



JENNIE ELLIOTT PARENT SCHOOL ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

Sept 15, 2026

Attendees: Lucene Tahmazian, Scott Downing, Kim Kelly, Jamie Popwich, Chris Machado, Amanda Showalter, Kate Kozowyk, Kimberley Andjelic, Mike Arnieri, Matthew Line, Sarah Haughey, Logan Haddad, Charles Fagbemi, Carley Winter, Alicia Dyck, Clinton Hallahan, Johanna Felske, Chelsea Miklos, Geoff Matthews, Megan McClelland

1. Call to Order

- Called to order 7:16PM

2. Review of Agenda

3. Approve Minutes from meeting as presented

- Amanda motion to approve; Johanna seconded

4. Financial Report

a. Review of Treasurers Report *

- JEPSA is the organisation that can do fundraising
- Currently a high balance because of the casino – but we can only hold those every other year (next one will be Q2 of 2027)
- Not a lot of significant spending to date – only outlay since last meeting was an insurance payment
- Big expenditures generally are:
 - Student Educational Enrichment (residencies, etc.)
 - Special Projects (Courtyard)
 - Program related expenses (equipment; resource materials; supplies, etc.)
 - This typically has been distributed to teachers per classroom in the past
 - This year they did a different take to create a bigger draw for fundraising and they put together kits for the Gala that would support what was needed
 - Fundraising will be really important for the school budget this year as all of the school RAM was put towards staffing. Confident that we can run with the budget we have.



- Not able to fundraise for staff salaries

5. Fundraising Committees

i. All year - Bottle Collection Fundraiser

- This is a great way to contribute/fundraise
- The app is very convenient, and they pick up all your bottles and 100% of the return goes to the school
- The company does not take a cut and has been very accommodating
- This has a really big upside and a lot of potential to be a significant amount of funds
- May try to do a big bottle drive after December

ii. Jennie's Night Out - cause for upcoming year

- Really good event
- Potentially fundraise for outdoor excursions and supplies – people loved purchasing specific items
- Live and silent auction both raise a large sum of money
- Trying to decide which big-ticket item is the main fundraising goal for this event
 - We need something to focus our attention on now that Courtyard is wrapping up
 - \$40k would be good to earmark for the kids' outdoor education etc.
 - Marquee Sign? – will have to go through Facilities to see if there is any appetite for this / get some quotes

6. New Business

- The cell tower was **NOT** approved by Lucence/JES ☐
- Revamped our website over the summer – we don't need to do ongoing maintenance and hopefully the work-page will be enough for now
- Need to de-commission the existing JESC Instagram Account because JES has now started an official Instagram account
- Need to emphasis the marketing – website can include commercial items (and we cannot send out emails with commercial content but can do it on the website)



- Facebook needs to be amended to drop the name of “Council” – it is still helpful for volunteering, we use it sparingly and it is arms length but it is helpful and we do get hits

7. Adjourn for the evening

- Adjourned at 7:44PM