

Eastview Middle School Council
Wednesday, March 24, 2021

We acknowledge that we are on Treaty Six territory to the North of the Red Deer River and Treaty Seven territory to the South of the Red Deer River. We acknowledge and give thanks to all the many First Nations, Metis and Inuit whose footsteps have marked these lands for centuries.

EVMS Enhancement Society

(M/S/C-Motion/Seconded/Carried)

Call to order at 7:02 pm

In virtual attendance: Shelley Odishaw, Kimberly Toovey, Candice Bowie, Kevin Robertson, Cathy Peacocke, Jon Brown, and Greg Boulay

1. Approval of Minutes (from February 2021) - Shelley M/ Kimberly S/ C
2. Approval of Agenda - Agenda amended to include ASCA conference. Jon M/ Kimberly S/ C
3. Treasurer's Report - No change in accounts from last month: Peace of mind/community account \$4280.24. Casino account \$0 GIC account \$20 678.30. Will be writing a cheque here shortly for Teacher Appreciation coffee day.
4. Casino report - no dates at this time due to COVID restrictions.
5. Other business
 1. Fundraising- no fundraising at this time
 2. Term 2 Teacher appreciation- Jon made the motion for \$100 to be spent this term and Kimberly seconded. Kevin will be getting all of the teacher's coffee orders and Shelley will place the order and make all the arrangements with Tim Horton's. Kimberly will pick up the coffee Friday AM (March 26th) and then she and Candice will deliver to the teacher's classrooms. We appreciate everything the staff and teachers at Eastview do for our kids!!
 3. ASCA conference funding-conference is virtual this year and the cost is \$95/person. Jon made the motion for \$190 to be spent to allow Kimberly and Jon to attend. Kimberly seconded. Jon will do the AGM.

Meeting adjourned at 7:11 pm.

EVMS School Council Meeting

Call to order at 7:11 pm

1. Approval of Agenda. Candice M/ Kimberly S/ C
2. Approval of Minutes. Kimberly M/ Candice S/ C
3. Trustee's report - Cathy Peacocke

Discussed priorities to the Capital plan. Funding to modernize Hunting Hills High School is the top priority. This will involve extensive upgrades, additions and a new roof. Other priorities include a new school in Northeast Red Deer and the modernization of Eastview Middle School.

The board did not revisit the decision regarding PRIDE week. However, the board will be doing a review of their sexual orientation and gender equality policy and will be seeking input. Students at Lindsey Thurber will be organizing their own PRIDE week the first week in June.

The board did a review of the feedback from last month's thought exchange.

The provincial announcement of the budget was already made, however, the school boards do not find out their funds until the end of March.

Cathy talked about what is involved with being a school board trustee and gave information on how someone can run in the municipal election for a school trustee position. Information is on the city website.

4. Principals's Report - Kevin Robertson

Parent teacher interviews were done virtually last week. Term 2 is coming to an end March 26th. April 16th will be the date for Term 2 awards. Thank you to Mr. Clevette for all of his hard work producing this virtual ceremony.

Provincial surveys- parents will be getting these right away. Week of April 12th- grade 7s will be doing their surveys. Teachers did their surveys last week.

Congratulations to Mr. Jeremy Spinks for winning the NHL/NHLPA Most Valuable Teacher's award! We are very proud of him! This brought a \$10,000 technology grant to our school.

Eastview has placed an order for 30 more chromebooks, which will put the ratio of students:chromebooks at 1:1. This is fantastic!

Report cards will be available next week/finished by April 1st.

Term 3 starts on Monday, Mar 29th and will follow the same pattern as Term 2. The first half will be day 1 options until May 14th, and the second half will be day 2 options until the end of June. So far this approach has worked very well for our school by preventing 60-70 more students and 2 or more teachers from having to isolate due to close contacts.

Orientations- will be virtual for Grade 8s. At the last principals meeting it was discussed that hopefully we can have a day in June for getting grade 8s to Hunting Hills and grade 5s to Eastview. This will depend on where COVID restrictions are.

April 19th will be the registration for grade 8s.

5. Teacher's Report- Greg Boulay

This is a busy time with report cards and students on quarantine. Teachers have really found that students have been very flexible. The amount of participation in online learning has been great.

Mr. Boulay noted that there are programs in place at Eastview (Raz kids reading, math boot camps, etc)that have made a huge difference for kids that are having difficulty learning in these areas.

He stated that he is super proud of his coworkers at Eastview for all of their support for each other during the pandemic. He also wanted to congratulate Mr. Spinks for his most valuable teacher award and acknowledge Mr. Clevette for all his work with the EV news and virtual award ceremonies. He feels very priveleged to be a part of a great staff that really goes above and beyond.

Mr. Boulay also acknowledged the participation in the Hats on for Homelessness that donated money to the Mustard Seed this week. He thought that it was great that the students are staying involved in the community.

6. Council Report- Candice Bowie

1. Autism Awareness- This will be taking place next week. Jessica will be helping Candice with the graphics and Mr Clevette will be featuring on his EV news.

7. City-wide

1. Meeting was held virtually on March 9th. Attendees were placed into breakout rooms for discussion. Great conversation about how parents may be engaged in their children's education and how parents and teachers can support our kids.

2. Next meeting will be held on May 11, 2021- Fairview location or virtual depending on restrictions.

8. ASCA

1. 2021 conference/AGM - last weekend in April

2. AGM Advocacy Resolutions- school council was sent the 2021 advocacy resolutions package. We went through as a council and discussed how we wanted to vote on the first half of the resolutions at the AGM.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Next meeting: Wednesday, April 21, 2021 at 7 PM. This will likely be a virtual meeting as well.

-May 19, 2021

-June 16(?), 2021

Everyone is welcome to attend!