

Hay Lakes ECS Meeting

January 23, 2019

1. Call to order

Call to order by Amy Evenson at 7:11 pm

2. Attendance

Martha Wrubleski (Teacher), Miranda Odland (Coordinator & Vice President), Elise Schultz (Treasurer), Amy Evenson (Secretary), Jaimie Zietarsky, Roberta Steedsman, Bethan Walter, Dena Weiss, Andrea Nickel

3. Adopt Agenda

Bethan Walter made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Seconded by Elise Schultz. All in favour. Motion carried.

4. Minutes of November 28, 2018

Roberta Steedsman made a motion to accept the minutes from the November 28, 2018 meeting as presented. Seconded by Miranda Odland. All in favour. Motion carried.

5. Treasure's Report

Financial report

Chequing account has a balance of \$23,386.48

Savings account has a balance of \$33,265.19

Grant Thornton neglected to follow specified requirements while filing our year end reports, thus leaving our funding on hold. Elise and Miranda are in contact with the government representative and the accountant to rectify this. Grant Thornton also neglected to send out bound copies for last year's financial reports, making it impossible to file our annual society report on time. Elise would like these matters noted, as they are careless. It may be time to seek a new accounting firm.

One family has outstanding fees without payment arrangements made. The board will follow up with a parent.

Roberta Steedsman adopted the treasurer's report as presented. Seconded by Jaimie Zietarsky. All in favour. Motion carried.

6. Co-ordinator's Report

POD

There has been a few occasions this year where we have had parents not show up for their scheduled PODs with little or no notice at all. Please do your best to ensure there is a replacement parent to fill in for you if you cannot make it on your scheduled day. It is not the teacher's job to find a replacement, it is the parents. You are welcome to trade days with other parents by contacting them. It affects the children and teacher when no one shows up. Parents are essential to the program and we'd appreciate notice if you cannot make it and have no one to replace you. We understand there are special circumstances and emergencies where you may not be able to attend on your day, but please let us

know so we can take the steps required to find someone to fill in. Once your deposit is exhausted, it needs to be replenished before your child may attend field trips again.

Upcoming Fundraisers

Meat and Vesey's bulbs order forms will go out after spring break, in April with delivery scheduled in May.

Mother's Day Tea is scheduled for May 10, 2019

7. LAC Report

Valentine's Day party food volunteer needed. Roberta has volunteered to bring fruit.

8. Teacher's Report

-The ECS will be going on a field trip to the Telus World of Science, January 30, 2019. Thank you to the volunteers who have signed up and make these outings a success.

-Valentine's Day parties are scheduled for February 13 & 14. The children will exchange valentine's cards and treats. A list of names will be sent home for the kids to practice writing their friends names if they wish.

iPad Quotes

Martha presented the parents and board with prices for 2 new iPads with cases for the classroom. There was discussion of also getting screen protectors, iTunes cards for apps and Apple Care.

Jaimie Zietarsky made a motion to allow Martha to purchase two 128GB iPads, cases, screen protectors, Apple Care and \$200 in iTunes cards for the classroom. Elise Schultz seconded. All in favour. Motion carried.

9. Old Business

The Christmas tree donations were very successful. The school was able to feed 7 families and it was well received among the recipients. Thank you for your generosity.

The plant fundraiser may have suffered from our prices being higher than competitors. In the future we will research what other schools and organizations are selling them for and adjust prices.

10. New Business

Rogers and Bell customers will no longer receive text messages from "Remind" after January 28, 2019. You will need to rely on notifications from the app if you are a customer of either of those companies.

12. Date of next meeting – Wednesday, March 13, 2019 at 7:00pm

13. Adjournment – 8:50pm