

Abraham Erb Public School

School Council Meeting Minutes

(Generated by Sirisha Puli, Reviewed by Ivy Cui)

Date: 18 Oct 2023, 19:00 EDT

Attendees:

From the school: Jodie Hancox-Meyer, Shelley Carey, Meghan Wentworth

Parents and Community Member: Hadas Avni-Peleg, Alex Korobkin, Melinda Hecht- Enns, Sirisha Puli, Hanan Alshommali, Lashieka Lamont, Vaidhehi Kumar.

Meeting Summary

During the meeting, the teachers report and the principal's report was presented. The principal's report also included the EQAO results. There was a proposal for Phys - Ed equipment, presented details about the Book Fair, and discussion about the pros and cons of the vendor options for the Spirit wear. Voting held for choosing the spirit vendor and fund approval for the requested proposal. The next meeting has been scheduled for November 15th, with a pre-meeting planned to set the agenda.

Topics & Highlights

1. Teachers and Principals reports are attached for reference

2. Principal's report

- As the QMack show was a great success, Jodie booked it again for another workshop to be held on Feb 29th.
- They received the photo preview today and few kids have taken them home and the rest will be taking home tomorrow.
- Principal presented the EQAO results and same to be included in the minutes. The school has adjusted the time of their second nutrition break to be half an hour later in order to maximize learning while students are at their freshest.

3. Funding request proposal for PhysEd Equipment

- Proposal is attached for reference
- A Funding request proposal for \$1500/- to support the purchase of PhysEd equipment from Mr. Snyder and couple other teachers were presented. The request is to purchase the things like smaller dodge balls, cricket and pickleball sets, hula hoops and other items. There was a concern about the status of the funds and the previous treasurer's report was reviewed to approve the request. Voting was done and with a 100% motion funding proposal was approved.

4. Book Fair

- The Book Fair is planned for display on Nov 23rd. Preview is on Nov 24th and the purchases are open to students on Nov 27th and 28th from 8am to 5pm. Nov 28th it will open from 9am to noon. Nov 30th book fair will be taken off and like last year the collected funds will be given to the teachers to buy supplies or books from the scholastic site for their classrooms.
- A mail will be sent out to the council and parents for volunteering in the book fair.

5. Treasurer's Report

- Currently, the council has a total of \$11,758, including a WEFI of \$435. Approval of \$1500/- for PhyEd equipment and \$300/- for spirit wear purchases has to be updated in the expenses.

6. Spirit Wear Campaign

- Ivy, Menlinda, Vaidhehi, and Hanan presented the quotes for spirit wear from three vendors. The council discussed the pros and cons for the quotes like availability of online purchases, quality and variations of the products available, affordability and the amount of work involved for the school secretary and the need of volunteers. Voting was done and decided to proceed with Purple Shark vendor with 100% motion.
- A request for \$300/- from the school council was approved with 100% motion to support the families in need of help to purchase the spirit wear.
- A request was made to share the presentation deck and decided to include in the minutes and same is included for reference.

7. Next meeting and agenda

- The next meeting is scheduled for **November 15th** and the chair, treasurer, and Jodie will have a quick online meeting about a week before to put the agenda together.

2023-2024 School Council Members		
		Yes: 6 No: 8
Name	Position	Yes/No
Ivy Cui	Chair	No
Hadas Avni-Peleg	Treasurer	Yes
MeetGeek Notes	Secretary	
Alex Korobkin	Voting Member	Yes
Melinda Hecht- Enns	Voting Member	Yes
Sirisha Puli	Voting Member	Yes
Vasudha Raghunathan	WRAPSC Rep	No
Amy Le Roji	Non-Voting Member	No
Stephen liu	Non-Voting Member	No
Hanan Alshommali	Non-Voting Member	Yes
Kai Zeng	Non-Voting Member	No
Katie Bates	Non-Voting Member	No
Prajaktha Kashalkar	Non-Voting Member	No
Ruchi Gera	Non-Voting Member	No
Vaidhehi Kumar	Community Rep.	Yes

Principal's Report for School Council

Wednesday, October 18th, 2023

School

We had an amazing whole-school show with QMack on September 22nd. He was an incredibly engaging speaker and performer and wowed us with his basketball tricks, sense of humour and feats like balancing a 100 lb. bench on his chin and doing the same with a 10-foot ladder. He taught us about character attributes as well like attitude, leadership, love, self-control, teamwork, accountability, and respect. At some point, I'd like to bring QMack back to Abe Erb to do hands-on class basketball workshops with all the students.

November 13th is an upcoming Professional Activity Day and there will be no school for students. The focus of WRDSB staff learning for that day will be shared on our website closer to the date.

