



St Elizabeth School Council Meeting Minutes



Meeting

Tuesday, January 7, 2025 @ 6:00pm

In Attendance

Michael Leonard Tawn Robinson Jason Urquhart Melissa Laird-Arroyo Linda Evans Mandi Ramsay Gillian Scott - YWCA	Stephanie Arruda Tasha Richardson Jennifer Smit Wesley Cressman Trevor Shelly Amanda Scott Emma Jose
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Regrets

Nicole Nedelko Bryan Rosekat	
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Welcome, Land Acknowledgement, and Prayer:

Meeting called to order at 6:00pm and Michael led us in prayer.

Agenda Item		Notes
November Minutes	Tasha	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stephanie motion to accept the November minutes, Gillian 2nd.
Principal Update	Michael	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kindie yard flooding issue – contractors did come to repair in November. There was gravel and rubber on top of the existing drain. They removed all the dirt and added a grate instead, and then laid the astroturf back down again. Will keep monitoring as the snow thaws and hope there is no more flooding. Soon the gate at the daycare side of the kindie yard will be shutting down for the winter due to the snow being piled up on that walkway. Parents will bring their students to the gate closer to the primary doors for the time being. Christmas concert went very well but was very busy. Next year, we might try to split it into two shows (AM & PM) due to such high attendance. Angel tree – the church was very overwhelmed by, and thankful for, the generosity of our school community with gift giving, and the same with the food drive. Angel Tree – The church was very thankful and very overwhelmed by the generosity of our school community with the gift giving at Christmas. Food Drive was also a big success. Next Friday is a PD Day – January 17. Report cards go out Feb 13th.

Financials	Stephanie	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Account: \$4436.60 • Fundraising Account: \$6747.50 • PIC Grant: \$500 • Total: \$11,684.10 • We are waiting on the fundraiser cheque to come which is \$311.70
Gift Card Fundraiser FundScrip	Jenn, Tasha, Stephanie	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We made \$311.70 profit for the fundraiser. • Need to plan to start fundraiser by October next year. Trevor said his company buys a lot of gift cards and the timing was just a little too late. It was proposed to start it in October and maybe keep it open longer. The option of leaving the fundraiser open for a few months or for the whole school year was a possibility, and maybe we could have two cut-off dates to get cards delivered. Feedback seemed positive, we just need to start it sooner and run it longer.
Family Fun Night	Linda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Movie night – expenses for candy canes, water, and door prize from Michaels was \$73.87 to be submitted by Linda with receipts • The night was well-received by most. • Issues to address: Kids getting out of their seats and running around during the movie. We need to have more supervision by parents to try and treat it like a real movie theatre – no playing, or running around, or being noisy. Maybe pick a movie that’s less than an hour next time to help with kids getting restless. Roughly 150 people showed up. • Bingo night – We need to figure out prizes. Jenn and Amanda volunteer to do the shopping for prizes with a budget of \$200. They will get a \$50 gift card for the final game where you need to get an X on your bingo card. All other prizes will be worth \$5-10. • Need to figure out tables and where to get more from. • Michael will purchase bingo cards in bulk from amazon. We were thinking of doing the coloured sheets of the bingo cards to make it more organized (ie: this game will be for the blue card, this game will be for the red card, etc). • Change the date to January 23rd to give more time to organize. • Linda will try and get 200 chips for bingo night and 300 for Valentine’s dance if the price is right. • Trevor, Stephanie, Mandi and Gillian can help with set-up. • Wes and Stephanie can do take-down.
Grants	Michael	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pro Grant – \$400 available for some sort of event or activity for the school community. Michael will investigate if it can be used for our upcoming bingo night.
Valentines Day Dance Feb 13, 2025	Stephanie Tasha Trevor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tawn will investigate to see if we can hold a book sale again during the event. • Things to address: - More seating for eating, more garbages throughout, more Orange Crush and Dr. Pepper pop. • Thoughts of dedicating some one to clear tables and empty garbage so it doesn’t become a huge mess like last year. Invite some high school kids to do their volunteer hours maybe. Michael will send out an email to current families to see if there are any recent Grade 8 Graduates who might like to come volunteer for the night to clear tables and keep everything cleaner. • Suggestion: free family pass for parents who commit to volunteer for the night so the teachers aren’t having to take on so much responsibility • Make two separate rooms for face painting because it is so popular • Tasha had an idea of having Leaders for each station

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Linda will take on face painting and organize a team for that • Tawn has DJ booked • Tasha's husband will donate the light-up dance floor for the gym and the selfie station set up (backdrop to take pictures) • Spiderman services will be donated by a parent • Stephanie has a list of who is volunteering in what areas for the night. • Jenn and Amanda will put together the candy kebobs, or bag the little candies for sale. Melissa will go purchase the candy in bulk from Wholesale. • Trevor and Wes will be on garbage duty and security for gym doors • Trevor will take on calling some of our past donors for silent auction items. All members need to ask around for some gift certificates or donated items to make the auction a success.
Close Meeting		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emma motion to close meeting, Amanda 2nd.

Next Meeting: February 4th, 2025 6:00 – 7:30 pm