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# School Council Meeting Minutes

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## Abraham Erb Public School

April 17, 2019 - School Library 7:15pm

**Members Present:** Alison P., Becky L., Carolyn M., Jennifer K., Karen H., Lan W., Lee R., Leena S. (Minutes), Megha B., Melinda H., Sheila S., Tamara C., Tracy M., Vaidhehi K.,

**Absent:** Amy W., Dan L., Deb B., Deji S., Farzana D., Jing X., Julie I., Kelly S., Vera J.

**Guests (signed in only):** Deepika M., Lindsay K., Masoomah R., Seun S.

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**Agenda item: Welcome Presenter: Jennifer K.**

**Discussion:**

- MH motioned to approve March minutes. SS seconded the motion. All voted unanimously to approve March minutes.
- 375 in attendance for STEAM night. Volunteers from SJAM were engaged and patient with the painting activity. UW Engineering Science Quest was enjoyed by all and required no volunteers or help. Only suggestion was to plan for more space for drying paintings.
- Trustees approved boundary study unanimously. Grade 6s will go to Grade 7 at Laurelwood P.S. in the fall.

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**Agenda item: Principal's Report Presenter: Heather**

**Discussion:**

- Congratulations to all volunteers for a successful STEAM night.
- April 12 was the PD day where teachers attended workshops across the region.
- Harlem Globetrotters came to the school to visit and were part of the school assembly.
- Unstoppable Tracy did a presentation on determination and inclusivity, connected to Hero Gem message.
- More bulletin boards installed throughout the school to showcase student work and make connections to the curriculum.
- Field trips: Crawford Lake, Safety Village, Earth Sciences Museum at UW, Rm 7 visited residents at the Court at Laurelwood
- April 23 - Kindergarten & sibling picture day.
- April 26 - Earth Day activities
- April 28 - Science Fair.
- April 29 - senior administration team, director and superintendent, director's assistant to visit the school.
- May 1 - two grade 4 classes involved in TMISS - international math and science assessment that 1600 schools participate in globally.
- May 15 - Kindergarten open house
- May 22-24 - Grade 3 EQAO

- May 27-29 - Grade 6 EQAO
- Funding questions as a result of government change will be answered at the end of April. Parent council will be informed as more is learned.
- EQAO analysis is used by teachers to see where kids are struggling and how to change teaching methods to avoid misconceptions.

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**Agenda item:      Fun Fair Update                      Presenter:   Jennifer K.**

**Discussion:**

- JK looking for a contact for face painting
- Fun Fair is May 30, 5:30-7:30pm
- Need volunteers to help that night. At the beginning of May a note to parents about the event and request for volunteers with time slots, request to bake cakes, and info on teach baskets will go home.
- Please watch school-day notes for fun fair updates and requests leading up to the event.

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**Agenda item:      Treasurer's Report                                      Presenter:   Carolyn M.**

**Discussion:**

- Amounts that were budgeted went through.
- Approved budget expense of \$1153.69 spent on STEAM night (budgeted \$1500), including UW Eng Quest.
- \$1000 might come through for pro grant
- \$4127.45 raised from op out fundraiser
- \$1845 spent on Scientists in the Classroom

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Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:15pm

## APPENDIX #1: Log of Open Action Items

*Noted: Closed items are only noted here if the item was in open status at the beginning of the meeting*

Action	Person Responsible	Deadline	Status	Meeting Raised
Investigate idea for mental health and anxiety speaker and provide update	Sheila	April	IN PROGRESS	Nov 21
Put a call out to the school for family fun night planning committee	Jennifer	Feb 16	CLOSED	Jan 16