

EJR PAC April 28, 2026 Meeting Minutes

Present at meeting: Katie Sereda, Kendra Floyde, Jeannette Beaudry, Lyette Carriere, Amber Bauer, Jenn Kosie, Jamie Robinson, Ron Horch, Karlene Fontaine

Regrets: Christine Heynen, Alinea Piche, Carol Bonin, Sarah Tone, Ainsley Hénault, Britta Krahn

1. Welcome and Land acknowledgements

-Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Katie

-We acknowledge the land on which we gather is Treaty One Territory and the traditional territory of the Anishinaabe (Ojibwe), Ininewak (Cree), and Dakota peoples, and homeland of the Metis Nation. With this acknowledgement, we demonstrate respect for Indigenous peoples and communities and we celebrate a renewed relationship with one another moving forward.

2. Minutes of March 2026 meeting to be approved

- approved by Amber; second by Katie

3. Reports:

A. Administration: Lyette Carriere - 15min

1. Class photos - scheduled for May 6
2. Upcoming School Events and Field Trips-general discussion on upcoming activities
3. Class Configurations for Next Year K-2, G1-2, G2-2, G3-2, G3/4-1, G4/5-4 Grade 4 MI-12 students, Grade 5 MI - 16 students
4. Staffing Update
 - a) New halftime Grade 5 teacher hired for September
 - b) New gym teacher was hired to replace Mme Rebecca from September-March. From U of M
 - c) Grade $\frac{2}{3}$ teacher will not be returning; currently on mat leave
 - d) Grade 1 teacher's return is still uncertain
5. Time Capsule Event - Scheduled for May 13. Invites sent to original staff. Students to watch via teams. A new capsule will be created.
6. Balanced School Day -reported as going well Fewer recess incidents, less time loss getting dressed, improved supervision.
7. Kindergarten students will now be allowed to play on the field, not only beside the school
8. Universal Nutrition Program - Trialing various food items. Students are not enjoying hummus and similar options. The program will focus on cheese fruits, chickpeas, crackers, granola bars, yogurt and muffins. High student participation noted.
9. Milk Program - Milk will no longer be offered, Reasons: high cost significant waste, and younger students not finishing milk which affects their meals. Families will be notified so remaining tickets can be used.
10. Bullying Communication - an email will be sent to families tomorrow. Additional classroom conversations and announcements will follow due to an increase in incidents.

11. Soccer Ball Availability - A member noted limited soccer balls and issues with boys not allowing girls to use them. PAC recently distributed \$1,000 worth of balls. Students are encouraged to report issues to staff. Lyette will add an extra ball to the bin.

B. President: Katie Sereda

1. Dates for Upcoming school year

Meeting Dates

- PAC meetings typically fall on early dismissal days.
- December meeting suggested for **December 15**.
- June meeting may be moved earlier, shortly after the BBQ.

Fall Dance

- Date set for **October 22**.

Holiday Shop

- Planning to proceed, tentatively around **December 10**.

Fall Soup Fundraiser

- Will run for **4 weeks** in October.

Spent Fundraiser

- Will run again during Louis Riel Week.
- Pickup: **February 11**
- Sales: **January 18–29**

Spring Fundraiser

- Nothing planned yet.

Staff Appreciation

- Scheduled for **March 22–25**.

Year-End BBQ

- Planned for **June 3 2027**, assuming PD Day is that Friday.
- If not, alternate date is **June 10**.

2. Scholarship for CJS

- Request received for a \$500 scholarship.
- PAC agreed to continue supporting it and will confirm by email.

C. Treasurer: Kendra Floyde - 10 minutes

1. Income and Expenses

- a) Income-March Bake Sale/Best Seats profit \$516.91.
- b) Expenses -March Staff appreciation \$800.61, Recess Equipment purchased \$865.40, Deposit of \$705.32 was for bouncers for BBQ, Deposit of \$3762.73 to Playgrounds R US, final payment will be processed after installation. Installation planned for **Friday, May 8 at 9 a.m.** (half-day).

2. Current Balance \$21,333.85

(Total fundraised amount to date \$8106.98)

D. Fundraising: Amber Bauer - 10 minutes

"Make It So" Fundraiser

- Many families used online ordering, which simplified accounting.
- Online seed sales: **\$642** (45% profit).
- Spice sales: **\$556** (40% profit).
- Paper order forms:
 - o Seeds: \$266 (approx. \$133 profit)
 - o Spices: \$90 (approx. \$40 profit)
- Total estimated profit: **\$684**.

