Elizabeth Rummel School Council & Foundation Tuesday, December 10, 2024 **Minutes**

Chair - Trevor Vice-chair - Caitlin Secretary - Jaimie

Fundraising Coordinator - Amy

Pizza/Volunteer Coordinator - Laurin **Grant Coordinator- Vacant**

Social Media - Vacant Treasurer - Joanna

Present	Absent
Trevor, Caitlin, Maya, Brian W., Nicole, Brian C.	Joanna, Laurin, Jaimie, Amy

Action
 a. Introductions i. Meeting began at 6:37 PM ii. Brian C message from Board of Trustees, second meeting attended this year b. Approval of this Agenda i. Approved
Presentations: N/A
Past Business 1. Council of Councils Meeting

- - a. Question regarding minutes from Council of Councils meeting and can they be shared. **Action:** Brian W. to get copy of minutes and share with ERS Council
 - b. Brian C. offer to share conceptual plans for LGMS lands development in New Year after submission to Town of Canmore
- 2. Speaker Series: Nicole Update on Speaker?
 - a. Tanya Keto: Avery Family and School Psychology Services
 - Open to presenting on a parent info night (\$250/hr), have done a session with teachers
 - ii. Action: Trevor to email a couple of dates out to Parent Council to make sure there is a fit amongst council members, then will move on to setting a date with Tanya for a parent session.
 - b. ERS Staff
 - Tips and tricks for supporting your child with home reading
 - Plan for first week of February after report cards/provincial assessments
 - iii. **Action**: February 12 is the suggested date
- 3. Fundraiser Coordination Update
 - a. Will focus on coordination with school fundraisers, not all fundraisers happening in community. Look for coordination/cooperation.
 - **b. Action:** Trevor to follow up to build a framework of understanding amongst schools doing fundraisers.

New Business

- 1. Funding Request for New School Logo Design
 - a. Discussion around request of \$3,000-5,000 for Jason Carter to design new school logo. Idea to have learning tree with 5 animals representing each grade (K-4). Knowledge Keepers have given feedback on what the five animals should be.
 - b. Discussion points centred around cost, looking at funding from other organizations (Rotary as an example), potentially, reaching out to the Canmore Artists Guild for other artists, the legacy that this project would bring to the school, and acts of reconciliation and using an Indigenous artist from the area.
 - **c. Action:** Follow up at next meeting when more Parent Council members present and after a potential email conversation
- 2. Future Meeting Dates
 - a. Asked school administration if there were any dates that did not work for them.
 The 3rd Wednesday of every month is the Board of Trustees meetings.
 - **b. Action:** Trevor to send out email to Parent Council members to discuss if 2nd Wednesday of every month works as a meeting date and if not, to discuss other options.
- 3. Vacant Positions:
 - a. Caitlin to fill Vice Chair position
 - b. Becky Social media coordinator with Laurin? **Action:** Confirm if Laurin and Becky are okay with this role.
 - c. Maya remains member at large for now
 - d. Succession Planning: Treasurer Adam Becker to shadow Joanna for remainder of school year and take over Treasurer role in 2025-2026 school year.

Information / Discussion

- 1. Playground Chatter
 - a. Parking in no-parking zones at drop-off has been an issue, Brian to have reminder sent out to parents.
 - b. Gaga Ball Pit questions about when its closed due to weather and how the grades are assigned.
 - c. Special reward days in classrooms: concerns over notice to parents, especially those needing accommodation for their child due to medical/dietary reasons
- 2. Principal Report
 - a. See below
- 3. Treasurer Report

Bank balances as of November 30th:

Fundraising: \$19,960.67 (Inflated due to Save on gift cards payments received)

Casino: \$2.43

Term deposits: \$60,000

In November we paid for:

- i. \$1930 for 2 pizza days
- ii. \$3981.44 to ERS for musical instruments (shared with CRPS board)

- iii. \$425.25 for the movie license
- iv. \$15.73 for the movie
- v. \$8737.50 for the gagaball pit and basketball nets (shared with CRPS board)
- vi. \$5316.16 to ERS (\$592.83 for Parent teacher interview snacks, \$1038.86 for art supplies, \$752.25 for online reading, \$2466.83 for gym supplies including basketballs, soccer balls, dodgeballs, hockey net, \$261.35 for library bags and \$204.04 for tinkering lab supplies)

We fundraised \$1055 from PEKA buying their Christmas gift cards through us.

The holiday save on gift card order will bring in \$2285

4. Fundraising Report

- a. Via email: The Save on card order was successful with a grand total of \$3340 raised. I've dropped the cheque off and should hear back later this week when card pick up is and then I will set up a pick up time at school to hand them out.
 - b. Request from School Administration: would like to purchase math learning resources to support all grade levels. Cost between \$200-300.
 - c. Action: Review and approve at next Council meeting.
- 4. Volunteer Coordinator Report
 - a. none
- 5. Grants Coordinator Report
 - a. None
- 6. Social Media Report and Requests
 - a. None
- 7. Chair/Vice Chair Report
 - a. None

Adjournment: 7:45

Principals Report - December 10th, 2024

Update on the Outdoor Learning Centre:

Grade 2's have had two experiences already. One to Banff to study land formations and learn the history of Sleeping Buffalo. The other to the outdoor learning centre where students learned how FMNI use of materials is informed by traditional knowledge, time of year, availability, taking what is needed and respect for the land. They also explored examples of objects made from natural materials that are created and used by the FNMI. The Knowledge Keepers were

present as well.

respect for the land

Grade 4's at the OLC investigated how particles of matter behave when heated or cooled and analyze the effects on solids, liquids, and gases.

All Activities by the OLC are Pauw Foundation funded

On December 4th the Knowledge Keepers Ollie and Virgle visited 6 classrooms sharing stories and building foundational knowledge of Indigenous ways - Very well received.

Downhill Skiing and Snowboarding program starts in January and February for grade 3s

Cross Country Skiing starts in January 2s

Skating for Grade 1s

Swim to Survive - Grade 4s some already are in it, others after the break

Again, all costs are covered by the Pauw Foundation funded again

CODING with Mr. Larson and the Grade 4s have begun with our Beebots.

Grade 4s have engaged with Ever Active Schools and had two full session of becoming Change Makers. Student change-makers are crucial in creating healthy school communities, students will strongly influence the culture at your school. All students bring unique skills, strengths and knowledge into the school community. This is why it's important to provide students with meaningful and engaging opportunities to lend their voice to the school community.

Grade 2-3 Winter Concert was held on December 4th: It was a huge success and an amazing turnout. Thank you to the Parent Council for the support of purchasing new sound systems. They were fantastic.

Shared Vision of Learning: Look to see the bulletin boards for updates.

PLN with staff on Friday afternoon: Part two of learning about Neurodiversity and how to support and understand:

Kat from RFTS running games club and lego club (3s and 2s)

We have next week our Grade 7 students pairing up with our Grade 4 students. Grade 7s wrote Xmas letters and will pair up with the grade 4s. We are making connections early (grade 8s when they are grade 5s next year).