



SCHOOL COUNCIL AGENDA - AGM Minutes

Date: November 13, 2023

Time: 7:00pm

Location: _EPC

Attendees: Nicole Schweer, Annie Karczmarcyk, Serena Henderson, Corrine Hetu, Kathleen Butler, Andrea Bickerstaff, Sheena Garton, Stacey Mabey, Laurie Kiselyk, Mike Kanarek, Ryan Mann, Andrea Kocher, Shelley Jackson, Tenille Hefferan, Cindi Sawchuk, Carmen Allen, Carolyn Smith-Kwasney, Ida deChamplain, Janelle Duplessis, Jolene LeSage.

- 1) WELCOME!!
- 2) CALL TO ORDER at 1903 by Nicole
- 3) REVIEW OF AGENDA & MINUTES
 - ❖ Correction: no corrections
 - ❖ Approval: approved
- 4) EPC School Council Chair Report/Items Brought Forward:
 - ❖ School Council ideas for this year:
 - Mechanics program (no teacher)
 - Welding program- going well, but needs more funding
 - ❖ Council of School Council Meeting Tuesday Nov 14th in Smoky Lake. Chair and Vice Chair of EPC will be attending.
 - ❖ Transitional Planning / Info Sharing / Council Communication
 - Swift email seems to be best
 - ❖ Volunteers needed to assist the Drama Play - Little Women
 - November 30th PM 5-9pm, December 1st PM 5-9pm
 - December 2nd Matinee
 - Need volunteers for tickets and snack booth
 - Contact: EPC Parent Council: epcparentcouncil@gmail.com
 - ❖ Tabled Item - Volunteer options sent out to parents via Swift then if large group needed use things such as “Volunteer Sign-Up”
 - Ryan Mann is contact for criminal/vulnerable checks
 - Possible use of App- tabled for now. Need to research options
 - ❖ Tabled Item - Clarity of CRC/Vulnerable Sector Checks and the Standardizing of renewal across the Division. Division office says Every member of School Council / Volunteer must have CRC and Vulnerable Sector Check done annually. Will gain more clarity from CoSC meeting

Tuesday.

- ❖ Tabled Item - Invite went out to Superintendent with meeting dates - waiting for a response.
- ❖ EPC Nutritional Value at the Canteen / Vending Machines.
 - EPC is not becoming an Apple school.
 - There are healthy options in the office.
 - Canteen menu will be reviewed and circulated to those in attendance - remembering that she is a private business with a contract.
- ❖ FYI - FLA 10-20-30 as an option via vista virtual for French Immersion students.
- ❖ Tabled Item - French Immersion/Hockey Academy schedule conflict. Works this year to do both.
- ❖ Tabled Item - Grad/Prom Funding. Stacey to arrange a grad meeting with parents. Has already met once with grads at school.
- ❖ Dress Code- handbook is under review. Difficult to police.
- ❖ Tabled Item - ASCA Grant = \$500.00 to spend. TBD.

5) EPC School Administration Report:

- ❖ Working on website and handbook updates
- ❖ Oct 10- Truth and Reconciliation day. Teepee a huge success
- ❖ Oct 25- Skills Canada day
- ❖ Hallowe'en- costumes/activities a success
- ❖ Awards night- great turnout
- ❖ Remembrance Day assembly
- ❖ Cross Country running teams competed
- ❖ Volleyball- ongoing for Sr high
- ❖ Drama group- to Citadel
- ❖ Little Women Drama- Nov 30/Dec 1/Dec 2
- ❖ Teachers are short staffed- recruitment difficulties
- ❖ Bussing issues- looking at different bus options
- ❖ Grad meeting- May 25th is Commencement

6) EPC School Board Trustee Report:

- ❖ Newsletter out
- ❖ Viability study- for Rochester
- ❖ Student voice- grade 6 governance
- ❖ Students to participate in board meetings
- ❖ School calendar- plans to start 3 days later for 2024/25 year

7) EPC Fundraising Committee Report:

- ❖ No update as meets every 2 months

- 8) Parking Lot for concerns to be brought up at next meeting:
- ❖ Tabled Item - Volunteers to assist students one-on-one as needed academically as directed by the school?
 - ❖ Improve online courses / online options.
 - ❖ Dual Credit and Collaborations with AU and other community agencies
 - ❖ Zero tolerance for Drugs and Alcohol?
 - ❖ STEM options - coding and computer sciences specifically
- 9) NEXT MEETING DATE: December 11th, 2023, 7PM
- 10) MEETING ADJOURNED @ 21:07

