

# Elizabeth Ziegler (EZ) Public School Council Meeting

## Monday, September 26, 2016 Minutes

### ATTENDANCE

#### VOTING COUNCIL MEMBERS

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

#### NON VOTING COUNCIL MEMBERS/GUESTS

X	Lynne Green (Principal)	X	Sue Tomchick (Teacher)	
X	Lori Peebles (Vice Principal)	X	Holly Morwood	

#### 1. WELCOME (Lynne Green - Principal)

- Agenda shared via projector
- Pleased to see many new faces among the many returning faces

#### 2. REVIEW COUNCIL'S ROLES (Lynne Green – Principal)

- We are a school-based organization, with a focus on the school
- Council is focused on these 4 key areas: Numeracy and Literacy, Community Engagement, Healthy Living, Arts and Culture
- Quorum was set at 6 voting members
- Becki Guzar encouraged members to consider sitting on the Waterloo Region Assembly of Public School Councils (WRAPSC) as she is no longer able to do. WRAPSC meets once per month at Forest Heights and forwards their minutes to the EZ Council email so the minutes will be forwarded as received.

#### 3. SCHOOL COUNCIL EXECUTIVE

- Chairperson: Ingrid Bachmann (acclaimed)
- Treasurer: Ingrid Wessel (acclaimed)
- Secretary: Carrie Stevenson (acclaimed)

#### 4. SCHOOL COUNCIL VOTING MEMBERS

- Meeting attendees were asked to include their contact details on the circulated list if they wish to be voting members
- Voting members should make a concerted effort to attend most meetings to ensure they have relevant info when making decisions

#### Action items:

- Lynne and Ingrid B. to share this list with Carrie for attendance purposes

#### 5. FUTURE MEETING DATES

- Meetings will occur on the following Mondays:

October 24, 2016	March 27, 2017
November 21, 2016	April 24, 2017
January 23, 2017	May 29, 2017
February 27, 2017	June social TBD

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## 6. COMMITTEE OVERVIEW

- a) Words out – In the past, this group focused on literacy-based programs and organized author visits, the One School, One Book program, and created the EZ World magazine. Donna Martin was responsible for the graphic design of the magazine and is no longer on council as her children have graduated from EZ. Rebecca Seiling and Lisa Roy coordinated the One School, One Book program in 2015-2016. Unsure of their intentions in 2016-2017.
- b) Greening – Rebecca Guzar (Becki) reported that the summer watering went well with the exception of one tree dying before the end of the 2015-2016 school year (it will be replaced under warranty). Becki will coordinate a spring mulching if necessary after the snow melts. She'll coordinate a fall clean-up (2017-2018) so that the yard is left in good condition when she moves on from council when her last child graduates.
  - Lynne reported that Rob Seeley (WRDSB) noticed overgrowth close to front of building so he is having it removed. Among items being cleaned-up are Mrs. Feere's kindergarten garden, walnut trees, and brush. A parent asked about the need for a 2<sup>nd</sup> sand trough but Lynne/Lori say the original isn't so popular that we need a 2<sup>nd</sup>.

### Action items:

- Becki to research hose cart, more buckets, and green [Tregator bags](#) for 2017 tree watering
  - Becki to coordinate mulching and clean-up in 2017
  - Lynne to ask Rob Seeley to consider leveling the baseball diamonds to remove divots
- c) Fundraising – Carrie Stevenson briefly outlined the 2015-2016 results (approximately \$12000) and listed this year's activities [Fresh from the Farm (September), Terra Cotta cookie sales (October), QSP magazines (ongoing), Mabel's Labels (ongoing), Professor Jamz Dance-a-Thon (Feb. 24), and e-recycling (April)].
    - Darryl Finnigan (EZ parent) attended to give overview of Fresh from the Farm, not realizing we were already registered. Council feedback was positive around this fundraiser.

### Action items:

- Carrie to share QSP info with Lori so that she can post on Twitter and the website
- d) Outreach – Past workshops were parent-driven based on interests and expertise. Parents are encouraged to bring forth ideas and a willingness to run with them!
    - Lynne/Lori working with keen EZ parents and teachers to host a math night (possibly November 2016) based on the success of MacGregor Sr. P.S.'s event in 2015-2016. Event is in its beginning stages and will likely be very hands-on.

### Action items:

- Carrie to resend contact details to Lynne/Lori for those parents who expressed interest in helping plan the event

## 7. FINANCIALS (Ingrid Wessel)

- Stay tuned in October for an update

## 8. VICE PRINCIPAL REPORT (Lori Peebles)

- Lori outlined the process to register for EZ website update notifications (visit <https://elz.wrdsb.ca/> and enter your email address in the "Get news from this website" box). Lori encouraged parents to follow EZ on Twitter @EZieglerPS) and to check the school calendar (<https://elz.wrdsb.ca/calendar/>).
- When asked about the "Power of One" assembly that Council funded in 2015-2016 for this school year, Lori explained that it fits within the WITS (Walk Away, Ignore, Talk it Out, Seek Help) anti-bullying program and elaborated that a community police officer would be visiting the school monthly to establish relationships with students by talking to them, reading books with them, etc. The same officer will be attending the assembly once a mutually convenient date can be established.

## 9. PRINCIPAL REPORT (Lynne Green)

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- The two scooter racks funded by Council in 2015-2016 will be purchased and installed shortly now that the construction equipment and fencing has been removed from behind the school.
- Teachers are inventorying their classroom electronics to help Council decide on spending priorities
- Cam Day had an acquaintance design a tiger paw that is appropriate for grades JK through 6. Among other things, the paw will be printed on various spirit wear goods. Cam is coordinating the spirit wear and sourcing samples so Becky Klokoff and Carrie Stevenson do not need to follow-up on past inquiries.
- A parent asked if EZ will be participating in Waterloo Regional Police Services' [Name the Canine contest](#).

## Action items:

- Lynne/Lori to research the Name the Canine contest.

## 10. CHAIR REPORT (Outgoing Chair, Carrie Stevenson)

- Requested that Council reimburse her for \$14 in BBQ-related expenses
- Suggested that the June parent social happen at either Taco Farm or Chainsaw as a “thanks” to Ryan Good for his ongoing support of the fall BBQ.

Motion # 1 : To reimburse Carrie for the BBQ purchases she made.

*Motion moved by:* Carrie

*Motion Seconded by:* Becki G.

***Motion passed*** by all members of school council in attendance

## 11. ADJOURNMENT (Outgoing Chair, Carrie Stevenson)