Mitchell's Soup Fundraiser

- Website can track sales by grade level (no student names).
- Discussion on whether to run it as a contest.
- Concern raised about contests relying heavily on parents rather than students.
- Considered grade-level competition or whole-school goal.
- Decision: **Run it as a school-wide goal** with a shared incentive.
- Possible rewards discussed: longer recess, hot chocolate, freezes, Friday movie.

E. Social Committee: Amber Bauer(Temp) - 10 minutes

1. Staff Appreciation Week - Staff appreciation event went well; staff were pleased with the office-supply gifts. Thanks extended to Jenn for her help.

2. BBQ Update - 30th Anniversary EJR

Food Trucks

- Many trucks confirmed.
- BDI truck uncertain due to operational requirements between events.
- BDI donated **five \$25 gift cards** for raffle prizes.
- Jeanette is creating surfboard-themed fundraising art featuring donor names.
- **20 baskets** prepared for raffles.
- No pre-orders; a menu and price list will be sent to families in advance.

Entertainment

- Giant soccer inflatable
- Bouncer with slide for younger children
- Obstacle course
- Large double slide
- Button-making
- Hula hoops
- Magician (Jentastic) doing walk-around magic
- Tables and canopies from the City
- Megaphone available if needed
- Permit and raffle permit completed

- Event can move indoors if weather requires
- Invitations will be sent to trustees and MLAs
- Fire truck confirmed (pending emergency calls)
- Food trucks will be placed on the basketball court
- Families of incoming kindergarten students will be invited

F. Fun Lunch Committee: Marlee Sabourin, Christine Heynen - 2 minutes

No Updates

G. Open Idea Sharing - 10 minutes

1. Kendra asked about options for selling or donating a **17-foot canoe** (approx. \$1,000 in repairs).
 - a) Idea: donate to a school shop class for repair.
 - b) Canoe was originally donated for a butterfly garden; hope is to donate it within the division for educational use.
2. Swale area: maintenance is difficult due to water and weather; a garden would be easier to maintain.
3. Remote/hybrid PAC meetings:
 - a) Tried during COVID but had low participation.
 - b) Discussed offering remote access again with someone monitoring the chat.
 - c) Participants would need to understand voting expectations.
4. BBQ attendance estimate: **600 people**. - Lyette has cake for 600.
5. Raffle: will collect **name and phone number only**.

4. Questions:

Next Meeting: May 26th, 2026

Adjournment

ÉJR Parent Association 2025-2026 Draft Budget and Standing Commitments			
Item or Activity	Budget	Amount Spent	Cheque Issued
Classroom Experiences	\$2,000.00	\$1,302.00	February 23 rd , 2026
Festival du Voyageur	\$1,000.00	\$1,372.00	February 23 rd , 2026
Staff Appreciation Spring	\$800.00	\$800.61	March 24 th – 26 th , 2026
Family Picnic	\$3,000.00	\$705.34	April 14 th , 2026
CJS Scholarship	\$500.00		
Grade 5/6 Student Farewell	\$700.00		
Recess Equipment	\$1,000.00	\$865.40	April 8 th , 2026
Total Expenses for Fiscal Year Sept 1 st 2025-August 31 st 2026	\$9000.00	\$5045.35	As of April 28 th , 2026

ÉJR Parent Association Income 2025-2026 Actual Amount Raised			
Source	Estimated Amount to be Fundraised	Amount Fundraised	Date Fundraised
Healthy Hunger	\$4000.00	\$3862.46	September 2025 – February 2026
Not a Fundraiser	\$0	\$23.88	December 2025
Spent Pizza	\$2500.00	\$1,567.98	February 2026
Coffee Fundraiser	\$800.00	\$812.00	November 2025
Conference Bake Sale		\$344.10	November 2025
Winter Dance	\$500.00	\$877.02	December 2025
Mabel's Labels		\$55.97	January 2026
Bank Interest		\$13.12	September 2025 – January 2026
Square Donation		\$4.89	December 2025
Conference Bake Sale/Raffle		\$516.91	March 27 th , 2026
Charity Donation – Through Canada Helps		\$28.65	April 24 th , 2026
Total Fundraised		\$8106.98	Total Fundraised for Fiscal Year Sept 1 st 2025 – April 28 th , 2026