

**JENNIE EMERY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
PARENT COUNCIL AGM
September 5th 2024**

1. Call meeting to order: 7:03pm
2. Welcome & Introductions - Danie Lawrence, Toni Klassen, Fallon, Amy Kerr, Chris Spanos, Nora C, Sharron R
3. Approval of Agenda - 1st Nora, 2nd Fallon
4. Approval of 2023 AGM meeting minutes - 1st Nora, 2nd Toni
5. Chairperson's Report
 - a. Reviewed changes from last years fundraising, removing old fundraisers that haven't been performing in years
 - b. Last year new mission statement for FOJES - success
 - c. Talked about the changes from strictly fundraising as FOJES to more traditional parent council type meetings. With the hopes that this starts to attract more new members and parents to meetings
 - d. Encouraging school and parent engagement through conversation and conversations at meetings, removing the pressure of always being asked to volunteer and donate
 - e. Reviewed dollars raised from last year, and new playground inclusive expansion (ongoing)
 - f. And reviewed the success of the GALA last year, resounding success for a small group like this. Plans underway for the next gala. But hoping to enjoy this amazing year of parent engagement and saying yes to more school activities!
 - g. Parent council knocked it out of the park last year!!!
6. Principals Report
 - a. Biggest change this year is the change in grades with the removal of grade 4.
 - b. So far the feedback of the open house to drop off the school supplies has been great. 70-80% of families came to drop off supplies. Gave the teachers a name to face before the first day.
 - c. Staggered entry w/ muffins and coffee went well. Suggested not to do a similar staggered entry as R.I Baker.
 - d. Next Thursday will be the Welcome School Welcome Night. Hoping to send out communication about this on Dojo tomorrow. More of a relaxed come and meet the teacher and come play.

- e. Enrollment numbers are currently sitting at 271 for K to 3 and 34 for ELP. A few new teachers but most are returning from last year.
 - f. From division the literacy and numeracy developments are now mandatory through Alberta Education. Grades 1-3 need to be completed for all students in September, in January and in the spring for students who need to be reassessed. KG does not get assessed until January. This year these assessments will also be done on an individual basis. It was asked if the parents get to know anything about the results of the assessments but the answer is unknown at this time.
 - g. A new admin procedure was sent out in reaction to the Cell Phone use of students which does not impact Jennie Emery as much due to the age of the students.
7. Friends of Jennie Emery Report
- a. Financials - attached
 - i. Still do not have all the field trip expenses, waiting on a few bussing invoices.
 - b. Fundraising - No update at the moment.
8. Nominations and Elections
- a. Chairperson: Danie Lawrence (1 year remaining)
 - b. Vice Chairperson: (Open 2 year term)
 - i. Nominated: Toni. None opposed, all in favor
 - c. Secretary: (No end in term, Joisa on 2nd year)
 - i. Nominated: Tabled
9. Informational and Other:
- a. Do we have interest in hosting a dessert table for the open house?
 - i. Not this year.
10. ByLaw Review
- a. Suggested edits and or changes:
 - i. None

Next Meeting: September 11, 2025

Adjournment: 8:03 pm

FRIENDS OF JENNIE EMERY SOCIETY
AGM
SEPTEMBER 5th 2024

1. Call meeting to order: 8:14 pm
2. Motion to adopt Jennie Emery Parent Council board into Friends of Jennie Emery Society
 - a. 1st Nora, 2nd Toni - Approved
3. Minutes: 1st Nora, 2nd Fallon - Approved
4. Agenda: 1st Nora, 2nd Fallon - Approved
5. Nominations and Elections
 - a. Treasurer
 - i. Nominated: Fallon, none opposed, approved.
 - b. Fundraising Director (Friends of Jennie Emery): (No end in term, Elected but not in bylaws, Kim Hazuda done 1st year, OPEN)
 - i. Nominated: Danie L, none opposed, approved
 - c. Hot Lunch Director: (No end in term, Danie on 2nd year, Danie stepping down, OPEN)
 - i. Nominated: Shanda, none opposed, approved
 - d. Playground Director: Nora Chomistek
 - i. Position complete when current expansions are finished.
To include signage and donor recognition, Elected but not in bylaws.
6. Financial Audit - Two Volunteers
 - a. Two parent volunteers: Fallon + Dannie
7. Next meeting: September 11, 2025
8. Adjournment: 8:39 PM