



# SCHOOL COUNCIL AGENDA

**Date:** MARCH 6, 2023

**Time:** 7:00pm

**Location:** 109-D EPC

Attendees:

- 1) **WELCOME!! CALL TO ORDER @ \_\_\_\_\_ & SIGN IN** (attendance sheet and online)
  - *Secretary to include names of online participants on sign in sheet.*
- 2) **REVIEW OF AGENDA & MINUTES**
  - ❖ Corrections:
  - ❖ Approval:
- 3) **REPORTS:**
  - ❖ **SCHOOL COUNCIL CHAIR REPORT:**
    - i. Anxiety Workshop with Jackie – Michelle.
    - ii. Can we add executive members names if council comfortable / or just Chair and parent council email link to EPC website?
  - ❖ **EPC SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION REPORT:**
    - i. How did School Dance go?
    - ii. Cell phones- Blocking Social Media only.. - Mr. Nolan to bring topic to staff meeting to discuss. Meeting is Jan 30<sup>th</sup>. He will also discuss with colleagues at Elk Island Park Division as they trialled no cell phones. – *THIS ITEM TABLED FROM LAST MEETING.*
    - iii. Volunteer List – any replies?
    - iv. Parent Survey went out – close March 7/23
  - ❖ **SCHOOL BOARD TRUSTEE REPORT:**
    - i. Unable to attend. **Will address the following at the Next School Council Meeting.**
    - ii. **BUSSING BOUNDARIES.** French Immersion Students being “denied bussing to EPC due to boundary set by Aspen View. If our community is the closest community offering FSL studies – why is this not given, especially since our busses go right by some of those locations?” Can we have greater discussion with this, for all children - ?drop off location? – potential of small community school closing? What will happen then.  
“People have moved to our community because of our great FSL program and its reputation. Which I believe we take pride in.... only to be denied d/t bussing and being told that only option is to switch to English as small local school. “
    - iii. With the new budget out, as emailed on Feb 28/23, from Education Minister Adriana LaGrange - “\$414 Million for local authorities to put towards transport, will this help these students gain access to our bussing?”

❖ **FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE REPORT:**

- i. Nothing to report

❖ **PARENT ITEMS:**

- i. **RAP/WORK EXPERIENCE** – *“Can homeschooling students in our area access “Careers” for out at ALPAC?”* – Des going to look into this
- ii. **IXL MATH** - A family membership to is \$12.95/mo, English is \$12.95/mo and a combination of Math/English is \$19.95/mo.
  1. *“What was the cost of the IXL license for Aspen View in comparison to the cost of Mathletics for piloting a few licenses?”*
  2. *What will be the cost of Mathletics if it will be rolled out across the division?*
  3. *Is one program better than the other?*
  4. *It appears Casino proceeds Under the AGLC Charitable Gaming Policies Handbook would cover the IXL license: 5.10.2 - Gaming proceeds may be used to support curriculum enhancements that contribute to student learning development, such as: (c) resource materials excluding required textbooks (e.g., library books, online learning applications/readers, subscriptions);?”*
- iii. **“NO BUS DAYS”** – *“It is understood that they can’t introduce new material. Some teachers let them watch movies rather than extra help/review. It’s a lot of missed learning time.”* – Discussion –
- iv. **ASCA GRANT MONEY** remaining \$540. We need to decide how to spend this and vote. Nicole planning on going to ASCA conference with representative from Boyle.

❖ **STUDENT FEEDBACK:**

- i. Splitting student activities (ex. Dance/school council) Jr high and Sr High? Greater attendance?
- ii. Cheer team – Games and Pep-Rally?
- iii. Student Council *“Continue to raise money to put on more spectacular events for EPC students. There will be several theme days and events planned for the rest of the year at our next meeting on Tuesday, March 7.”*

❖ **ITEMS TABLED FROM LAST MEETING:**

- Family lunch - potential date – May 5<sup>th</sup>/23
- Literacy ideas – more to come. Lots of ideas for the future.
- End of year school tour for newcomers (including parents) – lead by Student & Parent Council? End of current school year? June?
- Junior High Science fair- April 27 9:30-12pm- **need 8 parent volunteers to judge- lunch will be provided to volunteers**
- Lanyards/shirts for parent volunteers – being made. Find event coordinator and they will have them for you. Remember to hand them in when you leave event.

4) **NEW BUSINESS / UPCOMING EVENTS:**

❖ **Science Fair – NEED VOLUNTEERS**

❖ **Predators Athletic Banquet – Beginning of June - details? School still discussing this.**

❖ **Rural Health Care day – March 23/23**

5) **NEXT MEETING DATE: May 8<sup>th</sup> 2023 7pm.**

6) **MEETING ADJOURNED @ \_\_\_\_\_**