

**MINUTES OF THE EARL GREY SCHOOL COUNCIL/PARENT SOCIETY MEETING
MONDAY, May 11th, 2026, AT 6:30 P.M. (MOUNTAIN TIME)
HELD AT 845 HILLCREST AVE SW**

Member Attendees: Kaylen Christiansen, Sandi Metz

Director Attendees:

- Chair: Lynn Krasey
- Secretary: Kelsey Gallagher
- Treasurer: Ken Little
- Volunteer Coordinator: Audra Zannis
- Fundraising Coordinator: Laura Hubbard
- Playground Coordinator: Katie Plintz
- Director of Communications: Rihanna Vanin
- Vice Chair: Lindsey Huston
- Fun Lunch Coordinator: Kale Badura

Virtual Attendees:

- Teresa Loch
- Shevaughn Smith
- Amy Barrington
- Sarah Heagy

In person Guest Attendees:

Apologies:

- Casino Coordinator: Britt Obuck
- Playground Coordinator: Katie Plintz

EARL GREY SCHOOL PARENT COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

1. Call to order: 6:35pm by Lindsey Huston
2. Acknowledgement of the Land: Kaylen Christiansen
3. Review & Approve April Meeting Minutes:
 - Approved April 2026 meeting minutes.
4. Principal Update: Kaylen Christiansen
 - Busy month at Earl Grey:
 - Science Fair:
 - Went very well overall.

- For next year the school will consider possibly joining the Calgary Science Fair. For this event the top Science Fair projects from Earl Grey get to participate in this citywide Science Fair. Outcome: The school will determine whether it will participate next year.
 - Question from a parent council member: Would our council ever provide funding for the projects going to the Calgary Science Fair to ensure students have access to materials needed for their projects & to allow students to make their projects even better for the city event? Outcome: No decision made. Council will take into consideration.
- Cultural Day:
 - This event went amazingly well. The school is very proud of this student-led initiative.
- Spring Concert:
 - Was a huge success.
 - Next year Division 1 will perform at the winter concert and Division 2 will perform at the spring concert.
 - Next year the school wants to add more rows to the front.
 - Parent feedback: Some parents found it hard to take pictures. Would the council ever fund having someone officially film it? Outcome: Privacy would be something that we would need to investigate further. Alternatively, maybe we could: a) give one minute at the end of the performance for families to take a photo b) have the teachers take photos of their classroom and upload this to google classroom.
- Earl Grey has met the criteria to get a Complexity Team for the 2026/27 school year:
 - This means that the school will get 2 EA's that will be paid for by the Alberta government. The EA's salary will not come out of the school's budget.
- Upcoming events:
 - The school will soon send out how many volunteers they need to help with Sports Day on June 19th.
 - Audra is the point person for Sports Day.
- Mrs. Christiansen passed her evaluation meaning that she will be our principal next year. Congratulations!

5. Garbage cleanup was done informally by a few parents & the grade 3 classes also led a cleanup: Kaylen Christiansen

- Some parents and the grade 3 classes are doing clean ups in our neighbourhood.
- Dog poop clean-up will happen tomorrow (May 12th).
- Ongoing issue raised: Overall, it has been noted that there is lots of litter that is left at the Earl Grey playground and in the surrounding park. As a community is there a

way that we can encourage our community members to clean up after themselves?

Proposed intervention: We could send a message to some of the sports teams about cleaning up after their games. Outcome: a) Lindsay and Rihanna will e-mail the sports teams about keeping our school playground and surrounding area clean. b) Signs will potentially be made and put up outside of the school that will ask people to keep the space clean.

6. Graduation Party/Yearbook support needed?

- Outcome: Council is giving \$1,000 budget for this

7. Dad's Breakfast:

- When: June 19th, 2026
- What: This breakfast is put on at the start of school to kick off Sports Day. It is 100% run by Dad volunteers and is coordinated by Nial.
- How do I sign up? Council will make a Sign-Up genius. Mrs. Christiansen will advertise in the weekly newsletter. Names of volunteers will be sent to Nial.

8. For AGM:

- Reminder that our AGM consists of 2 separate meetings that are occurring consecutively:
 - Parent Council Meeting: is for matters advising principal & school
 - Parent Society Meeting: is for fundraising

9. AGM Council: Questions or Comments:

- None

10. Elect Council Board for 2026/27:

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11. Motion to Close 7:10pm Lynn Krasey

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12. Call to Order: 7:10pm Lynn Krasey

13. Review Action Items: Kaylen Christiansen, Sandi Metz

- Stools ~20 for outdoor learning. They are stored in the shed,
- Pads ~17 for outdoor learning. They are stored in the basement storage room.

14. Review of Finances: Ken Beatty

- Planned funds available \$73,000. Funds that have already been spent this year \$54,000.
- Parent Society budgeted to raise \$5,000, not including funds raised through the Casino. We have raised about ½ of this.
- Both accounts have ~\$50,000.
- We need to run the Casino this year to ensure that things continue to run smoothly.

15. Casino update: Lynn Krasey

- We still need 10 volunteers, mostly for the middle of night shifts.
- 1 shift is like raising \$2,000 for the school.
- Discussing filling shifts “in camera”. Emergency check-in via phone May 27th if needed.

16. Rough wish list for next year:

- Residency x2-3 (soccer, dance, football)
- New ladder for the stage
- Landscaping:
 - Discussion: Applying for a grant for gardening.
 - Outcome: Sarah Heagy will investigate grants and application process. Sarah will work with Rihanna and Shevaugn on this.
- Increase items in sensory room:
 - Discussion: Several years ago, Education Matters spent \$5,000 on funding our sensory room. Since that time most of the pieces that were purchased have now moved from the sensory room into the classrooms. Given this, Mrs. Christiansen feels there is a need for additional funding for this.
 - Outcome: Kaylen is happy to present how she would like this room to look and will research with the OTs and PTs on which items would be most beneficial.
- Resurface basketball court
- Repainting the asphalt

17. Staff appreciation:

- Teacher swag is here
- Lynn has the list of what each teacher ordered.

- Mrs. Christiansen will call an impromptu stand-up meeting 2:30pm. Parent Society volunteers will meet at 1:30 on Wednesday to put everything together and to write thank you notes.

18. Choose a date for 2025/2026 board member thank you event:

- Sunday May 31st

19. AGM Parent Society: Questions/Comments:

- None

20. Elect Parent Society Board for 2026/2027

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21. Meeting Adjourned– 7:45pm

Signed By: *LKrasey*
Lynn Krasey - Chair

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Kelsey Gallagher – Secretary