

École Père Kenneth Kearns Catholic School

December 1, 2020 (location: Google Meets)

IN ATTENDANCE	
Monique Gagnon - Chair	Krystal Gaudet - Vice Chair
Lam Le - Fundraising Chair	Heather Bonokoski - Secretary
Renee Melanson	Karleen Jones - 1M
Erin Prefontaine for AM K	Kalay Dumont - 3LA
Lana Panchuk - 4E	Nicole Siegel - K (T/Th) and 3B
Michelle Szott, Trustee EICS	
SCHOOL STAFF	
Mme. Julie Lafrance	Mme. Janelle Tremblay

Check out the ÉPK Website for information and updates on ÉPK School Council:

<https://ÉPK.eics.ab.ca/parents/school-council>

I. Call to Order

- a. Monique Gagnon called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm
- b. Opening Prayer (Mme LaFrance)
- a. Approval of Minutes from November 2020: 1st - Kalay Dumont and 2nd - Nicole Siegel
- c. Approval of Agenda: 1st - Kalay Dumont and 2nd - Nicole Siegel
- a. Welcome Michelle Szott, Trustee EICS
 - Brief introduction - Michelle Szott is Trustee for EICS
 - Thank you to the parents for supporting the teachers and administrators during these times.
 - Despite COVID-19, board meetings are still occurring monthly, every 3rd Wednesday of the month.
 - Meetings are public, next meeting will be held on Dec 16th.
 - Meetings are online, email lisaw@eics.ab.ca to request the virtual meeting link.
 - Meeting highlights can be found on the EICS website. (<https://www.eics.ab.ca/trustees/board-meeting-dates-and-agendas>)
 - Majority of work at the moment is around the COVID-19 response.
 - Regarding the last day before winter break, school calendar as approved by the Board will remain.
 - Still working to support catholic education. Meeting with key stakeholders.
 - Please share any questions you may have with Mme LaFrance.

II. Old Business

N/A

III. Reports from Council**a. Administrative Report (J. LaFrance)**

- We have been very blessed so far and have not had any COVID-19 cases in the school.
- There was one child who tested positive however, the child was never in the school during the time when they would have been contagious.
- Advent celebration on Monday - Mme. LaFrance will send link to parents to view.
- Classes will end for winter break as planned on December 22. No change to the calendar for the start of winter break.
- There will be online classes from January 6, 7 and 8th. Classes will resume on January 11.
- Teachers are preparing the assignments and working to prepare the kids for online learning.
- Parents will hear more shortly about the expectations in terms of hours and approach to online learning for these 3 days. Teachers are waiting for more direction from the government on their expectations before they can communicate with parents.
- Modernization going well and the construction is on schedule.
- The flooring will be completed during Christmas break.
- We will have 2 more modernized classrooms soon.
- Solar panels will be installed on the gym soon. We will soon see panels on 2 sides of the gym and the ceiling. Schools electricity will come mainly from solar power.
- Loose parts is still a success for the kids.
- M. Holden is working on a holiday celebration more information to come!

b. Executive Report - (M. Gagnon)

- Christmas Cards Fundraiser
 - Thank you to all who ordered
 - Thank you to Renee Melanson for organizing
 - Raised \$1400 which will be used to reimburse teachers for their out of pocket classroom enhancements. Expect to pay each teacher \$100.
- Christmas “hamper” initiative
 - Interested in supporting 3 to 4 families in need over the holiday season.
 - We have contacted Krista, our Family and Wellness Support, and have asked her to confirm if anyone could benefit from a small donation from

Council and the Parent Community of EPK. This could include a grocery store gift certificate.

- Reading Books
 - We had been saving for Chromebooks but after discussions with Mme LaFrance, she has confirmed books are more in need at this time since the modernization budget has included the purchase of new Chromebooks for the school.
 - We currently have \$1500 budgeted for Reading Books, however we will look into increasing that depending on the school's purchase order.
 - Student Scholarship
 - Each year EPK and OLPH award a student who is modeling and using their French language with a small scholarship.
 - We have awarded the scholarship to Daytona Dazman (graduate of ABJ) with \$250.
 - FlipGive app (in lieu of Fundsript)
 - A new fundraising opportunity.
 - We were previously planning to launch Fundsript but we have not been successful in getting the information needed from the company.
 - We are exploring proceeding with FlipGive which is similar to Fundsript but does not require us to make one bulk purchase.
 - FlipGive is an app you install on your phone. Each time you want to make a purchase at one of the participating business, you use the app and a percentage of your purchase is given back to the school.
 - With FlipGive there is no need to have an end date on the fundraiser, it can just be on-going all year. Each time you choose to use the app, a percentage goes to the school. No minimum purchase needed.
 - <https://www.flipgive.com/>
 - Continuing to monitor opportunity for Club Moo/Hot Lunch however it is very likely this won't occur this school year
 - Looming
 - Thank you Heather Hill & Erin Prefontaine
- c. Upcoming Events and Celebrations (M.Gagnon)
- Dec 2nd - Early Dismissal/Spirit Day "Crazy Hair Day"
 - Dec 22nd- Last Day before Christmas Break
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 - Jan 6th- 8th -Online learning
 - Jan 11th - Return to in-person learning
 - Jan 19th - First pick up for Save-On receipts
 - Jan 26th - Virtual School Council Meeting

