

# ELKHORN SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL

## MEETING MINUTES

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Dec 10 2018 6:00pm @ Elkhorn Public School Staff Room

### In Attendance

#### Council Members

Melody Nguyen, Co-Chair

Shadi Lessan, Co-Chair

Mandy Hung, Secretary

Andrei Simion

Ali Moayedi

Kim Rozmahel

Natalya Selina

#### Teachers/Principal

Joanna Lanning, Teacher

Mark Connelly, Teacher

Garcia, YMCA

#### Parents in Attendance

Vicky Bakalovski

#### Absence

Dawn Zdzienicki

Michael Hurwich, Treasurer

Maryam Pakdel

Holly Richards, Principal

### Welcome from the Co-Chairs

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- Melody and Holly opened the meeting and introduction of attendees.

### Principal's Update

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- Holly was absent due to personal emergency. She would like to thank all the volunteers.

### Treasurer's Update

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- Melody provided the financial updates due to Michael is away for business travel

#### Fundraising income update

- Movie night brought in \$1082.63 (after expenses) – funding towards Technologies
- Fundscip brought in \$632.00 – funding Technologies
- Holiday Event and Candy Grams income to be announced -funding STEM

#### Nitwit

- Council collected approx. \$300 from parent for the Nitwit check, which was \$600 – council to set aside budget for another round of Nitwit check in March 2019 after March break

## 2018-2019 Council Budget

- Budget for fund allocation was discussed during the meeting. Melody to update spreadsheet and circulate for council approval.

### Other items:

- Banner to advertise Elkhorn SAC / fundraising TBD
- Council to get some details from the Elkhorn office where the \$3600 technology fund was spent
- New trays are needed for Pizza Lunch \$250

## Council Business

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### Chess with Mr. S update

- Natalya invited Garcia from the YMCA to discuss the possibility of using the gym or the emergency classroom 101 on Wednesdays in 2019 to expand the Chess with Mr. S capacity. Garcia thinks Room 101 can be an option and will discuss within the YMCA team and get back to us.

### Upcoming Fundraisers

- Movie night – Jan 23 (wed) and Feb 14 (Thurs)
- Pizza Lunch for 2019 will be collecting for STEM / Enrichment programs
- 2019 Welcome back BBQ

### Other fundraising idea:

- Outdoor movie night
- Easter Egg Hunt
- Breakfast before class for parents and students (waffle, crepes)

### Community Event

- Barbara (parent) reached out to Grand Luxe and they have agreed to donate the space rental for free
- Alvin (parent) secure alcohol donation
- Food and wait staff should be about \$20 per guest

### Funfair date

- Melody motioned to vote on the Thursday June 6 for the Funfair
- Need to set up committee and start booking vendors
- Melody and Shadi to look into getting Insurance

## Teacher Update

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### 2019 STEAM Club

- Staff had their first planning meeting for 2019 STEAM programs.
- Planning to have 3 clubs by age group: Gr1&2 / Gr2&3 / Gr4&5 – 4 STEAM challenges with 5-6 students per group on weekly rotation
- Kindergarten friendly in-class tools for the JK/SK
- Would like the council to fund some of the initiatives, like tools for the JK/SK,
- Teacher to provide the plan and list of tools for council review for funding

### Technology requests

- Teachers would like to see more funding towards technology, i.e. Chrome Books, iPad, printers
- Currently, limited in-classroom devices available (only one iPad and one laptop per classroom). Class must wait for their rotation to use the technology room. The vision would be to have 4-5 devices per classroom.

- There are only 2 printers within the school. Would be nice to have 2 more printers with air print capacity for teacher and students to print from their devices
- Council to confirm with Holly her plans for 2018-2019 technology to help council align allocation of council funding.

### Classroom Equipment

- Mr. Tang advised classrooms have enough equipment, no requests.

## Parents Concerns

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- Vicky Bakalovski is concerned about the temperature of the gym being too cold. Increase the chance of injuries if muscles are too cold. The temperature of the gym has been on on-going issue. Council will speak with Holly or her backfill to see what can be done, as this needs to be addressed as soon as possible.

## Tabled for next meeting

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### Updated SAC bylaws

- New content, i.e. e-voting to be rectified at the next meeting.

## Approval of Minutes

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- Melody motion to approve the minutes from Nov 12 2018 by Melody and seconded by Shadi Lessan

## Next Meeting

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Monday Jan 14 2019 @ 6:00pm Elkhorn Staff Room

Meeting Adjourned at 8:45pm / Minutes taken by Mandy Hung