

PPS School Council

PARENT SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES – Sept 27, 2021

PRESENT AT MEETING:

Donald Cram, Candace Nunn, Morgan Hann, Sherrie Guthrie, Lauren Baron, Lisa Mackenzie, Justin Serwylo, Jess Plager, Jenn Downey, Carolee Todd, Amanda Smith, Sean Goddard, Jennifer Thompson, Joelle Jibb, Matt Nunn, Jess Plager, Andrea Pincent-Martineau, Loree Anne Blair

REGRETS:

(Past Members: Peggy Gervais, Rachael Briscoe)

Approval of Agenda:

Approved by: Jenn Downey Seconded by: Lauren Baron

Approval of previous meeting minutes:

Approved by: Lauren Baron Seconded by: Jenn Downey

School Council Elections 2021-2022

Chair- Morgan Hann- nominated by Sean Goddard seconded by Lauren Baron. All in favour

Secretary- Candace Nunn- nominated by Lauren Baron seconded by Jenn Downey. All in favour

Treasurer- Sean Goddard- nominated by Morgan Hann seconded by Lauren Baron. All in favour

Voting Members 2021-2022

1- Jennifer Downey 8- Andrea Pincent-Martineau

2- Sean Goddard 9- Jessica Plager

3- Morgan Hann 10- Justin Serwyo

4- Joelle Jibb 11- Amanda Smith

5- Lisa Mackenzie 12- Jennifer Thompson

6- Candace Nunn 13- Lauren Baron

7- Matt Nunn

it will be recorded when Lauren Baron had declared conflict of interest and is not participating in conversations/voting due to being a UCDSB staff member

Non-Voting Members/Staff Reps

- 1- Loree Anne Blair
- 2- Sherrie Guthrie
- 3- Carolee Todd

Guests:

Donald Cram

Principal's Report:

Updates from each class are as follows

- JK/SK Lisa Kenny, Lauressa Bak ECE
 - Settling into class room routines and investigating all things apple. They've done an apple taste test and made apple sauce
- SK/1 Krista Lewis, Katie Southwell
 - Working on literacy specifically vowel sounds, sunflower observations, discussing changes in fall, made homemade apple sauce
 - Parents concerned about the dynamic of the class and a difficult split
 - It comes down to funding and what has been given to the school
 - Grade 1s are given dedicated learning time while the SK class is out for their mandatory outdoor time so they are getting proper curriculum material
- Grade 5/6 Garret Barr
 - o Investigating and learning about places around the world they'd like to visit and are diving deep into Pakistan following a novel they read

Grade 3/4 Amanda Drew

- Working on a collaborative art piece on Terry Fox, made domino race tracks using math skills

Grade 2/3 Liza Hicks

- Learning about plants, they will take apart bulbs and seeds this week and will plant bulbs in the school yead and beans in class, in literacy will read stories about Indigenous people and by Indigenous authors

Grade 4/5 Jaime Hewitt

 Making Cardboard Arcade Games and will have to use procedural writing to demonstrate how those games are played and present them to their peers while problem solving and trouble shooting

French Ashley Foley

- Each student will receive a bi monthly newsletter outlining what students will be working on this month and what's coming up next month
- At the end of the month, everything in the French folders will be sent home so family members can see what's been learnt in class

Grade 1/2 Trisha Colbourne

- Weekly superstar presentations have started. Each student will have a week they are highlighted and will create an all about me poster and have a leter written by parents to them

150 students are enrolled at the school this year including 17 JK and 11 Grade 6 students. 96 families in the school currently. (School capacity is 176) Languages spoken at home include English, French, Arabic and Russian

Renovations (to allow for a Before and After School space) have been ongoing. Time frame for finishing of project is not yet determined as it has been slowed by COVID and materials. Flooring is now down in the space so items can be removed from the gym as soon as tomorrow. Gym will be open later this week at the very latest on Monday. Mrs. Southwell has created a schedule so that each class will have 2-3 times a week in the gym during inclement weather as well as scheduled gym time for physical activity

Sherrie has submitted a request to have 1-2 more support staff, will know by Friday Oct 1 if request has been approved. There is a new teacher that is covering a couple classes for Health. All other staffing needs are being met.

Reorganization of class information hasn't come yet, but there will be a date in October that will have to be done by- both class structure and student arrangement. Sherrie is hoping that if restrictions loosen, siblings can be moved from cohorted classes as needed.

At this time, Linda Lowe Daycare doesn't have a date they plan to move back into the school. When they do move back in, they will be offered the room beside the office to use. We will have to rework janitorial staff to ensure things are properly cleaned after they leave and Pakenham students arrive.

Treasurer's Report

\$753 has been spent by teachers for startup so far

2 Raz-Kids licenses have been purchased at a cost of \$432 USD each

Balance as at Sept 22 approx \$4700 minus Raz-Kids licenses

Business arising out of minutes:

Tech- 3 iPads bought last year have been distributed to primary classes and the school has purchased 6 iPads from school budget. Mr. Barr is in need of 12 laptops. The board plans to do a "computer upgrade program" hopefully before Christmas so maybe we should wait and see if we can get a deal on the 12 laptops. Council is willing to help with cost of new laptops if needed

New Business

Paper copies of the minutes? Some parents have a hard time finding minutes, maybe an email or paper copy could be sent after each meeting. Carolee to look into the best way to do this. Maybe a survey sent like with school newsletter?

Spirt Wear is in the works- once we get the green light, Gilks is ready to fill orders for us. Just waiting on COVID restrictions to lift

Can we use the public library as a resource? It's been done in the past, as long as COVID numbers allow, can't see why library staff would be against it. Will have to check hours as they aren't consistent Monday through Friday

Hopefully skating can happen this winter and no update on when team sports will be allowed.

Hot lunches will resume as soon as allowed

Meeting Announcements:

We will plant to meet the first Tuesday of each month. Staff and community members are always welcome and encouraged to join.

- Tues Nov 2- 6:30pm

Adjournment:

8:05pm Motion to adjourn meeting by Jenn Downey seconded by Lauren Baron





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