

# Elizabeth Ziegler (EZ) Public School Council Meeting

## Monday, January 23, 2017 Minutes

### ATTENDANCE

#### VOTING COUNCIL MEMBERS

X	Ingrid Bachmann (Chair)		Martha Norton		Gina Alderman
	Ingrid Wessel (Treasurer)	X	Joanna Thiessen		Krissy Walker
X	Carrie Stevenson (Secretary)	X	Rebecca Calma		Russ O'Neill
X	Rebecca Guzar		Ronda Werner	X	Alexis Motuz
X	Cher Mamuza	X	Erin Heimpel	X	Brenda Prins
	Emily Jaarsma		Becky Klokoff		Dana Zegers

#### NON VOTING COUNCIL MEMBERS/GUESTS

X	Lynne Green (Principal)	X	Sue Tomchick (Teacher)	X	Jennifer Topham
X	Sara MacNeill (VP)		Holly Morwood		

#### 1. WELCOME (Ingrid Bachmann - Chair)

- Minutes were circulated for review via email

*Motion to approve November 21, 2016 minutes.*

*Motion moved by: Alexis*

*Motion Seconded by: Erin*

*Motion passed by: All members in attendance*

#### 2. COMMITTEE OVERVIEW

##### a) Greening – No updates

##### Action items:

- Becki to research hose cart, more buckets, and green [Treegator bags](#) for 2017 tree watering
- Becki to coordinate mulching and clean-up in 2017

##### b) Fundraising

- Terra Cotta batter sales went well
- Dance-a-thon happening February 24, 2017
- E-waste event happening Saturday, April 22, 2017

##### Action items:

- 2017/2018 Terra Cotta gym pick-up to end around 5-5:30 p.m. as there were only a handful of orders left 6 p.m.
- Helen Fidler and Lynne to coordinate final details with Professor Jamz
- Dance-a-thon assembly to occur February 6 at 9 a.m. (time to be changed to 9:30 a.m.)
- Lynne to share financial goals with Professor Jamz (\$5000 school goal, \$20 per student goal)
- Lynne to decline \$1.25 LED rin purchases with Professor Jamz
- Parents to donate to WEFI if they request a tax receipt

##### c) Outreach

##### Action items:

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- Alexis to finalize Region of Waterloo Public Health "Growing Bodies Open Minds" session for February 28 (program is targeted to JK-6 for parents on how to talk to their children about sexual health)
- Alexis to confirm room reservation with Lynne
- Carrie and Becki to share flyer/registration info from past sessions with Alexis
- Joanna to contact ESQ about 2017/2018 ESQ night
- Joanna to update and submit PRO Grant application by due date for 2017/2018 ESQ night

## d) Words out

- Alexis and Rebecca C. have spoken with spoken word artist, Holly Painter, about a presentation geared to grades 4-6
- Holly could develop a presentation based on info she collects ahead of time (e.g. difficult issues facing kids) to help normalize the issues for kids
- Typically council will provide about \$300 for this sort of session

## Action items:

- Alexis and Rebecca Calma to continue their research. Possible artists include [Holly Painter](#) (London, ON) and [Janice Jo Lee](#) (Waterloo, ON).

## 3. FINANCIALS (Ingrid Wessel)

### Balance Statement

	Opening Balance	Balance Oct 20	Balance Nov 21	Balance Jan 23
General Account (#850)	\$5,163.74	\$5,150.22	\$5,150.22	\$5,150.22
Pizza (#851)	\$0.00	\$4,981.25	\$4,066.25	\$2,028.05
Fundraising/magazines (#852)	\$0.00	\$5,061.41	\$2,185.52 *	\$5,058.22
Danceathon	\$0.00	-\$100.00	-\$100.00	-\$100.00
Greening (#854)	\$1,648.91	\$1,648.91	\$1,648.91	\$1,648.91
Words Out (#855)	\$345.17	\$345.17	\$345.17	\$345.17
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$7,157.82</b>	<b>\$17,086.96</b>	<b>\$13,296.07</b>	<b>\$14,130.57</b>
<b>VARIANCE</b>		<b>\$9,929.14</b>	<b>-\$3,790.89</b>	<b>\$834.50</b>

\* Pizza payment of \$2,346, deposit of \$307.80

\*\* Fundraising deposit of: \$67.38 for Mabel's Labels and \$237.32 for Magazines;  
 \$67.38 for Mabel's Labels  
 \$237.32 for Magazines  
 \$6,462 for Terra Cotta