IV. New Business

V. Adjournment

- Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm by; 1st - Nicole Siegel and 2nd - Erin Prefontaine

The next School Council Meeting is Tuesday, January 26th, 2021 via Google Meet

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2019-2020 Year End Review

General Fundraising		<i>(Profit from Fundraiser)</i>	
Hot lunch and milk orders	\$ 18,643.25	\$ 5,410.29	
MunchaLunch Donations (Cx Hot Lunch)	\$ 695.90	\$ 695.90	
Welcome Back Fall Event	\$ 448.82	\$ 448.82	(Dunk Tank and Coin Carnival)
Christmas Cards	\$ 4,531.64	\$ 1,130.82	(For Teachers Classrooms Enhancements)
Perogies	\$ 9,470.00	\$ 1,922.00	
Ohana donuts	\$ 2,255.00	\$ 884.00	
Booster Juice	\$ 5,753.50	\$ 1,333.50	(Loose parts Play Shed)
Mabels Labels	\$ 164.99	\$ 164.99	
Christmas mini photo shoot	\$ 48.00	\$ 48.00	
Cobbs	\$ 61.92	\$ 61.92	
Bottle Drives	\$ 1,062.15	\$ 1,062.15	(Grade 4 Graduation Gifts)
Caring Corner	\$ 118.00	\$ 79.93	
Total General Fundraising Revenue	\$ 43,253.17	\$ 13,242.32	
Interest On Account	\$ 10.11		
Total Revenues	\$ 43,263.28		

Net Income \$ 19,423.53

Bank Balance \$ 27,725.86 as of Aug 31

General Expenses	
Hot Lunch restaurant receipts to date	\$ 9,808.92
Hot dog lunch receipts to date	\$ 1,086.98
Club Moo Expenses to date	\$ 2,958.49
Hot lunch and milk order reimbursements	\$ 2,916.60
Welcome Back Fall Event	\$ 1,393.09
Caring Corner	\$ 38.07
Scholarship	\$ 250.00
Pancake breakfast (Shrove Tuesday)	\$ 231.49
Teacher Appreciation breakfast	\$ 188.56
Grade 4 Graduation Gifts	1241.77
Looming	\$ 62.60
Bussing to OLPH for use of Gym	\$ 639.50
Modernization (Loose Parts Play Shed)	1461.93
For Teachers Classrooms Enhancements	\$ 1,473.65
Council Expenses	\$ 48.30
Bank Fees	\$ 39.80
Total General Expenses	\$ 23,839.75

2020-2021 Budget

Revenue	Date	Budget
Epicure	October	\$ 1,000.00
Donations	(all year)	\$ -
Christmas Cards	November	\$ 1,100.00
Fundscript	(all year)	\$ 100.00
Mabel's Labels	(all year)	\$ 60.00
Shack a Patate (bottles)	(all year)	\$ 2,400.00
Cobbs on Wye	(all year)	\$ 60.00
Total Revenue		\$ 4,720.00
Expenses	Date	Budget
Miscellaneous	(all year)	\$ 225.00
Sneeze Guards	September	\$ 10,000.00
Hot lunch and milk order reimbursements	(February	\$ 5,175.40
Scholarship - ABJ student	September	\$ 250.00
Classroom Enhancement	(all year)	\$ 2,800.00
Epluchette (Corn Roast)	September	\$ 125.00
Loose Parts Play - equip/repair	November	\$ 500.00
Christmas Cards	November	\$ 85.00
Looming	(all year)	\$ 500.00
Caring Corner	(all year)	\$ 20.00
Reading Room books	(all year)	\$ 1,500.00
Shrove Tuesday	February	\$ 250.00
Supplementary Classroom Activities	(all year)	\$ 5,000.00
Volunteer Appreciation	May	\$ 100.00
Staff Appreciation	May	\$ 300.00
Grade 4 Graduation gift	May	\$ 1,500.00
Bank Fees	(all year)	\$ 40.00
Total Expenses		\$ 28,370.40