

April School Council Meeting – April 20, 2021

6:00 PM – Virtually on TEAMS

Minutes: taken by Tasha

In attendance: Lenee Fyfe, Debbie Newman, Candice Halma, Mindy Kool, Megan Krysa, Tasha Olsen

Regrets:

Agenda:

1. Approval of Feb Minutes – approved by Candice seconded by Tasha
2. Reports – language changes to match education act, policy change re conflict with school sent back for rewording and clarification as there are instances in which it is appropriate to bypass the “chain” when a parent has an issue with a school
3. Communications -none
4. Treasurer Report – sitting pretty good – no requests to spend \$, \$9152.16 in account at present, only thing to clear is cheque for mask lady which has staledated at this time. Hot lunch was successful for March, awaiting reimbursement but will wait a couple months. BPs closes tomorrow!
5. Admin Report
 - COVID case identified – Review process of notification – over Easter break, Thursday before good Friday was last date of exposure but didn’t get tested until the next week, 17 students, 1 teacher, 2 EAs, 1 student teacher and 1 college student in quarantine – only 3 days of online ended up necessary
 - COVID School Reporting – Case Counting – all cases are being assumed to be variant as it is the dominant strain, our counter doesn’t start over until there has been 30 days between cases. Some of the staff were vaccinated but still had to quarantine
 - Technology Upgrades – yesterday leadership kids were hard at work – 35 new computers arrived 25 went upstairs, the ones that were upstairs went down, an additional 10 were purchased and grounded in the Learning Commons, 4/5s got some more grounded computers in their classrooms
 - Buchanan’s Got Talent – more info coming soon – doing talent show this year doing recording both st home and at school
 - Outside Boundary Numbers took in 43 students from outside zone which were grandfathered in; NS schools met and will not be taking any new reg for Kinder or grade 1 from outside zone unless they have a sibling in the school. 26 kids coming that did not fill in out of bounds form for their old school
 - Classroom Placement Forms – write name and child’s name, write attributes that they want/don’t want as far as classroom composition- is this helpful? Do we want to continue this?
6. District School Council Meeting – no one in attendance

7. New Business – Next year planning – meeting with teachers on Friday to do a survey for what is wanted Next year- this year focus on wellness and safety with covid thru assigned doors, multi age, early dismissal for 4/5, cleaning protocols, cohorts of grades for recess times
 - Next Year Planning feedback, survey – what are goals and priorities? Survey for what next year will look like coming out very soon
 - Budget Allocations – came in today! Stayed the same, funds coming in equaled what was being taken away based on enrollment. On the survey will also be where are we spending money this year – as always leadership kids will get a say too.
 - Registration Process Digital – grade 1 has already gone out, check junk folder, other grades will follow so watch email
 - Permission Click – digital permission slips!

8. Old Business – bussing will be changing – elementary going first so bell times will be earlier both morning and dismissal - not confirmed but very likely
Last day, Grade 5 farewell and welcome to kinder all happening roughly at the same time – will be discussing with parents and 4/5 team to figure out what this year will look like to make it special
Beginning of the year was kona ice, want something for end of year – swirlz? Kona again? Cotton candy- movie mill?
9. Fundraising
 - a. EpiCure – May 3 – May 13 – everything is printed and ready to roll! Last fundraiser for the year!

Next meeting date: May 18, 2021 @ 6pm