All elementary students will receive a progress report card (grades 1 – 6) on November 20th. As has been the pattern for the last few years, there is no specific day set aside for parent-teacher interviews. However, families are welcome to reach out to their child(ren)'s teachers at any point during the year to discuss their child(ren)'s progress.

We had great weather for our annual Terry Fox Run on September 27th. A total of \$792 was graciously donated by our Abe Erb families to support the Terry Fox Foundation. The staff and students had a great time, got some exercise, and even had a chance to visit with one of our mascots who made a surprise visit!

Our photo day on October 4th went smoothly. We are awaiting the proofs, which will be sent home with student for families to be able to order photo packages if they wish. Photo retake day for anyone who was absent on Oct 4th or not happy with their original photos will be held on November 8th.

We are excited to share that we will be hosting a Winter Variety Show (our first one since 2019!) Classes will be working together, and all students will have the opportunity to perform. We will be having 2 shows on Thursday, December 21st at 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. to give families some flexibility with which they are able to attend. A "save the date" announcement was sent out on School Day and more reminders will follow as we get closer to the date.

Board

WRDSB Facilities Services has continued to implement a range of strategies to improve ventilation with the goal of reducing the spread of illness. This work was completed in partnership with the Ministry of Education and utilizing available provincial, federal and Board of Trustees approved funding. More details are available in the full report on the WRDSB website.

The Parent Involvement Committee (PIC) is looking for new members. Parents and caregivers of students in any WRDSB schools are welcome to apply to be a member. As a member of PIC, you have an opportunity to strengthen parent/caregiver partnership in education and be part of a committee dedicated to helping each student achieve their full potential. The committee collaborates with WRDSB staff to support, encourage and enhance parent engagement in children's education, in order to improve student achievement and well-being. PIC has a supportive relationship with the Waterloo Region Assembly of Public-School Councils (WRAPSC) but is a separate group. WRAPSC brings together school council representatives from across the Waterloo Region, whereas PIC is mandated by the Ministry of Education and supports the WRDSB with the voice of caregivers. More information for anyone interested can be found on the WRDSB website.

Province

The results of the 2023 EQAO testing were made public on October 12th. This was our second year of having grade 3s and grade 6s participate in the new digital version of the testing. Anyone who is interested can access results from all schools in Ontario through the EQAO website. I created a one-page summary of our results from Abraham Erb and it will be included in the minutes from this meeting. I will also paste a link to the document in the chat box so that anyone attending the online meeting can see the summary now. We are pleased that our students continue to perform very well in Reading, Writing and Math, and we are continuously aiming to develop best practice instruction in all our classrooms.

EQAO Results – Overview

Ontario

Percentage of Students Achieving Level 3 or Higher

Grade 3			
	Reading	Writing	Math
2022 EQAO	73.1	64.9	59.0
2023 EQAO	72.6	65.5	59.7

Grade 6			
	Reading	Writing	Math
2022 EQAO	84.9	84.1	47.2
2023 EQAO	83.7	83.6	49.5

WRDSB

Percentage of Students Achieving Level 3 or Higher

Grade 3			
	Reading	Writing	Math
2022 EQAO	71.6	62.5	57.7
2023 EQAO	72.7	65.2	59.3

Grade 6			
	Reading	Writing	Math
2022 EQAO	85.1	85.1	48.6
2023 EQAO	84.5	85.3	51.4

Abraham Erb

Percentage of Students Achieving Level 3 or Higher

Grade 3			
	Reading	Writing	Math
2022 EQAO	85.8	76.2	76.7
2023 EQAO	84.3	84.3	76.9

Grade 6			
	Reading	Writing	Math
2022 EQAO	100	96.5	87.9
2023 EQAO	98.5	98.5	84.6

Teachers' Report for School Council

Wednesday, October 18, 2023

On October 25th, the Grade 3/4 FI and Grade 4/5 FI classes will be visiting the University of Waterloo to take part in their Engineering Science Quest program. They'll engage in a campus tour and participate in STEM workshop experiences.

- Mme McAllister

The library will be holding a Harry Potter event on October 31st, to coincide with Halloween (out of the ordinary day). Younger grades will play HP bingo and learn about the characters, teamwork and being good, not hurtful. Older grades will participate in Book Trivia, and the House of Hogwarts game, those that do not wish to participate will be able to find a nice corner to read during their usual class visit.

- Mrs. Mueller

On October 31st the grade 1's is heading to Benjamin Tree farm to learn about the life cycle of the pumpkin. We will have a pumpkin exploration in our classes, including estimating the number of seeds in a handful, counting the grooves in a pumpkin and seeing if they float or sink in water.

