

Ecole Edwards School Council
Meeting Minutes
February 25, 2019

The Parent School School Team: Chairperson – Melanie Gaze, Treasurer – Denise Deere, Secretary – Christina Campbell

Call to Order by Chairperson Melanie Gaze at 6:35pm

1. Peter Fultz shared an administrative report
Current Student Population: 741

Classes

KG FI (4 classes), KG Eng (2 classes) Grade 1FI (4 classes), Grade 1 Eng (2 classes), Grade 2FI (3 classes), Grade 2 Eng (2 classes), Grade 3FI (3 classes), Grade 3 Eng (2 classes), Grade 3/4FI (1 blend), Grade 3/4 Eng (1 blend), Grade 4FI (3 classes), Grade 4 Eng (2 classes), Grade 5 FI (3 classes), and Grade 5 Eng (2 classes)

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 – Outdoor Pursuits

Grade 5 Outdoor Education Camp

Planning for the Grade 5 yearend trip is well underway! Please support our Grade 5s as they continue their chocolate fundraiser to fund this exciting year end excursion to further build community, leadership and self confidence in our students as they prepare for the transition to EAMS. The location for camp this year will again be Pioneer Ranch in Sundre.

Dare to Care

Every student had the opportunity to work with Dare to Care before the break to develop strategies to help manage conflict and to be a part of the caring majority. The tools were provided to help resolve and mitigate bullying when it arises. Assemblies were held for Kindergarten, grades 1-3, and grades 3-5. In addition, grades 3-5 participated in smaller workshop sessions to further develop the skills. Dare to Care will be back in the Fall to work with Edwards students again as well as provide PL for staff and share an evening session with parents.

Thank You School Council and Edwards Families!

Our students were able to enjoy many opportunities due to the hard work of School Council and the generosity of Edwards families. This includes Trickster Theatre, Grade 4 skiing, L'Uni Theatre, Quest Theatre, Grade 2 Active Living Day, and Rocks & Rings!

Accountability Pillar Survey- Grade 4 Families

Alberta Education has mailed information regarding the survey to you earlier in January. If you have not received the information from them, please contact Alberta Education. Once you receive the information you can complete the survey at: <https://public.education.alberta.ca/APOS/>

This important survey provides you the opportunity to share feedback on your child's experience at École Edwards to date based upon many indicators. Please take the time to complete it as your voice does matter to us. For example, the many changes to our approach with literacy instruction across classrooms and the instruction of our home reading and sight word program was in part a response to survey results in past years.

The deadline has been extended until March 8.

Student Safety is Paramount

While we recognize our school can be a busy place at the start and end of our day it is most important that everyone appreciate the importance of student safety and respect the guidelines that serve to protect our students.

There is a raised crosswalk that separates staff parking from the family parking area between Edwards and ÉAMS. For the safety of our students any parking or movement through staff parking is strictly prohibited. To allow otherwise would put students at risk of potential danger from vehicles in part because of their age and size of our students.

The intention is to ensure students safety. Families are advised to respect the signage in this area.

Literacy Presentation

See Powerpoint Presentation

Future Presentations

Are there presentations that School Council feels would be valuable for future meetings? Thoughts for next Year?

2. Grade 2 Report attached below

3. Literacy Presentation by Peter Fultz, Components of Literacy

4. School Council updates; paid quest and grade 4 ski trip, looking for fundraising ideas for next year. Financial report attached below

Next meeting is March 25 2019 @ 6:30pm in the Learning Commons

Meeting adjourned at 7:26pm.

Contact Parent Council if you can help out on any committee, eeschoolcouncil@hotmail.com or on our Facebook page.

English team:

February is a busy month of learning in grade two. We are currently working on writers workshop units. We have begun guided Math centres. We are finishing up Iqaluit, with the grade to Arctic games and a Ted Harrison Art project. We are also wrapping up Hot and Cold in Science with a final project of creating an insulator and next moving on to exploring liquids.

F.I.:

Grade 2 FI are working hard on their narrative stories about small moments in their lives during Writer's Workshop. They are now learning how to bring the characters to life and we look forward to publishing these stories this month. Last month, we all had authors celebration to wrap up our informative writing unit and students loved sharing their published books with other students in the school, admin and their parents. In math, we are studying double digit addition strategies and will be moving into subtraction as well. We are wrapping up studying Iqaluit in Social Studies and will be "taking a boat" to Meteghan next. On March 14th, we are headed to Telus Spark for some fun learning about boats and buoyancy which is the next unit being studied in Science.

Full team:

We are going swimming in June. (Genesis Center)

We will be preparing the assembly for the Hat on for mental Health in May

We will be going to the L'Unité performance in March (FI and English, optional).

We did the Christmas concert.

We want to the Leighton Art Center in October.

École Edwards Elementary School Fundraising				
DATE	Event	Revenue	Expense	Balance
	Carry Forward	\$ 9,474.05		\$ 9,474.05
	Account Closure Final deposit	\$ 1,065.85		\$ 1,065.85
Jan 10/2019	Cookie Dough Fundraiser	\$ 17,913.85	\$ 5,754.63	\$ 12,159.22
	Silent Auction	\$ 1,310.00		\$ 1,310.00
	Quest Theatre		\$ 446.25	\$ (446.25)
	Winsport		\$ 3,350.00	\$ (3,350.00)
	L'Uni Theatre		\$ 1,848.00	\$ (1,848.00)
	Winsport Bussing		\$ 520.13	\$ (520.13)
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				\$ -
	TOTAL	\$ 29,763.75	\$ 11,919.01	\$ 17,844.74
Fun Lunch				
	Name	Revenue	Expense	
	Carry Forward	\$ 481.90		\$ 481.90
9/6/2018	Fun Lunch Extreme Pita	\$ 115.00		\$ 115.00
11/26/2018	Fun Lunch Extreme Pita	\$ 111.00		\$ 111.00
12/14/2018	Fun Lunch	\$ 119.50		\$ 119.50
01/15/2019	Fun Lunch Mary Brown	\$ 147.50		\$ 147.50
	TOTAL	\$ 974.90	\$ -	\$ 974.90
Commitments				
	Trickster		\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00
	Refund		\$ 3.50	\$ 3.50