

École Père Kenneth Kearns Catholic School

April 27, 2021, (location: Google Meets)

IN ATTENDANCE	
Monique Gagnon - Chair	Krystal Gaudet - Vice Chair
Lam Le - Fundraising Chair	Leanne Starko - Treasurer
Heather Bonokoski - Secretary	Jania Balog - 1/2A
Karleen Jones - 1M	Charles Ward (3BD)
Cheyenne Brown (1B and 3B)	Michelle Szott - EICS Trustee
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 7:16 pm
- b. Opening Prayer (Mme LaFrance)
- c. Approval of Minutes from January 26, 2021: 1st - Karleen Jones and 2nd - Cheyenne Brown
- d. Approval of Agenda: 1st - Charles Ward and 2nd - Cheyenne Brown
- e. Welcome Michelle Szott, EICS Trustee

II. Old Business

N/A

III. Reports from Council

- a. Administrative Report (J. LaFrance)
 - Modernization
 - Everything is done inside the school with the exception of some minor paint touch ups needed.
 - Mme Julie will take a video of the school to share with parents and include in the next newsletter.
 - School is looking amazing, so beautiful and free of dust and noise.
 - Landscaping will start soon.
 - Sea cans will be removed from the school grounds soon.
 - The staff have worked very hard at emptying the sea cans and cleaning and organizing.
 - Happy to report we are finally using new gym.

- School life:
 - March
 - Celebrated Le semaine de la francophonie
 - Included having some online readings to the kids in French
 - Le carnival
 - French Artist - Daniel Gervais - a folk artist from Edmonton, played violin and French music for the children.
 - Stations of the Cross
 - Assembly
 - April
 - Easter celebration
 - Easter mass
 - Assembly
 - Reviewed results of school assurance plan
 - Question - Has Julie noticed any changes or fluctuations in responses.
 - Julie indicated no real issues with the responses or surprises
 - Discussion from Michelle Szott, EICS Trustee regarding process for moving to online - decisions are made after a thorough review of the situation within the school. There is a very specific matrix that the school must follow that influences the decision to move online. If the school meets the criteria within the matrix to go online the Superintendent sends a letter to Alberta Education seeking approval.
 - Discussion regarding school boundaries - Would it be possible for EPK to include grades 5 and 6? Julie has indicated there may be room for grade 5 however, not sure about grade 6. Michelle indicated if the Council is interested in exploring this option further the Council could make a presentation to EICS Board of Trustees, they meet every Wednesday.
 - Discussion regarding structure of classes (grades 1 to 4; grades 5 to 8; and grades 9 to 12) - Has the structure been reviewed to confirm whether or not this is the right structure for students.
 - *Action Item - Michelle will ask and get back to us.*
- b. Executive Report - (M. Gagnon)
- CEPAC report
 - Monique attended the Catholic Education Parent Advisory Committee (CEPAC) meeting on behalf of EPK School Council.
 - Superintendent Haggarty provided an updated on Curriculum, Covid, and reviewed when schools close/go online.
 - EPK was the last school to get a positive case of Covid in the school.
 - Superintendent Haggarty described the process in which the Board was taking to make decisions regarding piloting the new curriculum. He

wanted to complete a thorough review of what was involved in “piloting” the curriculum before making any decisions.

- ASCA AGM
 - Monique attended the Alberta School Council Association (ASCA) meeting on behalf of EPK School Council.
 - Involved voting on a 7 resolutions on behalf of EICS.
 - Minutes from AGM will be included on council page.
 - Teacher appreciation (May 7)
 - Council will be providing a small treat for the teachers.
 - Masks
 - Please send your child with a spare or two.
 - Thank you to Krystal Gaudet for her generous donations!
 - Council will continue supplying disposable children’s masks for the rest of the year.
 - Sneeze Guards
 - Will be cleaned, fixed, and stored for the summer.
 - On hand for September if needed.
 - Collecting ideas for repurposing once pandemic is over.
 - Grade 4 gifts
 - Will prepare a gift back with gift certificates.
 - AGM in May
 - The terms are up for all Executive roles.
 - We will be seeking nominations to replace Executive members next year.
 - Given the pandemic all Executive members are interested in continuing next year. This may be easier than handing over to a new Council.
 - If you are not interested in this year but want to learn more please reach out and ask how you can help. We would be interested in creating some shadow positions to help prepare people to take over the when they are ready.
 - Sports Day BBQ
 - Approved money for BBQ during Society meeting.
 - BBQ will be on June 18.
 - Due to Covid we cannot hold the typical sports day with parent volunteers.
 - Hired Shake a Patàte to provide a mini-burger and fry for each student.
- c. Upcoming Events and Celebrations (M.Gagnon)
- May 5- Early Dismissal & Spirit Day *Hat’s On for Mental Health/Crazy Hat Day
 - May 7- PD Day (No school) *Teacher Appreciation
 - May 21 & 24 - No school
 - May 25- Council AGM

