



Record of Discussion
Thursday December 16, 2021
6:30-8:00 p.m.

1) Welcome and Introductions (Everyone)

- Land Acknowledgement
- Jamie McCallum
- Jennifer Grimsey
- Kallyan Kanti Das
- Leslie King Gregory
- Margaret Rose
- Maria Blahoianu
- Nathalie Sharma
- Andy Hall
- Sarah McGregor
- Janet Hare
- Donna Kind

2) School Update (Principal, Teacher Liaison)

Ms. Sharma:

- Recognized Mme Simonelli's wonderful slide presentation
- Yearly holiday cheque was dropped off to Carson Grove
- Food drive for the Gloucester Food Cupboard was very successful. Many thanks to all participants
- Clothes drive for the schools (winter clothing items needed, extra items to be donated to Carson Grove)
- Big holiday school activities
 - No community participation this year
 - Classes are working on their virtual song and dance presentations
- School superintendent visited this month
 - Meeting focused on primary literacy

Ms Grimsey:

- A lot of excitement in the air anticipating the holiday break
- Classes are working on a lot of fun activities
 - Bell choir
 - "Decorate Your Space" contest

- Mme Stephanie winter Bingo!
- Cahoot games - testing staff
- PJ day
- Virtual sing along - classes are working hard

3) Fundraising Update (Margaret)

- Leslie - Book Fair
 - School still has \$2700 in Scholastic points (no choice for cash)
 - Sum to be divided per homeroom (17 homerooms in the school)
 - \$175 reward points per homeroom

4) Budget Updates (Kallyan)

- \$1250 balance in the school account
 - Extended for another week
 - Leslie: Being delivered in paper wrap with a seal and label. Will set times and dates for delivery after end of book fair. Times will be staggered. A drive through type of thing after school; COVID-compliant.
 - Nathalie: Talked to Superintendent. If we can do it safely, could have one or two vaccinated, masked people standing inside doors if weather is awful. Just can't be during school day.
 - Margaret: Discussed 2:30 p.m. in the church parking lot. Might make sense to do 5:30 p.m. at school for EDP parents.
 - Jamie: End date for last set of books to be delivered?
 - Leslie: Expect by Nov 29
 - Danielle: Bussers? People who aren't close by? Can it be given to the kids? Parents may be expecting that.
 - Margaret: Can set out options. Idea would be for bulk to be picked up by parents to minimize admin work.
 - Tara: Thought it would be distributed to kids in class.
 - Margaret: Have pick up times. If there are some left, either make alternate arrangements or send them home with kids.
- Leslie: suggests another Spring Book Fair
- Andy: will run Plantables again

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- If you have ideas for virtual fundraisers, please email rhopcouncil@gmail.com

5) Roundtable and Closing

- 24 pairs of noise-canceling headphones - will need more for the school (8 children are waitlisted)

- Additional funding to be provided

Next Meeting: Thursday, January 20, 2021 .

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