- grade 1 team

Rooms 18 and 26 have been participating in Forest School programming. Forest School is an excellent way to get children outdoors and to teach them about nature, indigenous practices and it has links to many curriculum expectations. Other classes have been invited to join rooms 18 and 26 out in the forest in hopes that teachers will make it a regular part of their schedule.

On October 27th, Room 2 (Grade 3) and Room 1 (Grade 3/4) will be visiting Steckle Heritage Farm. We will be visiting Steckle Heritage Farm to learn about farming, land use in Ontario, animal care, and planting.

- Mrs. Frey & Mrs. Varady

Islamic History Month was acknowledged with daily announcements and a bulletin board in the front hall displaying mosques from around the world.

- Ms. Duquette

The grade 6's will be starting to sell popcorn on Tuesday November 7. On Tuesday Oct. 31, Preorders will open on school-day. This will give families a chance to preorder and pay for their child/children's order. Preorders will be delivered to classrooms before first break for students downstairs and second break for students upstairs. Students can also bring \$2 on Tuesday to buy a bag.

Proposal for Phys Ed Equipment

“Physical inactivity is a serious health issue for Canadian children and youth. The Ontario government created the Daily Physical Activity (DPA) policy, which requires school boards to ensure that all elementary students have a minimum of 20 minutes of sustained moderate to vigorous physical activity each school day during instructional time.” (Public Health Ontario).

Physical Education class is just as important as any other class, whether language or math or science. In order to provide quality phys-ed lessons, it is important to have the resources necessary to teach. By updating and improving the phys-ed equipment at Abraham Erb, we hope to improve students’ abilities and enthusiasm for Phys Ed class. Having a variety of equipment and supplies will allow educators the opportunity to provide quality lessons, and focus on new lessons, in turn keeping students more engaged in being active along with being able to meet a variety of needs and interests. It will also help us to diversify programs away from traditional sports that some students may not be interested in. Therefore, we are requesting a sum of \$1500 from the School Council to aid us in improving the Physical Education program at Abraham Erb.

Some possible new equipment include:

- ⌚ Smaller dodgeballs that are better for primary students.
- ⌚ Cricket and pickleball sets to introduce new sports.
- ⌚ Reaction balls that provide challenges for students.
- ⌚ Rubber chickens and other animals that can be used in the classroom for daily physical activity
- ⌚ Hula hoop holders to focus on target activities

ARE Spirit Wear Quotes

The presentation deck below is for the spirit wear quotes from three vendors.

ARE Spirit Wear

Quote#1 - Pegasus

<https://pegasus-si.com/>

- 2 colour logo – t's - \$16, Long sleeve t's - \$23, hoodies - \$42
- 1 colour logo – t's - \$14, Long sleeve t's = \$21, hoodies - \$ 40
- Sweat/track pants - \$35, with embroidered logo on the upper leg.

Takes 2.5-3 weeks for the apparel to be delivered to the school, with each order individually wrapped with the student's name on it. The prices include tax, the online store, marketing materials and delivery.

Sample products

ORDER DUE DATE: **TUESDAY - JUNE 25TH, 2024 (MIDNIGHT)**

EAGLES PUBLIC SCHOOL | SPIRITWEAR



UNISEX **SHORT SLEEVE TEE**

UNISEX **LONG SLEEVE TEE**



UNISEX **PULLOVER HOODIE**



UNISEX **SWEATPANTS**



ORDER ONLINE HERE ↓

<https://teamandspiritwear.com/EAGLESSW-DEMO>

***PRICES INCLUDE ALL APPLICABLE TAXES**

PLEASE CHOOSE SIZES CAREFULLY. ALL ORDERS ARE MADE TO ORDER. **NO REFUNDS OR EXCHANGES**
Sizing information is available online under each product description.



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Quote#2 - ALL Corporate Printing & Branding

<https://www.allprintandbrand.com/>

T-shirt and hoodie combo: \$26 (min order: 25 sets)

ATC T-shirt: \$6.75 (min order: 100)

Hoodie: \$31.97-\$57.97

Toque: \$7.97-9.97

See the next several pages for photos and details



Adidas Crewneck (A434):

Price: \$41.97

Details:

- Cuffed Sleeves & Hem
- Adidas Logo on Right Arm

7 Colours Available

For A Limited Time
Get FREE Embroidery

*Min Order 24



Adidas Hoodie (A432):

Price: \$46.97

Details:

