

Jennie Emery Elementary
School Council Meeting
Thursday, September 27th, 2018

1. **Meeting Called to Order:** Suzanna Neufeld @ 7:04 pm.
PRESENT: Suzi Neufeld (Chairperson), Rianna French (Treasurer), Brianne Ress, Kristi Schooten (Vice-Principal), Kacy Berry (Gr. 4 Teacher), Debbie Laturus (Trustee), Sharon Rutledge (Trustee), Wayne Street (Principal), Patti Uytdewilligen, Brandie MacEachern, Brittany Elliot (PLAY Program Coordinator), Becky Gudmudson, Darcee Abrey-McKeown, Amy Morice (Vice-Chair), Carley Campbell (Secretary).
2. **Welcome and Introductions.**
3. **Review of Agenda.** Additions to agenda - None. Approved. 1st Brittany. 2nd Brandie.
None opposed. Carried.
4. **Review of May 23rd, 2018 Minutes.** Approved. 1st Rianna. 2nd Amy. None opposed.
Carried.
5. **Trustees Report:** See attached document #1 and #2
6. **School Admin Report:** See attached document #3
7. **Chairperson's Report:**
 - Chairperson was wondering if the Pre-School doors can be unlocked in the morning for Pre-School parents to bring their children in those doors instead of the front. This would mean less parents would need park in front of the school. Brittany volunteered PLAY program employees to unlock the doors at 8:15 a.m. Morning supervision teacher will be asked to lock these doors in the morning after supervision is over.
 - Some suggestions on how to encourage more parents to attend the School Council Meetings:
 - Possibility to require (encourage) a Parent Rep from each class to attend the meetings. -Parent Rep handbook to be reviewed at next meeting to possibly include this information.
 - Presentations such as self-regulation, nutritional advice, Internet Safety etc. Would this encourage more people to attend?
8. **Next Meeting:** Thursday, October 18th @ 7:00 pm
9. **Adjournment:** 7:50 pm

Jennie Emery Elementary
Friends of Jennie Emery Society Meeting
Thursday, September 27th, 2018

1. **Meeting Called to Order:** Suzanna Neufeld @ 7:58 pm
PRESENT: Suzi Neufeld (chairperson), Rianna French (Treasurer), Brianne Ress, Kristi Schooten (Vice-Principal), Kacy Berry (Gr. 4 Teacher), Wayne Street (Principal), Patti Uytdewilligen, Brandie MacEachern, Brittany Elliot (PLAY Program Coordinator), Becky Gudmudson, Darcee Abrey-McKeown, Amy Morice (Vice-Chair), Carley Campbell (Secretary).
2. **Review of Agenda.** Additions to agenda - None. Approved. 1st Amy. 2nd Darcee. None opposed. Carried.
3. **Review of May 23rd, 2018 Minutes.** Approved. 1st Amy. 2nd Becky. None opposed. Carried.
4. **Treasures Report:** Nothing to report since the AGM.
5. **DFS Fundraiser:** Pamphlets handed out today. Forms DUE back October 19th. Online sales to be encouraged.
6. **JEES Clothing:** A quote for clothing was brought forward. The Friends of Jennie Emery approved to go ahead with the selling of clothing with any profits to go into the Friends of JEES general fund to help with all events ran by the board.
7. **Facebook Page:** Possible Friends of JEES Facebook page? Nice way to let people know what is happening. Photos might be tricky to add due to FOIP. Wayne and Kristi to bring to Admin meeting to inquire about what other schools do for communication. Brandie and Kacy offered to help with the page if it is a go.
8. **Cupcake/Cookie Sale:** Looking for someone to organize the cupcake sale. Suggestions for this year: Cupcakes AND Cookies, include Kindergarten in counts. Tuesday, November 6th and Wednesday, April 3rd are dates that were chosen for this year.
9. **Movie Night:** Mostly positive feedback. Brittany offered PLAY to help once again. Possible Christmas Themed movie. To be discussed further next meeting.
10. **Pancake Breakfast/Hotdog Lunch:** Positive feedback from last year. Breakfast program to possibly help fund again this year. Proposed dates: Hot Dog Lunch - Wednesday, December 12th, 2018, Pancake Brunch - Tuesday, March 5th, 2019.
11. **Survey:** Questions were brought forward to create a survey to send out as there is some confusion about what the Friends of Jennie Emery funds. Questions to possibly include:

