

ETHEL M JOHNSON SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: November 5, 2024

TIME: 6:00PM

LOCATION: EMJ VIRTUAL MEETING

Attendance: Marina Clark (Principal), Susan Elies-Guss (AP), Zhuoyue Zhang, Samantha Turcotte, Elke Coleman, Jennifer Froese, Amy Jones, Alison Kemlo, Savannah

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER - called to order at 6:05pm by Elke Coleman
2. Introductions
3. Call for additions to Agenda
4. REPORTS
 - PRINCIPAL'S REPORT
 - i. Thank you to School Council for the Halloween Dance, and Grade 6 Outdoor School
 - ii. CBE Reports
 - A. Demographic Forms are being sent home to about 48 families who have not filled out the forms.
 - B. November 8, 2024, will be CBE Professional Learning Day. Teachers will learn further from an Indigenous Team about Truth & Reconciliation, and how they are living on Treaty 7.
 - C. December 2024, Knowledge Keeper, Hal Eagletail, will be in the school with the students - dates to be determined.
 - iii. Fall RAM (Resource Allocation Method) was completed on September 30, 2024
 - iv. One-Time Alberta Education Funding
 - A. increased enrollment allowed for the funding, which allowed more staff available.
 - v. Staffing update
 - A. Grade 5/6 - Mrs. Nelsen has taken her Maternity leave. Hired Dayan Musselman until December 20, 2024
 - B. Grade 2/3- Mrs. Brown returns mid January 2025
 - C. EES - Ms. Thomas - taken a new position elsewhere (admin will be interviewing)
 - D. EES - Ms. Shivani - on leave until winter break (Ms. Amanda has stepped in)
 - vi. September 30 Budget - Staff Changes
 - A. Grade 4/5- Ms. Helen is full time
 - B. Grade 5/6- Ms. Olson - on temporary contract
 - C. Ms. Laney - 1 extra day
 - D. Ms. Musselman - will fill in where needed
 - E. Welcome Ms. Kayla - new Education Assistant
 - F. Welcome Ms. Arpine - new EES Education Assistant
 - G. Posted a Part Time position for an Education Assistant for Division 2

vii. School Development

- A. how to get more Grade 4-6 Families engagement to fill out the survey.
- B. need a certain number of surveys to have the results released.

viii. Teacher Conferences at the end of November

ix. Music Concert December 5, 2024, for both Division 1 & 2

x. Grade 4/5 - asking for the Telus Spark Coding Residency again. They are waiting on some dates, hopefully in December, before they have a total. Paid through Casino Funds.

- COUNCIL REPORT

- I. Fundraisers for the year

- A. Fill Your Freezer

- i. Cookie dough in November

- Name of company we are using this time?

- Look into "Venture"

- ii. Meat in April

- B. Fun Lunches have been set up thanks to Amy Jones

- II. Gingerbread House Night

- A. Nov 28th 2024..... Need to change Date

- B. Date changed to December 12, 2024

- C. Jen will pick up the houses

- III. Christmas Market

- A. Mrs. Peterson is working on getting the fair donations

- B. Christmas Market to run December 2-6, 2024

- IV. Book Fair

- A. Books to be delivered to school on November 28, 2024

- B. Book Fair to run December 2-5, 2024

- V. School Dance - Spring Dance - Thursday May 1, 2025

- A. still on

- B. DJ has been booked

- C. Use Sign-Up Genius to get more Volunteers

- D. Council to get a couple Gift Cards for Facility Staff as a Thank You for cleaning up after events

- TREASURERS REPORT - Jen Froese

- i. EMJ Financial Report - see attached

5. OTHER BUSINESS

- AGM Will be held during next EMJ Meeting
- Next meeting Dec 10, 2024
- Open Floor- Q&A Period
 - i. Clothes Swap - families donate their children's clothes that no longer fit, clothes are then separated into sizes, and all school families can go through and take what they need for free. The remaining clothes will be distributed throughout the school or donated. - Samantha Turcotte will organize.
 - ii. December Mitten Drive - students would be asked to bring in mittens to store at school, as there is a huge need for mittens, the class who brings in the most would win a Pizza party. - Susan and Marina will discuss with teachers

6. MOTION TO CLOSE: Motion to close at 6:55pm by Elke Coleman