

# MINUTES

## EPC Parent Advisory Council

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*October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021, Meeting called to order by Jamie Dreger*

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### In Attendance

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Des Nolan, Jamie Dreger, Mark Neeves, Karen Richards, Jody McGarry-Liddell, Annie Karczmarzyk and Dennis Mac Neil.

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### Approval of Minutes

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The minutes were approved by Mark and second by Karen.

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### EPC Parent Council Chair

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Jamie is optimistic about new members joining this year. Jamie will be making social media posts to remind the community about meetings. A secretary and vice chair are still required for the year. Annie suggested to announce agenda items to provide people with a context of what will be discussed.

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### EPC Principal Report

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EPC will provide the zoom link for meeting this year and email it to families. Des noted the masks policy is a struggle to monitor and some families are resistant to the mandatory mask policy. The students have begun the school year with enthusiasm the teachers all appreciate the buzz that has returned to the school. Des appreciates the rumors of mandatory vaccines being addressed by Aspen View quickly and noted that due to the anxiety of vaccines 10 students have left the school. This year EPC has 690 students which is still average. The new hockey academy that is offered for grade 8 and 9 is doing exceptionally and is well received by the community, there are hopes to have a fine art and multi sports academy in the future for EPC. EPC has 37 teachers, 25 support, 3 certified bus drivers, this year there is a need for substitute teachers Des is spending more time than usual covering in other classes than normal and is hoping to fill those positions.

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### Fundraising Society Report

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Marilyn has resigned as vice chair all other members will stay for 2021-2022. The casino went well despite being postponed.

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### Aspen View Public School Board Trustee Report

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Annie thanked everyone for coming together and encouraged everyone to vote.

Dennis acknowledged world teacher day is October 5<sup>th</sup>.

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### Announcement/ Round Table

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Parent Council will align with the fundraising society's meetings for convenience. Jamie is going to create an info flyer to be posted on fb and emailed to families to provide insight to what the council does.

Annie and Dennis were acknowledged for their dedication to their positions, everyone wished them luck for the election on October 18<sup>th</sup>

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### Next Meeting

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November 1<sup>st</sup>, January 10<sup>th</sup>, March 10<sup>th</sup>, and May 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 7:00 via zoom

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 accepted unanimously.