

Joseph Welsh Elementary School Council Meeting

Minutes – Jan 29, 2025

1. **Call to Order** - 3:20
2. **In attendance and Introductions**: Kevin Robertson, Nicole Hollman, ,Kyla R, Victory S, Steph N, Tricia Teske and Brittani Raincock
3. **Teacher Report**: Grade 1 Tricia Teske and Brittani Raincock let us know that students are studying animals in Winter and hibernation. They are also learning how to type and format projects. March Parent teacher interviews will be Open house/Student driven.
4. **Business Arising from Minutes / New Business**
 - City Wide School Council update from Jan 14 was a Community Agency fair with different Agencies involved throughout our School District
 - Next Meeting March 11 at Westpark Middle School
5. **Reports and Updates**:
 - A. Admin Report - Kevin Robertson/Nicole Hollman
 - Skating is up and going
 - Thursday Feb 6 is Recognition Assembly with Grade 1 hosting
 - Mr Robertson got a taste for music last week when he covered for the music teacher when there was no sub. He had fun.
 - Feedback for Christmas Market was all positive
 - Christmas concert was a success
 - Mr Robertson brought up the possibility of Spring Concert in 2025 instead of a Christmas Concert
 - Talked about our Student ski Club and participating in Loppet. Request was made to the School Council to combine funds with the School and buy equipment for at least one full class. Kyla R motioned to spend \$3500 on ski equipment, Steph N seconded. All in favour.
 - WIN "What I need" is still ongoing. Ability based and proving very engaging for our students.
 - Staff PD day saw the staff partake in building a teepee in the Library. The teepee has been a good center for student learning.
 - Anything but a backpack on the 28th, really great ideas. Popcorn maker, suitcase, kennel. Really fun.
 - B. Financial report - Christmas Market \$1614.50, Purdy's Chocolate \$1232.96 and Balance \$8249.14
 - C. Fundraising Update: Purdy's and Christmas Market very successful. Robyn L to look into Mavericks donuts for February.
6. **Upcoming Events**:
 - Nov 29 - Grade 4&5 Choir performance at Festival of Trees, \$1 Popcorn day
 - Dec 12 - Parent/Teacher conferences, No School

Dec 13 - Staff Learning Day, No School
Dec 16 - Christmas Market set-up
Dec 17 - Christmas Market
Dec 18 - Winter Concert
Dec 20 - 1 hour early dismissal at 2pm for Christmas break
Jan 6 - Back to School
Jan 14 - Citywide meeting
Jan 17 - Staff Learning day, No school

10. **Next Meeting:** March 26 at 6:30pm

Meeting adjourned at 3:46pm