

OLMP Parent Council Meeting Minutes
May 18, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

1. A presentation was made by Staples regarding the One to One Initiative for EICS for the 2016/17 school year. They discussed the pricing and options regarding students obtaining Chromebooks as an option. Further information will be available on the OLMP website at olmp.eics.ab.ca.

The meeting was called to order at 7:21 p.m. with Kelly Frigon chairing the meeting.

2. Attendance: Kelly Frigon, Melanie Marohn, Joe Kucy, Dan Wispinski, Michele Miles, Lorne Miles, Taralynn Semmens, Janet Hatch, Carol Burr, Paula Thomas Brown, Julia Hrycaj and Helen Rodin.
3. Opening prayer by Joe Kucy.
4. Approval of the March Minutes/May Agenda: a motion was made by Dan to approve the Minutes and Melanie seconded the motion. A motion was made by Melanie to approve the May agenda and it was seconded by Dan. The motion was carried.
5. Treasurer's Report – Melanie was provided information from Erin and advised we have a bank balance of \$9,314.47 (before the April bank statement or April hot lunch).
6. Correspondence – there was some fundraising correspondence. It will be reviewed and possibly discussed at a later meeting.
7. Agenda Items:
 - 7.1 Hot Lunch: Hot lunch will most likely be done on Wednesdays next year instead of Thursday as the students have significantly more Thursdays off next year. The hot lunch committee met and reviewed the restaurants we are currently using. It was decided to drop Tim Horton's, Extreme Pita and A & W for next year as they are not that popular with the kids. The restaurants that we will be using will be Pizza 73, Booster Juice, Edo, Dairy Queen and possibly East Side Mario's, depending on the pricing we are given. There have been some concerns about the temperature and consistency of East Side Mario's in the past so Melanie is going to discuss this with them and get pricing for next year and the hot lunch committee will decide if they are going to keep using them. As well, Kelly, Melanie and Dan had a meeting in May to discuss the inclusion of EnviroVenture in assisting with hot lunch. The idea is that we would start offering a hot dog/hamburger day and EnviroVenture or any other club (sports or otherwise) that is interested in helping out, would receive 50% of the profits from the day that they help with. The idea is to raise our hot lunch profits for the 2016/17 school year. It has also been discussed to add some home baking and/or Booster Juice/Dairy Queen for "Tasty Treat Thursday" possibly in conjunction with the early dismissal days which will start next year. Tasty Treat is something that has been done at St. Pat's and has been very popular. It was also discussed whether we have enough freezer storage at the school to do Tasty Treat with Dairy Queen as this is something that would be purchased ahead of time and stored at the school. Joe and Dan thought that we did have

enough space and Joe even suggested perhaps purchasing a small freezer. That will be discussed again at a later date.

8. New Business:

8.1 Parent Donation Letter: Kelly contacted Joe in April and he indicated he would rather not send out a reminder regarding the donations at this time.

8.2 International Travel: Julia Hrycaj and Helen Rodin did a short presentation on the plans for International Travel in 2016/17 which is being planned through EF Tours and will visit Paris, France, Italy and Vatican City during Spring Break next year. EICS no longer wants to be involved with the planning of the IT trips. It has been suggested that it be done by Teachers/Parents/Parent Council. We need to determine if the OLMP Parent Advisory Committee is a registered Society and Kelly will look into that. If we are, then Parent Council could assist in the planning/execution of the trip. Melanie and Kelly had concerns about why EICS no longer wants to be involved and wondered if Parent Council would be taking on any liability in assisting with IT. Parent Council would be more than willing to help, if we are able, but we would like to get some information on the risks etc. It was discussed that there would be some fundraising done to assist students with the cost. So far 26 students have registered for the trip and there are 40 spaces available. If enough students were interested, it might be possible to get a second bus and increase the number. The trip would most likely not be open to parents attending, unless they are also teachers. It is a student and teacher chaperoned trip. There will be an educational element to the trip and credits will be offered. Each student would be responsible for their own insurance. That could be their own insurance or a package which is offered through EF Tours.

9. Teacher's report. High School track represented our school very well at the Senior Track Meet.

Field Trips: The EnviroVenture club is going to Jasper. The Grade 7s went to the University of Alberta for a science fair. The COS class went to Marvel College. Some Physics students are going to Galaxyland.

Teachers are using the computerized Field Tests to prepare grade 9 and 12 students for PAT/Diploma exams. Grad is next week and the teachers and students are very excited for that.

10. Principal's report: Joe advised that Grad is next week: Tuesday, May 24 is the first-ever cap and gown ceremony for OLMP which will be held at the Arts Centre; Grad Mass will be held on Thursday, May 26 and on Friday, May 27, the dinner, dance and grand march will be held at the CRE.

Class photos will be on May 31 and the Junior High Division Track meet is on May 31. June 10 is the movie fundraiser for St. Francis Xavier Church.

Colors Night is tentatively scheduled for June 16. This is the sports awards. It may need to be moved due to a conflict with the English Diploma exam.

We have three teachers leaving our school: Mrs. Millious, Ms. LaFleur and Mrs. Fraser are leaving or have left. Joe is hiring for their positions and interviews are going well.

OLMP will have a 6-man football team next year and information will be available on our website.

Construction is done at the school with the exception of some deficiencies which are being attended to. There will also be an expansion of the south parking lot. There is also discussion about building a garage on the grounds for the bus and other storage. OLMP and St. Pat's will be having early dismissal one day per month next year. The dismissal times are not yet known.

11. Meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

12. Next meeting is scheduled for September 20, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.