

**Ecole Edwards School Council**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Oct. 18, 2017**

The Parent School School Team: Chairperson – Melanie Gaze, Vice Chairperson – Corinna Vincent, Treasurer – Denise Deere, Secretary – Christie Jensen, PACE chairperson – Rebecca Nielsen, Fun Lunch – Jen Patterson & Nicole Dufort, Student Care – Nicole Walker.

Call to Order by Chairperson Melanie Gaze at 6:30pm

1. Peter shared an administration report

- population is 738
- KG FI (4 classes), KG Eng (2 classes) Grade 1FI (4 classes), Grade 1 Eng (2 classes), Grade 2FI (3 classes), Grade 2 Eng (1 class), Grade 2/3 FI Blend (1 class), Grade 2/3 Eng Blend (1 class), Grade 3FI (3 classes), Grade 3 Eng (2 classes), Grade 3/4FI (1 blended), Grade 4FI (3 classes), Grade 4 Eng (2 classes), Grade 5 FI (3 classes), and Grade 5 Eng (2 classes)
- Makerspace: Our new makerspace being developed is located in the former downstairs music room. Makerspaces provide hands-on, creative ways for students to design, experiment, and invent as they engage in science, engineering, and tinkering. This developing focus will necessarily include professional learning for staff and the incorporation of community partners and financial investment through the school for students to be able to pursue their creative interests, passions, and innovation potential. Many thanks to families that have also been donating materials for student creations.
- Annual School Results Report was presented. Ecole Edwards is doing well compared to other Rockyview schools and to the province. Of course there are areas to work on, great feedback tool as it comes from parents, teachers, students, and administration. Full survey will be on the website under publications by December.
- Gym Themes:
  - Sept - Locomotor skills (Learning Gym skills - safe movement)
  - Oct - Games (goal oriented)
  - Nov - Games (goal oriented)
  - Dec - Dance
  - Jan - Gymnastics (rhythmic/mat work)
  - Feb - Snowshoeing, Inuit games,
  - March - Gymnastics (large equipment)
  - April - Games - Parachute & Jump Rope for Heart; Rocks and Rings-curling
  - May - Games - net and wall
  - June - Individual activities: Track and Field

Halloween:

- Oct. 30 at 2:45PM- Halloween Safety Presentation by RCMP (glow sticks for student)
- Oct. 31 at 10:30AM- Grade 1 students to George Mac to Trick or Treat
- Oct. 31 at 1:15PM- Costume Parade
- Cold Weather Reminder: Families are kindly reminded to ensure students come to school dressed for the weather. We now have three recesses and students go outside as long as it is -20 or warmer.
- Remembrance Day Assembly: November 10th (morning)

- Staff Professional Learning for October: Joyful Literacy conference, Mind Up training, Reading workshop, Writing workshop, Mandt training, RVS UX Cohort
  - Literacy Update: Classroom teachers have completed student reading assessments. Our next steps include discussing the findings during grade team collaborative time with Learning Support to create strategies to support all readers.
  - Future Presentations: Are there presentations that School Council feels would be valuable for future meetings?
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2. Melanie called for nomination for Vice Chairperson. Denise moved to elect Corinna Vincent for the position. No other nominations, all in favour.
  3. Cookie Dough fundraiser is going well, with a good amount coming to us, approx. \$4800. November 9<sup>th</sup> is the pickup.
  4. Staff appreciation dinner is coming up on Showcase nights. A sign up genius will go out for volunteers.
  5. Erin Quiring shared on behalf of the Canadian Parents for French chapter has a new board. Yeah.
  6. Next month will we have the Grade 1 and 5 update.

Next meeting is Nov. 22 at 6:30pm in the Learning Commons

Meeting adjourned at 7:50pm.

Contact Parent Council if you can help out on any committee, [eeschoolcouncil@hotmail.com](mailto:eeschoolcouncil@hotmail.com) or on our Facebook page.