

Edmonton Classical Academy Eastgate School Council

Agenda - Minutes

Date: Wednesday May 20/2026

Role	Name	Attendance
Chair	Kelsa Unruh	Present
Vice Chair	Michelle Lindberg	Present
Secretary	Sally Berg	Present
Principal	Mr. Robert Piotrkowski	Present
Faculty Representative	Mr. and Mrs. McPeck	Present
Communications	Anya Yahnishchak	Present

Committee Chairs

Festivals	Maria Laura Giordani, Anya Yahnishchak	Anya - present
Playground	Vacant	
Playpod Committee	Kelsa Unruh	present
Library Committee	Rhamona Barber	present
Events Committee	Meagan Jakubec	present
Teacher and School Support	Faith Bodnarek/Colyssa Stoik	Faith - present
School Concerts Committee	Oksana Shyshyna	Present
Movie/Games Night Committee	Vacant	
Grant Writing Committee	Jeff Jakubec	Regrets

General Attendance

Michael E. Rachel T. Laura M. Shayne S.
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Outstanding Action Items from Prior Meeting

Responsible (Who)	Action Item (What)/ Target Date	Status
Mrs. Wiebe	Discuss Grade 4 promotion ceremony with G4 homeroom teachers and request that they please reach out to parents	Complete
Kelsa	Telegram post to recruit G4 and G9 parents to help plan the promotion ceremonies	Complete
Mr. Piotrkowski	Reach out to Sally re G9 promotion ceremony to f/u	Complete

Current Meeting Agenda, Minutes/Notes and Action Items

Today's Agenda	Minutes (Notes)	Action Items
Introduction (Chair) a. Welcome b. Approval of agenda (call for additions) c. Acceptance of previous minutes:	a. meeting call to order at __6:09PM__ b. Approval of agenda i. moved by: Rachel T ii. seconded by: Anya Y c. Approval of previous minutes i. moved by: Anya Y ii. seconded by: Faith B d. Review action items from previous meeting	
Chair's Report	- ASCA learning opportunities attended; positive to see increased parent involvement and engagement with council - Council storage room reorganized and play pod stocked with new student equipment - Successful in-house concert, Grade 9 bake sale, and upcoming Festival of Athena, Pony Day, BBQ, and Artist in Residency highlighted - Discussion around lower participation and volunteer burnout this year, with future reflection on prioritizing initiatives and volunteer efforts	
Principal's Corner	- Mr. Piotrkowski confirmed that he will be continuing in his role as Head Principal for the 2026-2027 school year. - Lots of interest in the school from prospective families; currently oversubscribed for enrollment, anticipating some attrition. Discussion re class sizes. - Being mindful of ensuring that prospective students are families are aligned with the Charter's mandate - School event highlights: - Spelling bee - Coding club - Rivalry of the Rhapsodes - Spring Concert with MCs - Spring festival upcoming - Thank you from staff re the	

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	- teacher's appreciation gifts - 1st PATs tomorrow - Thank you to School Council for partnering with the school to purchase exam bank logins. - Track n Field day tomorrow - G4 and G9 promotion ceremonies with parents organizing events - G9 camping trip next week - Volunteer appreciation tea	
Playground Committee Report	Vacant	
Library Committee Report	- Nothing to report	
Events Committee	- Nothing major to report on - Looking ahead, picking a date for Potluck and Mother/Son Kickball in the fall	Kelsa - determine event dates and request that they go in the calendar
Teacher and School Support Committee Report	- Send out list of teacher preferences in anticipation of end of the year.	Anya to send out on Telegram
Grant Writing Committee Report	- Actively pursuing two grants (tech, greening/outdoor classroom), and discussing a third - depends on playground. - Tech deadline end of May, outdoor classroom (TD Bank) July. - Working alongside ACA Grant Writer Natalie Valle. - <u>Need</u> staff support for program details (answer provided questions) - hate to miss opportunities. - Will speak with Natalie - perhaps shift to a higher priority role?	
Communications Committee Report	Spreadsheet for May/June updates to be sent out tonight - please input your updates. Please send all new events to communications at same time as Telegram so we can update the website on time	Kelsa, Anya, Meagan, Sally and Laura to meet and discuss "Save the Date" and volunteer sign ups for the whole year ahead.

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	General discussion about volunteer recruitment, how to recruit volunteers, what the barriers are to parents getting involved. Older grades - fieldtrips, big events (like the Sports Day); volunteer sign ups for a specific committee/event at the beginning of the year (Fall Potluck could be the anchor event for this sign up)	
Gala Committee Report	We are in the final decision stage to confirm dates, times, menu, and location. We will need to recruit more volunteers to help with this initiative.	Save the Date poster
Festivals Committee Report	Spring Festival is this Saturday, May 23 from 12 to 3 PM. We are still promoting ticket sales, bake sale donations and volunteer sign ups. Latest number for Spring Festival ticket sales (May 20, 6:20 PM): 116 tickets (mix of games and general admission) Discussion re decreasing festivals to 1 festival per year (plan for winter festival) since fall and spring end up very busy with other events, both with the school and for families in general	
Concert Committee Report	Excellent concert on May 13, 2026 Kudos to Michelle for helping the G9 students organize and execute the bake sale. Discussion re in school vs out of school concerts - Overall, the pros of continuing the performances at the school outweigh the cons - General discussion re logistics, including how to streamline the timing and navigate scheduling	

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	challenges - Ensure that we book the date well in advance to provide as much notice as possible. - General discussion re parent use of devices during the concerts - Idea to have more videography that will be released to parents either free of charge or linked to a fundraiser	
Faculty Corner	Thanks for teacher appreciation and for volunteer participation Thank you re playpod. Some concern about students not cleaning up - teachers are enforcing expectations.	
New Business	No new business to discuss	
Next Meeting Date	Thursday June 18/2026	
Meeting Adjournment	Meeting Adjourned at _7:29pm__	