



Robert Hopkins School Council

Record of Discussion

Thursday, April 13th, 2023

6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

- 1) Welcome, introductions and thank yous (Everyone)
 - Jamie McCallum, Co-Chair
 - Alanna Twohey, Co-Chair
 - Donna Kind, Communications Chair
 - Kristin Bowden, Secretary
 - Stacey Grenier, Vice Principal
 - Nathalie Sharma, Principal
 - Paul Seif, Teacher Representative
 - Matthew McFadden, Treasurer
 - Heather Forsyth
 - Janet Hare
 - Em Damiani, Diversity chair
 - Nick Fundytus
 - Sarah McGregor
 - Yongfei Wu
- 2) Land acknowledgement (Em)
- 3) Approval of Minutes from March, 2023 Meeting deferred to next meeting

4) Introduction of special guest, Trustee Cathryne Milburn

5) School Updates:

Admin Report (Nathalie)

- EQAO Grade 3 (May 29 - Jun1) – online platform
- Topics to bring to May and June Council Meetings for Community Outreach and Voice – next two council meetings at Jasmine Cres.
 - May – Programs -EFI, MFI, English with Core, KG
 - June- Tiered intervention
- OPH Health Nurse visit in May
- Celebrations / Awareness this month: Ramadan and Autism Awareness Month, Sikh Heritage and Appreciation Month, International Pink Shirt Day April 12th
- Mission Statement / Motto / Mascot / Mural Process
- End of Year Planning for Grade 5s
 - Leaving Ceremony Date is: Monday, June 26th, 2023
 - Special Grade 5 Community Building Event
- Tentative Staffing Allocation Org 2023-2024
 - No VP next year, added kinder class, removed one English grade 1-8 class, reduced allocation for special needs and admin
 - Nathalie will advocate for increased EFI classes

Teacher's Report (Paul)

- Mme D-H - new student teacher from Nippissing this month

- Rainbow Pride Club & International Day of Pink
 - Clubs & Sports: Triple ball intramurals, Art Club, Chime Choir, Running Club
 - Grade 1 & 2 – Letter Writing
 - Grade 1 EFI – Les Trois Petits Cochons & Materials
 - Grade 1 & 2 EFI – Science – simple machines
 - Grade 3 EFI – Voting on Prix Peuplier, Analog Clocks & Telling Time
 - Grade 5 – Human Body System, Forest Walk
 - Coming Soon: School Talent Show, Gr. 3-5 Choir, Dance Club, 3 sisters Garden (Gr 1), Gr. 1-2 Intramurals, Gr. 4-5 Soccer Teams, Gr. 3-5 in-school Track & Field Meet, School Track & Field team, Field Trips
 - Request for Lego donations for Lego Club
- 6) Budget Update – (Matthew)
- Current balance ~\$6500
 - Expenses upcoming related to field trips, Scientists in the School, Luv 2 Groove (\$30 projected balance if no more fundraising for the rest of the year)
 - Fundraising initiatives (Estimated \$2000 revenue from Silent Auction / Fun Fair)
- 7) Update on May meeting offsite (Jamie and Alanna)
- Application to book room at 2020 or 2000 Jasmine Cres. Interpreters are on hold for those dates. Looking for Arabic or Somali speaking babysitter.
- 8) Fun Fair and Silent Auction (Jamie and Janet)

- Long list of potential donors (over 300), confirmed donors - close to \$10,000 worth of donations. Huge help from Jennifer Grimsey.
- Sign-up sheet to be circulated for volunteers
- Inflatables (bouncy castle, obstacle course), Lazer Tag, Cotton Candy, Beacon Hill Craft Club, Ottawa Little Medical School activity, Soccer Club, Escape Room Experience (all free of charge), Pita Pit smoothies, BBQ, Bake Sale, Used Book Sale, Donated toys for prizes, Crocadoodle, DJ Music, Face Painting

9) Roundtable

- Reminder: Beacon Hill Community Association Election

Next Meeting May 18th, 2023 @6:30-8:00pm at Location TBD.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:55pm