with council as an advisor
  - If you are interested in getting involved with EPK Parent Council or know of someone who might be, please email <a href="mailto:epkparentcouncil@gmail.com">epkparentcouncil@gmail.com</a>
- iv. Boundary Discussion
  - Letters were passed along to trustees with summary note of concerns raised at Feb. 27 meeting
  - Thank you to N. Wallace and Barb Crowley who will attend the March 21 meeting on behalf of EPK Parent Council
- v. Upcoming Events and Celebrations (C.Ward)
  - March 21 EICS trustee meeting 2:30, Board Office near St. Theresa School
  - March 21 3 way conferences
  - March 21 22 Scholastic book fair
  - March 21-23 Class Last Supper/Lent Celebrations
  - March 23 School Closed no school
  - March 26 30 Spring Break (no school)
  - April 2 Easter Monday (no school)
  - April 4 Western Day (early dismissal)
  - April 13 Deadline for classroom allocation letters
  - April 17 Parenting in the Digital Age (5-7 pm Elmwood School)
  - April 24 School Council Meeting (7 pm)

#### c. New Business

- i. Camp francophone alternatives for 2018
  - Traditional camp venue no longer available
  - Looking at Camp Van Es or Strathcona Wilderness Centre as possible new venues
  - Potential plan is to go for 1 day instead of 2

- Parents asking if possible to please honour original 2-day plan
- Dates still TBD

### d. Adjournment

i. Charles adjourned meeting at 8:20 pm Diana Gaviria - 1<sup>st</sup>, Pam Aloisio - 2<sup>nd</sup>