École Discovery Trails Parent Advisory Council **MEETING MINUTES**

For April 10th, 2025 at Ecole Discovery Trails at 7:00pm Attendance: Mike Lawson, Cassie Brillinger, Nadine Lam, Jen Bates Lagae, Amy Odusola Staff: Samuel Jerema, Jenn Kroetsch

Guests: Mandy Cantelon, Jazmyn Strydom, Janeth Enns, Ana Laura Peters, Jenna Skoglund

Regrets: Jessica Derksen

	Agenda Item What is to be accomplished	Discussion/Decision	Actions/follow-up required and by whom/when
1.	Welcome and call to order	The meeting was called to order at [7:00pm] by Mike Lawson	
2.	Adopt agenda Additions or deletions	Additions NONE Deletions NONE MOTION: to adopt the agenda as presented Carried	
3.	Minutes of last meeting	MOTION : to approve the minutes of the [March 6 th , 2025] meeting	
4.	Fundraising Committee	Tam Can - Attendance was very low this year and was very close to cancelling it - Mike L. followed up with Dave H. and they stated he much preferred smaller numbers - Pembina Valley came and did interviews - 6-7 parents volunteered for the Canteen - We should create a list of what we did this year and who donated what, provide the list to Dave so he can pass on to the next group - Having a pre and post meeting with Dave would be better for next year - Dave would allow us to use his coffee machine - Things to consider for next year ○ Giant Tiger would donate juice boxes if we contacted them at least 2 weeks in advance ○ Donuts can be sold for more Hot Lunch - No pizza lunches this month - DSL is doing Subway Lunch - Potential to alternate months for lunch. One month for DSL and one for PAC - PAC Pizza Lunch − May 29 th and 30 th , 2025	- Mandy C., Brent Bates Lagae, Theresa G. will organize Pizza Lunches
		Spring Fundraiser - Pizzapalooza – Pizza Lunch and Selling Pizzas at the same time o Spenst Brother – Hoping to do same after Co-op fundraiser – end of May	- Jen B. L. and Jessica D. to arrange same

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		 Top class that sells the most spenst brother pizza gets to make pizza with Mr. Jerema in the home ec lab 	
		Smile Cookie - Jenna S. applied and application has been passed on to the owner of Tim Hortons	
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4.	Teacher/ Principle's Report Samuel Jerema	March Update - Admin Council – will take a little longer to finalize the Super Intendant	
		Festival of the Arts - Students ware preparing for the choir Grade 3-4 students are preparing on	
		Tuesday 60 kids in choir	
		Park Recess	
		- Happening again	
		- Grade 3-4 students will be going on Tuesday and will be staying out later so the	
		choir kids can go do their performances	
		Grass on the Property	
		- Interior circle of the grass was planted	
		early	
		- Grass on the perimeter of the track was planted late	
		- Kids finding ways to get around staying off	
		the grass	
		- Community members are currently	
		walking all over the grass, wondering how this is going to affect the warranty	
		Play Structure	
		- Used by the Daycare and other community	
		members, which is a great thing	
		New Grade 7 for 2025-2026 School Year	
		- Currently preparing to get the grade 7's in	
		- Sam is currently working on the curriculum and all the options provided to	
		the Grade 7's	
		- There will be 3 classes total; therefore,	
		there will only be 3 grade 7 teachers - Will get lots of time in home economics	
		lab and industrial arts lab	
		- School division has allocated a large	
		allowance for the Home Ec and Industrial Arts Lab	
		- Mr. Devin Addison will be the Industrial	
		Arts Teacher	
		- Band and Choir – looking to figure out	
		what the options are going to look like.	

		 Still trying to figure it out how to provide all the programming and options to the students Ms. Dyck will be teaching band/music in some form Timetable will look different than other schools but it will likely be a 1 off. EDT Sports for Gr. 7 – Presented by Mr. Eddy Zone 4 – teams of different schools come together and play in different leagues Smaller version – Altona, Gretna, Winkler and Plum Coulee Will have teams in cross country, soccer, volleyball, basketball, badminton, track and field sports. EDT will have an option to host and create more fundraiser opportunities by running canteens Will be a brand-new experience for some students This year, they have been trying to get the Gr. 5 and 6 up to speed to prepare for next year. We would like to have Jerseys for the school Small Goal: 20 – 25 jerseys per gender Cost - \$30.00 per jersey Big Goal: Have multiple sets of jerseys so they wouldn't have to share between different sports. This would last longer per jersey Can group the sports by similar jersey Sports don't overlap when grouped Sizing – suppliers would provide a variety of sizes Total cost – approx. \$3500.00 to achieve the ultimate Big Goal There is cost to run the programs but no cost to the students to participate to the middle years. Hot Dog Party April 30th for the house party for I Love to Read month Time is noon Track Days 	 Theresa G. and Brent B.L., to volunteer to assist with hot dog lunch Mike L. to follow up with Christine regarding BBQ borrowing and Will need Hallal and vegetarian hot dogs.
			- Will need Hallal and
		 Top three of each grade will go to Winkler Kids will have to wear athletic wear with Dino shirt 	
5.	Treasurer's report	Overview • March Starting Balance: \$1769.0 • March End of Month Balance: \$1849.8 • April Current Balance: \$2473.87 Total Revenue: \$2860.15 Total Expenses: \$2779.27 Samosa Fundraiser (Completed)	
		Revenue: \$3552	L

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		Expense: \$1833.22 Profit: \$1718.78	
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		Pizza Lunch (Completed)	
		Revenue: \$2358	
		Expense: \$1658.44 Profit: \$699.56	
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		Jam Can (Completed)	
		Revenue: \$341	
		Expense: \$296.81 Profit: \$44.19	
		Notes: The leftover samosas are being used for	
		another samosa fundraiser.	
		April Revenue to date	
		- \$341.00 from Jam Can	
6.	Unfinished Business	Co-op Gift Cards for Jerseys	
		- We get 10% back for every 100	
		- For every \$300.00 spent will supply us	
		with 1 jersey.	
		Ideas – idea having parents "sponsor" a jersey	
		where they can purchase a jersey for the school	
		- Deadline is May 2 nd , 2025	
		Bank Account - To be determined if WSD will be donating	- Mike L. to reach out the
		a fund	WSD (Steven) regarding
		- No further information currently provided	potential donation for PAC
			funds
		Playground	
		- Business can sponsor the play structures but there is going to be hoops that need to	
		be jumped around to get their names on the	
		play structures.	
		- Everything would have to be cleared by the	
		division	
		Support Staff Appreciation	
		- Hot Dog lunch for EA's and custodian on	
		April 30 th on the same day	- Jen B.L. to check with staff
		- 19 EA's, custodian staff, and admin staff	about dietary restriction
7	New Business	WhatsApp Group	Nodina I da i du
		PAC created a WhatsApp groupParents at the PAC that would like to be in	- Nadine L. to input all members that sign up to be
		the group chat can add their phone number	on WhatsApp
		and will be added	
		Summer Months	
		- Will be breaking Grant Submission for Playground	
		- Need to find time to plan time to find	
		bigger donations	
		- Summer time would be a great time to	
		meet	
		- Separate committee needed to get this	
		going.	

		 Play structure companies need to know as soon as possible once funds are received. 	
7.	Adjournment	Mike Lawson adjourned meeting at [8:21pm]	
Next 1	Next Meeting: Thursday, May 15th, 2025 at 7:00pm in person at Ecole Discovery Trails		