- Have you ever been to a School Council/Friends of Jennie Emery Meeting? If no, why?
- Did you know that anyone including non-members can attend the meetings with ideas or suggestions?
- Would you be willing to Coordinate an event if you were not required to attend all monthly meetings?
- Are you aware that the Friends of Jennie Emery makes it possible for the students at Jennie Emery to attend ALL field trips to little or no cost to you?
- Do you know that The Friends of Jennie Emery Society funds and coordinates all of the special events around the school – FREE hot dog lunch, pancake brunch, movie night, New West Theatre presentations, and Fun-Day?

Carley to make up the survey and distribute before next meeting.

12. **Toonie Days:** A fundraiser to offset the cost of the gazebo . Ideas – Bring a toonie to: wear a hat, chew gum, teddy to school. Possibly link to ‘hats on for mental health’ in May.

13. **Christmas Concert:** Very early stages. Held on 2 night as in previous years.

- Raffle Table: Positive feedback about the bags on the table to put your tickets in.
- 50/50: Licence needed to sell tickets. A small fee would be required for the licence. Undecided if it will be ran this year.

14. **Fundraisers:**

- In talking about how the Leaders of Tomorrow (LOT) Fundraiser being less last year than in the past, it was brought up that last year DFS Fundraiser and LOT Fundraiser combined came in close to the amount raised by the LOT Fundraiser in the previous year.
- Concerns brought forward regarding just asking for money with nothing in return. Idea for the Leaders of Tomorrow Fundraiser is to add prizes for incentives. Ex. \$50-\$100 – candy bag. \$101 - \$300 – water bottles. \$301-\$500 t-shirt. \$501 plus – hoodie.

15. **Field Trips:** Field Trips were budgeted at \$20 per student Kindergarten – Grade 4. Kacy requested more funds be allocated towards the Grade 4 field trips. They attend Head Smashed In Buffalo Jump and Scientists in Schools which correlates to the Grade 4 curriculum. \$25 per Grade 4 student was requested.

- * Motion: Field trip budget remains \$20 per student for Grades K-Gr.3 and \$25 per student for Gr. 4. 1st Carley. 2nd Amy. None opposed. Carried.

16. **Fun Day:** Plans to combine Leadership Day and Fun Day due to the workload. This year it will be held on Thursday, May 30th. All Kindergarten students will attend on this day. Grade 3 & 4 students will help run the activities in shifts so as to not miss out on all the fun. Parent volunteers will still be required to help with activities and snack.

17. **Teacher Appreciation:** Positive Feedback from last year. It was catered by 3G, and held on a Friday to avoid requiring parent volunteers to cover classes. Take out containers were provided for those who could not stay. Will be held again this year.

- * Motion: Teacher Appreciation budget be set at \$1,200. 1st Suzi, 2nd Brandie. None opposed. Carried.

18. **Grade 4 Farewell:** Last year was funded by the Friends of Jennie Emery, but organized by the Grade 4 teachers. This seemed to work well and will be ran similar this year.

- * Motion: Grade 4 Farewell budget be set at \$500. 1st Brianne. 2nd Becky. None opposed. Carried.

19. **Hot Lunch:** Suzi will be organizing. Subway, 3G, Boston Pizza, Pita Pit, Quiznos and Booster Juice will be available this year. October/November forms to go home soon.

20. **PLAY Program:**

- Health inspection will be done soon. We have been asked to keep the Food Licence in mind when using the kitchen facilities.
- PLAY is possibly going to begin PPP Parenting classes in the evening at Jennie Emery. This plan is in the beginning stages, but Brittany will keep us updated as things progress.

21. **Next Meeting:** Thursday, October 18th @ 7:00 pm

22. **Adjournment:** 9:32 pm