**L’Ecole Edward Johnson Public School**

**Minutes for School Council Meeting**

**Monday, September 19, 2016**

1. **Welcome and Introductions**

* Agenda approved

1. **Treasurers Report**

* Current balance $6,773.00

1. **Principal’s Report**

* The school is currently running the ropes and climbing course
* There will be more information to report at the October meeting as more events are scheduled

1. **Election of Council Executive**

Chair – Amanda Gudino

Co-Chair – Rebecca Deckers

Treasurer – Meghan Oblenes

Co-Treasurer – Suzanne Williams (shadow – Melanie Peckford)

Secretary – Nadine Paralovos

Co-Secretary – Noor Amatul

Communications – Maureen Oesch

Co-Communications – Jamie Baggio

Co-Communications – Mark Paralovos

1. **Vote**

Scientist in the Classroom (cost $3,120.00) - **passed**

Do Re Mi (cost $5,200.00) **- passed**

Leslie (basic music theory – cost TBD) – **passed**

Silver Birch Books (cost $2,000.00) - **passed**

1. **Form Committees**

Various committees discussed and volunteer sign-up sheets passed around (pizza, Holiday Market, Fundraising, Grants, Snack Program, Yard, PIC, etc.)

1. **Lunch Lady/Lunch Box**

There is a new board policy regarding payment (must be through School Cash Online). As the Lunch Lady and Lunch Box programs do not use School Cash Online, they will not be offered this year (pizza/milk program only). There may still be an opportunity to offer smoothies; this will be confirmed in the near future.

1. **French Second Language Advisory Committee**

Amanda is a parent member. If anyone has any input or items that they wish to have brought to the committee, please discuss with Amanda.

1. **Miscellaneous**

* A suggestion was made to start soliciting feedback from teachers in June regarding the programs they liked or did not like and ask for programming suggestions (i.e. what do they want to see in their classroom?).
* A few comments were made regarding the volume of information provided to parents in September, together with short deadlines for permission slips, fees, etc. This is particularly confusing for parents who are new to the EJ community. Is there a way to streamline this information? More discussion surrounding this will be needed.
* During the September 12, 2016, information session, it was suggested that council meetings be recorded and uploaded to something like YouTube so that more people can access the information (i.e. if they miss a meeting). It was decided, however, that due to privacy concerns, this is not possible.
* Mark and Katherine to look into linking the school’s twitter account to the School Council Facebook page.

**Next meeting Monday, October 17, 2016, in the EJ Library (6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.)**.