

**Jessie Duncan Elementary School
Parent Society
Minutes**

Wednesday, October 21, 2020

1.0 Call to order 7:41pm by Chairperson Stephanie Willmer

Members present:

Stephanie Willmer, Chairperson
Nora Holben, Vice-Chairperson
Ronan Mackey, Treasurer
Natasha Caissie, Secretary
Kory Sholdice, Principal
Susan Dillabough, Vice-Principal
Sherry Cooper, School Board Trustee
Shaun Kranenborg, Councillor Town of Penhold
Jamie Seiyama, Family Resource Coordinator
Natalie Collett, Director
Elizabeth Dahl, Director (via video conference)
Tori King, Director
Rob Mackinnon, Parent

Members Absent:

Kristyn Sutherland, Director

2.0 **Approval of Agenda**

Moved By: Nora Holben
Seconded By: Tori King
CARRIED

3.0 **Approval of Minutes from September 16, 2020 meeting**

Moved By: Nora Holben
Seconded By: Tori King
CARRIED

4.0 **Approval of Treasurer's Report, as attached**

- Owe \$8649.21 for the playground

Moved By: Nora Holben
Seconded By: Tori King
CARRIED

5.0 **Reports/Updates**

a) **Executive's Report –**

- ASCA Task Force Survey same as re-entry survey already sent out -on website

6.0 Business arising from prior Minutes

a) Fundraisers

i) Charity Checkstop with Penhold Elementary in Spring

- Discussion tabled until details are known
- Restrictions due to COVID

ii) New Fundraiser Ideas Round Table

- Motion sent out via email to continue with past fundraisers was opposed (see attached)
- Old fundraisers-
Poinsettias- through Parkland Nursery, higher profit fundraiser (2019-\$1725) pre-sale and pickup tickets parents go directly to parkland to get items,
Fundscrip (Gift cards)- purchase gift cards and group gets a percentage, send items home with students, lower profits than others as there is no markup
Indi-go- cookie dough/muffin mixes/coffee/tea, order items and parents must pick up items
- New Fundraiser ideas-
The Mixing Spoon-alternative to the cookie dough, no refrigeration needed, local business, no minimum/shipping, no current group using, need to be picked up
Team Fund-online promotion/no paper forms, real time monitoring, set time to pick-up, 50 item minimum, need pickup location
Option to just donate

iii) Voting on Fundraisers, Dates and Organizers

Motion:

- to hold 2 fundraisers during the 2020-2021 school year

Moved By: Stephanie Willmer

Seconded By: Natalie Collett

CARRIED

- Voting occurred between the various fundraisers with Poinsettias and Team Fund receiving the most votes

Motion to:

- hold the Poinsettia fundraiser to run November 2-16
- prices to be \$20 for regular and \$50 for Jumbo
- proceeds to be deposited into the playground account

Moved By: Stephanie Willmer

Seconded By: Natalie Collett
CARRIED

- **hold the Team Fund fundraiser in the Spring**
- **dates to be determined**

Moved By: Stephanie Willmer
Seconded By: Rob Mackinnon
CARRIED

- Stephanie will organize the poinsettia fundraiser

b) Check to pay off Playground

Motion to:

- **Pay off the remaining balance of the playground tonight (October 21)**

Moved By: Stephanie Willmer
Seconded By: Natalie Collett
CARRIED

Discussion occurred as to what kind of recognition we can give to donors, ribbon cutting ceremony, media announcements

Tabled until we can determine guidelines/possibilities

7.0 New Business

a) Casino Update

- Went very well, all volunteer spots were filled
- Would definitely be interested in doing it again when our spot comes up again (2-3 years)

b) Adopt a family

- Want to stay local through the school- gift cards to places rather than gifts?

- **Motion to:**

- **Set a budget of \$1500 to be taken out of the General account to sponsor an undetermined amount of Jessie Duncan families**

Moved by: Stephanie Willmer
Seconded by: Tori King
CARRIED

8.0 Next meeting and Adjournment

- Next meeting will be on Wednesday November 18, 2020 following the Jessie Duncan Elementary School Council meeting
- Meeting adjourned at 8:55h

Minutes Approved on the _____ day of _____, 20____.

_____ *Chairperson*

_____ *Secretary*

Steph Willmer Tue, Oct 13, 11:54 AM

Good day everyone,

I am sorry for the mass email. However I feel that we need to decide what fundraisers our focus is on this year, prior to our next meeting on the 21st.

I have talked to a few families at the school and they all have said that they would like to see the fundraisers remain the same. I think to keep things as normal as possible. We have had so many unexpected events happen, people are trying to find some normalcy. Our 3 major fundraisers each year are:

- Poinsettias through Parkland Garden Center
- Gift Cards via Fundscript
- Cookie Dough with In-Dey-Go.

I move that we keep all fundraisers to a minimum and stay with the usual 3.

Can I please get a second (*hit reply all to this email when seconding and all in favouring*)

Elizabeth Dahl Tue, Oct 13, 1:04 PM

I second this.
Elizabeth

Nora Tue, Oct 13, 1:09 PM

I 2nd this email

Sent from my iPhone

Steph Willmer Tue, Oct 13, 1:46 PM

All in Favour?

Natasha Caissie Tue, Oct 13, 1:52 PM

Yes

Julie MacKinnon

Tue, Oct 13, 2:05 PM

Opposed. Consumer buying habits have changed drastically over the past 6 months. Families are also facing different economic situations due to the pandemic. I would like to suggest at least one new fundraising idea that would potential fit with the new lifestyle people have and support health and wellness within our community.

- seeds

<https://www.westcoastseeds.com/pages/fundraising>

<https://makeitsow.com/program/>

I have a few more ideas if there's time to consider them.

Rob MacKinnon

Tue, Oct 13, 2:09 PM

I'm opposed as well. I think we should at least discuss any new proposed fundraising ideas at the next meeting as we talked about before we make a final decision.

Kristyn Sutherland

Tue, Oct 13, 2:43 PM

Opposed as well, I think we need new innovative ways to support people's economic situations and lifestyles...

I completely agree with keeping some normalcy but I also think it would be nice to see some change as well!

These are great ideas Julie! I would love to hear what else you think we could do. We can always add in another fundraiser for the spring that is for sure or even change the one that we have scheduled for then.