

### **ECOLE PARC ELEMENTAIRE**

# SCHOOL COUNCIL AND FUNDRAISING SOCIETY ANNUAL REPORT

## 2015 / 2016

#### **EXECUTIVE:**

School Council Fundraising Society

Chair – Jennifer Dechaine Chair – Jennifer Dechaine

Vice-Chair – Alicia Donnelly Vice-Chair – Alicia Donnelly

Secretary – Trishia McClelland Secretary – Trishia McClelland

Treasurer – Tanya Holwell

**Meeting Dates:** 

September 9, 2015 (AGM) February 18, 2016

September 24, 2015 March 3, 2016

November 5, 2015 April 7, 2016

December 3, 2015 May 5, 2016

January 7, 2016 June 2, 2016

#### **School Council Activities:**

This year held some major leadership changes for the school. The year began with the departure of Vice Principal Monsieur Layton and the hiring of Madame Flynn to take his place. In December Principal Madame Luyckfassel moved on to a new role with the ATA and Monsieur Layton returned to the school to fill the Principal role. Activities of note this year was the development of a new report card in a strictly digital format, website rebranding, a shift in the approach of the traditional library to a learning commons concept, and the amendment to the School Act with Policy 19 (Welcome, caring, respectful, and safe learning and working environments and student code of conduct). Council also made a concerted effort to improve communication with EPE parents through timely updates to the school website, Gazette, and the parent Facebook page.

## **Fundraising Society Activities:**

After finishing a very busy two years with the school move and playground build the Fundraising Society had a quieter 2015-2016 school year. We organized four fundraisers – Poinsettias (Nov/Dec), Regal (April), Spring Plants (May), School Supplies (June). With the help of Elaine Wasylenchuk we successfully applied for a DOWGives Contribution totaling \$600.00.

The hot lunch program continued on a one event per month schedule. Lunch providers were a combination of The Lunch Lady and our own parent volunteers lead by Stephanie Butler and Elaine Wasylenchuk. The program is structured to break even and any remaining funds are put towards the free BBQ for staff and students at the end of the year.

On December 15<sup>th</sup> we hosted a popcorn sale and all proceeds were donated to support the purchase of an adapted vehicle for Claire Layton (Ryan Layton's daughter).

Proceeds from the Poinsettia fundraiser, totaling \$950.00, were donated to Fort Saskatchewan Families First Society.

Remaining money from this year's fundraisers and the Dec 2013 casino was used to support a variety of improvements within the school, special events, and opportunities for students.

- Learning Commons upgrades (furniture and books)
- Garden Club development
- Cultural Wheel workshop
- Conferences Wisest (4 students) and Young Authors (6 students)
- Performances Saphire (Circus and positive self image), Petits Cochons dans un Conot (Puppet Theatre), and Les Berchon (Lumberjacks)
- Physical Education equipment
- Lego for Makerspace
- Learn through play materials for PALS program
- Teacher Treats (\$100 per classroom for student incentives)
- Family dance

**Financial Statement (attached):** The financial statement attached is not the final statement, as the reporting period will end on August 31, 2016.

School Council Chair	Date	
Fundraising Society Vice Chair	Date	