- 3 Panel Hood
- Pouch Pocket
- Cuffed Sleeves & Hem
- Adidas Logo on Right Arm

7 Colours Available

For A Limited Time
Get FREE Embroidery

*Min Order 24



Nike Crewneck (CJ1614):

Price: \$45.97

Details:

- Cuffed Sleeves & Hem
- Nike Logo on Left Chest

5 Colours Available



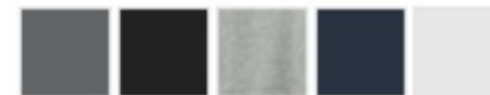
Nike Hoodie (CJ1611):

Price: \$53.97

Details:

- 3 Panel Hood
- Flat Tonal Drawstrings
- Cuffed Sleeves & Hem
- Nike Logo on Left Chest

5 Colours Available





Champion Hoodie (S700):

Price: \$38.97

Details:

- Durable cover-stitching
- Two-ply Hood
- Dyed-to-match Drawcord
- Pouch Pocket
- "C" Logo at left Cuff

16 Colours Available

For A Limited Time
Get FREE Embroidery !!

*Minimum Order: 24



Champion Crewneck (S600):

Price: \$31.97

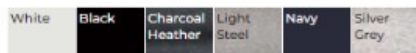
Details:

- Durable cover-stitching
- Set-in sleeves
- Heavy rib knit waistband and cuffs
- "C" logo at left cuff

6 Colours Available

For A Limited Time
Get FREE Embroidery !!

*Minimum Order: 24



Under Armour Hustle Hoodie

\$57.97

Available In Men's & Womens Styles

Minimum Order 14 Hoodies

Includes Embroidered Logo





\$7.97

ATC™ Everyday Rib Knit Slouch Beanie

Item # C112

Share Print Email

This product is made from 100% acrylic. It's stretchy with great shape retention.

Qty Options

Qty* -- Colour --

Please click a button below or contact us for pricing information.

Request Info Request Quote

Create Virtual Sample Download



Colours

Athletic Gold, Black, Concrete Gray, Navy Blue, Neon Lime Green, Orange, Raspberry Pink, Red, Royal Blue, Charcoal Heather Gray

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ATC™ Everyday Knit Skull Cap

Item # C105

Share Print Email

This product is made from 100% acrylic and has great shape retention.

Qty Options

Qty* -- Colour --

Please click a button below or contact us for pricing information.

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Home » BPA Free Bottles » ATC™ Everyday Knit Cuff Toque



\$9.97

ATC™ Everyday Knit Cuff Toque

Item # C100

Share Print Email

This product is made from 100% acrylic and features a 3" folding cuff.

Qty Options

Qty* -- Colour --

Please click a button below or contact us for pricing information.

Request Info Request Quote

Create Virtual Sample Download



Colours

Orange, Athletic Gold, Athletic Green, Black, Green Camouflage, Concrete Gray, Navy Blue, Neon Blue, Neon Lime Green, Neon Pink, Neon Yellow, Athletic Oxford Gray, Red, Black Heather, White, Royal Blue

Next

on Blue, Neon Lime Green, Olive Green, Orange, Raspberry Pink, Red, Royal Blue, Oxford Gray, Navy Blue

\$8.97

**WB7480-C
PEAK TIDE 700 ML. (23.5 FL. OZ.) TRITAN™
BOTTLE**

2.75" Diameter x 10" H

- Tritan™
- Clear single walled bottle
- Your choice of coloured PP screw-on two-toned lid
- Lid can also be used to carry the bottle
- Holds up to 700 ml. (23.5 fl. oz.)
- Wide mouth opening to accommodate ice cubes
- BPA free and FDA compliant
- Hand wash recommended
- For use with cold beverages only

SP 1C – 4" W x 4" H (side)
 SP 1C – 6.5" W x 4" H (wraparound)
 HD360 – 8" W x 4" H (wraparound)
 AQ – 3" W x 3" H (side)

CURRENT PRODUCTION TIMES



36 in stock

← **\$6.89, Qty Available: 36**



Imprint List	No Imprint List	Decorating Info	Check Stock	Delivery			
Colour			Save up to	40	Code	Hi-Res	Virtuals
Red (Clearance Minimum 40 Units)			40%	6.89	C	Hi-Res	Virtuals

Imprinted price includes one colour in one location unless otherwise specified above
 PRICING IN CAD
 Discount percentage has already been applied where indicated.