- June 2 - Early Dismissal & Spirit Day Beach Day
- d. Curriculum discussion- round table open discussion
 - Open discussion not recorded in minutes.
 - Survey available
 - <https://www.alberta.ca/curriculum-have-your-say.aspx>
 - Contacts for feedback
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IV. New Business

- a. Announcement from Mme Julie Lafrance
 - Mme Julie Lafrance will retire this year, June 30th will be her last day.
 - Mme Jacqueline Dargis-Boucher will replace her as Principle.
 - Mr. Holden will take over as Vice Principle.

V. Adjournment

- Meeting was adjourned at 8:44 pm by; 1st - Charles Ward and 2nd - Cheyenne Brown

The next School Council Meeting is Tuesday, May 25th, 2021 via Google Meet

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ÉPK School Society Meeting Minutes

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I. Call to Order

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II. Approval of Agenda

- a. Approval of Agenda: 1st - Jania Balog and 2nd - Charles Ward

III. Fundraiser Report (L. Le)

- a. Prairie Gourmet
 - Profit of \$2,726
- b. Other Items
 - Reminder to continue to support Mable Labels, Cobbs and Save On Foods

IV. Treasure Report (L. Starko)

- a. Munchalunch Cheques
 - Reminder to cash your cheque before end of June.
 - Most bank apps will allow you to deposit the cheque using the app and taking a picture of the cheque.
 - This is needed to balance Society accounts.
- b. Review of Budget
 - Total revenue so far this year was \$3,541. Remember this was a very light year for fundraising.
 - Prairie Gourmet biggest year yet, amounts will be updated shortly.
 - Expense are on track as per original budget.
 - Pancake budget increased slightly, approximately \$250.
 - Account balance is approximately \$23,000 however, does not include a few outstanding cheques of approximately \$16,000.

c. Approval of BBQ budget

- Monique Gagnon submitted a motion for approval to provide a year end BBQ for sports day. She is requesting Societies provide \$1,500 to pay for the catering of burgers and fries for the kids in lieu of a BBQ.
- Motion approved by Charles Ward.
- Motion carried to a vote.
- All voted in favour to amend the budget to include a \$1,500 for the sport BBQ.

Monique Gagnon - Yes	Krystal Gaudet - Yes
Lam Le - Yes	Leanne Starko - Yes
Heather Bonokoski - Yes	Jania Balog - Yes
Karleen Jones - Yes	Charles Ward - Yes
Cheyenne Brown - Yes	

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School Budget as of April 24, 2021

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General Fundraising to date	(Profit from Fundraiser)	
Epicure	\$ 1,760.00	
Christmas Cards	\$ 1,451.85	(To teachers classroom enhancements)
Prairie Gourmet (Perogies)	\$ 2,736.00	
Mabels Labels	\$ 265.53	
Cobbs	\$ 61.92	
Save On Foods	\$ -	
Total General Fundraising Revenue	\$ 6,275.30	
Interest On Account	\$ 5.04	
Total Revenues	\$ 6,280.34	

Donations to date	
Pandemic Enhancements	\$ 2,575.00
Shack a patate	\$ 400.00
Total Donations	\$ 2,975.00

General Expenses to date	
Epicure	\$ 2,265.00
Pandemic Expenses	\$ 1,328.21
Christmas Cards	\$ 34.74
Christmas Hamper	\$ 700.00
Pancake breakfast (Shrove Tuesday)	\$ 1,212.75
Teacher Appreciation	\$ 19.17
Sports day/Year end bar-b-que	\$ -
Grade Four graduation gifts	\$ -
Reading Room	\$ 4,221.22
Looming	\$ 245.05
Teachers Classroom Enhancements	\$ 89.23
Scholarship	\$ 250.00
Hot lunch and milk order reimbursements	\$ 5,175.40
Council Expenses	\$ 131.78
Bank Fees	\$ 58.00
Total General Expenses	\$ 13,465.55

Net Income **-\$ 4,210.21**

Bank Balance to start the 20/21 school year: \$ 23,634.36
 Current bank balance: \$ 34,824.52
 Cheque's still outstanding: \$ 16,253.22