



Elgin Math & Science Academy

Minutes

Environmental Work Group Meeting

Date and Time Friday April 21, 2023 at 7:00 AM

Location Neil/Elementary Cafeteria 1600 Dundee Ave; Elgin, IL 60120

Committee Members Present D. Alexander, K. Kelly, R. Wilson (remote), S. Bennett

Committee Members Absent C. Flaherty, G. Swick

I. Opening Items

- A. Record Attendance
- B. Call the Meeting to Order

K. Kelly called a meeting of the Environmental Work Group--Subcommittee to Master Plan and Facilities Committee of Elgin Math & Science Academy to order on Friday Apr 21, 2023 at 7:05 AM.

C. Approve Minutes

K. Kelly made a motion to approve the minutes from Environmental Work Group Meeting on 03-17-23.

S. Bennett seconded the motion. The committee **VOTED** to approve the motion.

II. Better World Day Project

A. Updates

Paige, Nicole and Brigid are spearheading interactive hopscotch ideas specified to each grade level. Each class has a specific location somewhere on campus. They are working to facilitate moveable frisbee golf for the upper grades. On the frisbees can be a fact about the environment.

III. EMSA Parking Plan

A. Parking Plan at EMSA

Owen's write-up of the event parking process will be incorporated into this group's Parking Plan. We discussed striping and adding signage to the no-parking areas in front of buildings and fire hydrants, etc. The group discussed walnut tree removal (minimum 3 trees to be removed at proposed silo parking area) and potential play space and habitat improvement.

B. Next steps

We set a deadline of our June meeting to draft an EMSA Parking Plan which will include maps and directions.

C. Outdoor lighting considerations

IV. Environmental Work Group Continuing Items

A. Educational Spaces, Playgrounds & Natural Play Areas

Our next meeting will be focused on expanding & improving play spaces on campus.

B. Ecosystem Education

At our next meeting we will also review bird strike prevention measures for the Gym and other buildings.

C. Sound Wall (Illinois Tollway)

The Tollway has offered to pay for a relocation of our current playground by the Art barn.

D. IDOT - Traffic on I-25

E. Ongoing Tree Care & Planned Landscaping

V. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:03 AM.

Respectfully Submitted, K. Kelly

Documents used during the meeting

• Parking Procedures Used For Descendants.docx