



## Elgin Court PTA/Parent Counsel

### Meeting Minutes

**Date: September 8, 2024, 6:00 pm**

Attendees: Betsy – Chair, Michelle - Treasurer, Sarah- Secretary, Meghan, Joanne, Brittany, Renee, Natalia, Allison, Ray, Lisa, Kuluvinder, Jasvinder, Michelle, Ms Katie Jeffries, Ms Samantha Hart

1. Welcome – June minutes approved – Moved: Michelle, Second: Brittany
2. Old business:
  - a. Technology items have been purchased, waiting for cases for the iPads. Items include, 10 Chromebooks, 10 iPads, 3D printer.
  - b. Grade 8 Graduation: Total funds PTA contributed \$953.26 Included, McDonalds meal, decorations, candy table.
    - Would like to see more Grade 7 families participate in the set up/transition/clean-up. Early January a grad committee will be arranged, encouraging grade 7 parents to be involved so grade 8 parents can focus on the evening and their grad.
  - c. Year End BBQ: Took place during the year end Funday. Sour keys as the treat instead of freezes went over well with students.
  - d. Snack Program:
    - PC grant has been approved, waiting for the final amount before we review if there is a need for a letter to be prepared to reach out to community partners / local companies for support.
  - e. Team/club parties: PTA will sponsor a party/recognition for all teams and clubs in December and June rather than individual parties.
  - f. Holiday Lunch: Traditionally PTA has organized a turkey dinner with all the sides, bun, corn, stuffing, cranberry sauce. As a group we are looking at alternatives as there is a lot of waste with the individual turkey dinners, not all children eat or like the meal.  
Alternative suggestions: Spaghetti with red/white/plain sauce. Pancake breakfast.  
Betsy: to ask caterer for options including pricing and dietary restrictions.
  - g. Flip Give for Elgin Court Public School: Team Code: **6WGD69**

- i. [https://shop.flipgive.com/onboarding/join?fundraiser\\_name=Sarah+Carnahan&joincode=6WGD69](https://shop.flipgive.com/onboarding/join?fundraiser_name=Sarah+Carnahan&joincode=6WGD69)
3. Treasurer's Report:
  - a. E-Gaming account is approximately \$ 27 500. We have a student activity reserve of \$25 per student to use for a class activity or a field trip  
E-Gaming funds are raised from working BINGO shifts and those funds can be used for specific restrictions such as school functions or technology. The General account is managed through the school and there are less restrictions on how those funds can be used.
4. BINGO report:
  - a. Lindsay is attending the GM tonight (Sep 8<sup>th</sup>) will provide any updated at next meeting.
  - b. BINGO shifts need to be covered by parent volunteers working a 2 hour shift with a partner, approximately 3 shifts per month. Our school receives approximately \$3K/month. If you would like to participate, please reach out to Lindsay, l\_gray04@hotmail.com, and complete the online training at the link <https://www.charitablegaming.com/volunteer-training>
5. Principals Report:
  - a. Primary classes are at capacity. Our student population is 340, no online classrooms.
  - b. Grade 5 and 6 classes went on a field trip to the London Airshow last, successful.
  - c. Soccer tournament this Wednesday
  - d. Cross Country meet in October
  - e. Student counsel is starting soon
  - f. Current fundraiser: Fresh from the Farm. All proceeds are going towards supporting the Snack Program at the school
  - g. Goal this year is to have more parent and family involvement in the school community. If you have any ideas please share with Ms Jefferies or Ms Hart
6. New Business:
  - a. Meet the Families October 10<sup>th</sup> 5-7pm
    - i. BBQ for the evening, hotdog, chips and a drink. 1 free hot dog per family member. Can purchase extras
      - Michelle to order food
      - Ms Jefferies to send out an RSVP to families for an estimate number of families attending
      - Call out for volunteer to help run the BBQ
  - b. Halloween Dance: all grades and their families invited
    - i. Tentative date: Oct.28<sup>th</sup> 6-8 pm

c. Spirit wear: Betsy to get a quote for pricing

7. Teacher Requests:

Schneider: Funding to support school nutrition program \$1200.00

Burgess: Grade 3-8 What in the World Canadian Reader Subscription \$779.70

McDonald: Eco Team, Funding for compost bags \$100.00

Chelchowski: All students, 4 sets of rainbow jump bands to be used in music class  
\$173.05

Ostrander: All students, Treat for Terry Fox School Run \$157.96

Moved by: Michelle, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Joanne

All requests were approved coming from the e-gaming account.

**NEXT MEETING:**

**Monday October 7th, 2024 at 6:00 pm in the library. Virtual option will be available next month.**

**Elections and nominations for next meeting.**