

EMMS PAC Meeting Minutes
May 12, 2025

Call to order at 7:05pm - Jeri Martens

- Attendance: in person and online

1. Welcome
 - a. Reading of March minutes.
 - b. No additions

2. Treasurers report.

We had a balance of \$1060.68 at the April meeting.

Morden Nurseries fundraiser brought in \$12,375 plus \$105 in donations just strictly for the play structure. 20% = \$2475 from fundraiser plus the \$105 = \$2580 that we were able to give the school for the play structure. We gave out 5 prizes for the top sellers, 1 from each grade (grade 5 had a tie) - they each got 3 cafeteria meal vouchers. At \$21/prize that was \$105.00 from our account.

Hot lunch - our numbers did not quite match up from what the cafeteria said we ordered, so we had a deficit of \$11 from the last hot lunch.

This leaves our balance at \$944.68.

3. Administration Report:
 - a. Many events upcoming
 - i. May 14 & 15 - Grade 7/8 Musical (Finding Nemo) 7:00 PM @ Access Event Centre (admission \$10)
 - ii. Week of May 19 - Track & Field (rain dates the week following)
 - iii. May 27 - Arts Appreciation Choir Performance & art displays
 - iv. May 28 - Arts Appreciation Band Performance & art displays
 - v. May 30 - Grade 7/8 Dance (7:00 pm in EMMS gym)
 - b. Field trips:
 - i. Grade 6 – Aviation museum & MB Legislature. The students held a petition of staff to allow cell phones along on the bus. Majority decided no phones and it went well, students were happy they were heard even if it was decided against, and the trip was still great.
 - ii. Grade 7 – going to Winkler Bible Camp June 6th/18th (tba)
 - iii. Grade 8 – had their ski trip
 - iv. Grade 5 – Fort Whyte June 16th
 - c. Grade 5 & 6 boys asked to play soccer with the 7&8's
 - d. PD day staff activity took teachers to Swan Lake, with the focus on the Youth Environmental Stewardship Program, led by David Scott with Finn Rachul also as

an instructor. It is a program to learn about incorporating indigenous knowledge together with Western science. Teachers got lessons on how to get the kids out on the land and learning in new ways. It was a really good day. The grade 5 teachers are looking to have them out & do some land based learning. Website: www.prairieojibweenvironmental.ca/yesp-program

- e. Mrs. Charmayne Brook received a grant for a gardening club. Will be used for rain barrels and garden boxes, grow lights to start seeds.
- f. The Mental Health expo was Thursday. led by Mr. Ryan Schroeder (Guidance), Mrs. Tara Routhier (Guidance) & Ms. Emma went well. Was focused on solution based ways to focus on boosting healthy habits and relationships
 - i. Big Daddy Tazz spoke to students (on the Tuesday before the expo)
- g. Calendar for next school year has been finalized and is up online. No more early closing days
- h. Next week Malachi Klassen will be here with his race car to talk to students.
- i. Final dance of the year is coming up, some extra activities and games will also be there, hopefully to increase attendance.
- j. June 26 at 10am is Grade 8 graduation.
- k. June 27 is 10am dismissal for the last day.

4. New business

- a. Fundraising.
 - i. Some money arrived with forms missing but hopefully it has been sorted out completely.
 - ii. Made approximately \$2500 (see treasurer's report)
 - iii. Top selling students got their prizes. 2 gr.5's (tied), 1 each gr 6-8.
 - iv. Still need about \$2500 to cover the playstructure. May not be getting installed yet this summer, so may need to be next spring (2026) after fall fundraising. Costs may go up if we need to wait too long.
 - v. Booking for fall Peak of the Market fundraiser soon. Sign up is in June.
 - vi. Our school was the 2nd highest in the province for Terry Fox fundraising of K-8 schools! Just over \$9000 raised!
- b. Hot Lunch:
 - i. June 2 will be chicken fingers & fries. Just the meal, no separate sides (can order 2 meals, but not just fries for example)
 - ii. Forms to go out next week or the week after, to collect about 4 days later.
 - iii. We need to get numbers in to cafeteria before the 27th.
 - iv. Cookie day discussion. Maybe during high school exam week (June 16th). 2 cookie limit most likely. Pick up at lunch. Sending order forms after hot lunch day. Planning for June 17th with 18th as backup.
- c. Staff appreciation went well 😊 Thanks for providing snacks & coffee

- d. Grade 8 graduation/PAC involvement discussion. Will get back to us about needs.
- 5. Next meeting June 16 2025 7:00 pm.
- 6. Meeting adjourned at 7:48pm.