

**ELIJAH SMITH SCHOOL COUNCIL
Minutes of Regular Meeting
December 5, 2017
School Library**

Present: **Council Members:** **Administration:**
 Jeff Hunston: Chair Jim Complak: Principal
 Sue Stokes-Nash Jim Snider: Vice Principal
 Sean Smith
 Jerry Zahora: Secretary Treasurer

Regrets: Linda Moen: Council Member
 Rachel Sutherland: Council Member

Guests: Souhail Soujah: A/Superintendent of Schools

- 1. Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 6:45PM
- 2. Adoption of Agenda:** Deferred
- 3. Adoption of Minutes:** Minutes of Regular Meeting, November 7, 2017: Deferred
- 4. Parent Issues:** No report
- 5. School Administration Report:**
 - Enrolment: 259
 - Health and safety meetings held
 - Hiring in process for Gr. 1 and Gr. 7 (mat leave)
 - Ductwork in main office to be started first week of December
 - Bison Hunt dates have been changed from Jan 29 – Feb 2, until March 5 – 9, 2018.
A journalist may attend hunt as well and do a story.
Bison course is offered – December 14, 2017

E-MOTION: **Moved by Linda, second by Sean, THAT the Elijah Smith School Council Makes a MOTION to approve the change in dates to March 5 – 9, 2018.**

CARRIED

- A possible field trip to Ottawa for Gr. 7 students to visit a school there. To be discussed further once more details are available. ES would host

Students from Ottawa, while here, and the Ottawa students would host ES students when they are there.

6. CELC:

- Culture week: Theme is food and food security
How foods are gathered, stored.

7. Reports:

- 7.1 Transportation Advisory (Busing): No report
- 7.2 School Diversity: No report
- 7.3 School Growth Plan: No report

8. AYSCBC:

- 9. Treasurer's Report:** Balance in account at end of November \$7,872.95.

E-MOTION: Moved by Sue, second by Sean, THAT the Elijah Smith School Council makes a MOTION to approve a donation of \$100.00 to the X-hamper initiative at the school. CARRIED

10. Old Business and Correspondence:

11. New Business and Correspondence:

11.1 Cold Weather Policy:

There were roundtable discussions on when students should or should not go outside during cold days. There is an open policy at this time, and students will go outside weather permitting, and if they are dressed appropriately. Outside time may be shortened dependent on the weather, including the wind chill factor.

11.2 School Council Elections, 2018:

A letter Elections Yukon has been received, advising that school council elections will take place on Monday, May 7, 2018. Nomination papers will be available at school offices or at elections office, on Monday, April 9, 2018 for anyone interested in running for school councils. Nomination papers must be filed with Returning Officers, as per Ed Act. Contact info for Returning Officers will be attached to the nomination papers.

12. Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM

Next regular Meeting, January 9, 2018.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

Jeff Hunston:
Chair

Jerry Zahora:
Secretary Treasurer