\$11.62, Qty Available: 665 →

**WB3030-C
ROCKIT FORCE 500 ML. (17 FL. OZ.) BOTTLE**

2.75" Diameter x 9.875" H

- 18/8 Stainless Steel exterior and interior
- Powder coated exterior
- Double walled with vacuum insulation
- Inner Copper insulated liner
- Keep your beverages cold for up to 24 hours
- Screw on Stainless Steel leak proof lid
- Holds up to 500 ml. (17 fl. oz.)
- BPA free and FDA compliant
- Individually retail packaged

SP 1C AQ – 2" W x 3" H (front/back)
 HD360 – 9.11" W x 4" H (wraparound)
 SP 1C – 6.5" W x 3" H (wraparound)

CURRENT PRODUCTION TIMES



665 in stock



Imprint List	No Imprint List	Decorating Info	Check Stock	Delivery			
Colour			Save up to	30	Code	Hi-Res	Virtuals
Grey (Clearance Minimum 30 Units)			40%	11.62	C	Hi-Res	Virtuals

Imprinted price includes one colour in one location unless otherwise specified above
 PRICING IN CAD
 Discount percentage has already been applied where indicated.

Quote#3 – Purple Shark

Toque - \$15.50

Tee - \$16.50

Champion Hoodie – \$41.20

Champion Crew Neck - \$35.25

All prices include decoration and a full 6-color ottor logo. The cost would be significantly lower if the logo had fewer colors.

min. order of 24 or more

Can set up website for individual purchase

Sportsman - 12" Solid Cuffed Beanie - SP12



Call for pricing

Sizes: One Size

Color: White



Register [here](#) to access inventory, pricing, and free marketing tools and resour

Description

Specs

Item #: 83995

- 100% acrylic
- Heather
- Heather
- Other H
- Adjustat

7 Items

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GILDAN® ULTRA COTTON® T-SHIRT. 2000

Call for Pricing



ATC™ EVERYDAY RING SPUN COTTON TEE. ATC2000

Call for Pricing



GILDAN® ULTRA COTTON® TALL T-SHIRT. 2000T

Call for Pricing



ATC™ EVERYDAY RING SPUN COTTON LADIES' TEE. ATC2000L

Call for Pricing



ATC™ EVERYDAY RING SPUN COTTON YOUTH TEE. ATC2000Y

Call for Pricing

Champion - Powerblend® Hooded Sweatshirt - S700



Starting at \$53.50

Sizes: S - 3XL

Color: Body Blush



Register [here](#) to access inventory, pricing, and free marketing tools and resources.

Description

Specs

Item #: 22884

- 9 oz./yd² (US), 15 oz./L yd (CA), 50/50 cotton/polyester
- Light Steel is 50/40/10 cotton/polyester/black polyester
- Silver Grey is 50/48/2 cotton/polyester/black polyester
- Durable cover-stitching throughout
- Two-ply hood

• Dyed-to-color

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• Durable

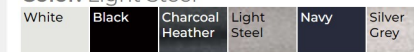
Champion - Powerblend® Crewneck Sweatshirt - S600



Starting at \$39.50

Sizes: S - 3XL

Color: Light Steel



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Description

Specs

Item #: 21284

- 9 oz./yd² (US), 15 oz./L yd (CA), 50/50 cotton/polyester
- Light Steel is 50/40/10 cotton/polyester/black polyester
- Silver Grey is 50/48/2 cotton/polyester/black polyester
- Durable coverstitching throughout
- Heavy ribbed knit waistband and cuffs
- Set-in sleeves
- "C" logo on left sleeve

Pros. and Cons.

Quote#1 – Pegasus

- **Pros.:** The vendor provides a convenient purchasing experience by setting up the website, which includes online payment options, promotional materials, and individually wrapped orders. Plus, there is no minimum order requirement, making it easy to place orders.
- **Cons.:** This vendor only provides t-shirts, hoodies and Sweat/track pants and do not provide samples, higher prices

Pros. and Cons. – continued

Quote#2 – ALL Corporate Printing & Branding

- Pros.:

- The vendor offers a wide variety of products, including clothing, and water bottles
- Lower prices on T-shirts
- Able to provide several samples

- Cons.:

- The vendor requires a minimum order but has expressed interest in collaborating with the parent council and school on the order quantity
- Parent council will have to create flyers and work with the school to collect the order details and money and package each order

Pros. and Cons. – continued

Quote#3 – Purple Shark

- Pros.:

- Offers reasonably priced products and served as the vendor for the previous spirit wear
- Capable of setting up the website for individual purchases

- Cons.:

- Comparatively more expensive than Vendor #2

Ask from the Parent Council

- Choose an vendor to go with
- During the last round of the Spirit Wear campaign, the school council contributed \$200-\$300 to families in need (in the form of voucher) enabling them to make purchases – I suggest we run this initiative again this year.