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<b>Funding Commitments:</b>	Fundraising payment of \$3,894 for Terra Cotta
Power of One	\$ 950.00
Scooter Rack	\$ 250.00
Kindie Ipads (3) and Chromebook charging station	\$ 2,000.00
Outdoor play (\$50 x 24 classes)	\$ 1,200.00
Board games (\$50 x 18 classes)	\$ 900.00

## 4. PRINCIPAL REPORT (Lynne Green)

- December math night was well received. Parents enjoyed the open house/free flowing nature. There were so many staff involved that the evening required very little parental support in terms of planning and executing. Wide appeal allows for flexibility in scheduling (ie. Does not have to be tied into Christmas event). Snow date conflicted with MacGregor Senior Public School event so some EZ parents had to choose between the events.
- Large chalkboard has been installed on the side of the storage shed. Kids are enjoying it!
- January 26 will be pyjama day
- February 17 will be backwards day
- Sara MacNeill, Vice Principal, started in early January
- Nancy Sharko, Head Custodian, started in early January
- Sara is managing the school Twitter account
- Spiritwear vendor and graphic have been confirmed. Spiritwear to be available after March Break.
- Vendor that supplied scooter rack quote has likely closed shop as they are not replying to messages. Joan Cochrane is researching alternative options.
- Joan Cochrane and Carrie collected Triple Hoop Toss quotes per the November council discussion:  
**SUPPLIER** \$1835.12 (tax incl.), Marchard's \$1220.35 + freight, Henderson \$1298.14 (tax + freight Incl.)

### Action items:

- Lynne to research stencelling cost with Pat Doyle and present findings in February 2017
- Cam Day to gather gym wall graphic costs from other schools and present findings in February 2017
- Lynne to ask other schools about possible scooter rack vendors
- Joan to continue searching for scooter rack vendors

## 5. CHAIR REPORT (Ingrid Bachmann)

- Reviewed summary of council-led initiatives including activities, money raised, and money spent (originally shared in November)
- Volunteer still required to attend Waterloo Region Assembly of Public School Councils (WRAPSC) meetings. WRAPSC meets once per month at Forest Heights.
- Is there interest in a social gathering to get to know other council members? General consensus is that members are busy so better to socialize while planning council initiatives (e.g. last year's nutrition night)

### Action items:

- Ingrid to forward monthly WRAPSC minutes that are emailed to [ezparentcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:ezparentcouncil@gmail.com)
- Ingrid to forward monthly revenue/expenses (\$ earned/\$ spent)
- Ingrid to forward monthly volunteer needs (e.g. pizza Fridays, dance money counting, etc.)

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## 6. FUTURE MEETING DATES

- Meetings will occur on the following Mondays:  
February 27, 2017  
March 27, 2017  
April 24, 2017  
May 29, 2017
- June social – Carrie suggested hosting it at an establishment owned by Ryan Good (Taco Farm or Chainsaw) to recognize his ongoing support of the BBQ. After checking with Ryan, it won't be possible to host at either of these locations so council must find a suitable venue.

## 7. FEBRUARY AGENDA ITEMS

## 8. MISCELLANEOUS

- Brenda asked Lynne to recap the book fair findings (see November 21 minutes). Given the board policy of not allowing staff time to be devoted to book fairs (ie. Selling products for companies) and the need for many volunteers, EZ won't be pursuing a fair.
- Council members discussed organizing a used book sale but quickly realized the logistics involved in moving, gathering, sorting, selling, and discarding books is labour-intensive.
- To capitalize on the "sale" idea and to tie-in with Earth Day, it was suggested that a community garage sale be tied into the e-waste event on April 22.
- Jen Topham offered to clean-up and lay mulch in the front garden around the evergreen trees. Lynne explained that the gardens may be sodded over by Rob Seeley's team.
- Jen Topham offered to repair the Little Library door and to drill holes to prevent gravel from accumulating inside.
- Jen Topham suggested involving students in the garden by planning succulents around the evergreens as they grow easily and are hardy

### Action items:

- Carrie to connect Jola with volunteers who are interested in organizing a garage sale
- Jen to repair Little Library door and drill holes to allow gravel to escape
- Jen to let Lynne know when she plans to tidy the gardens to ensure it doesn't conflict with Rob Seeley's plans

## 9. ADJOURNMENT (Chair, Ingrid Bachmann)