Agincourt Road School Council Meeting Minutes

October 12, 2021 7.00pm

Present:

Michael Davie

Kim Meegan

Carmen Mackay

Courtney O'Halloran

Amy Herbert

Genna McBain

Lindsay Stewart

Wendy Carter

Melissa Muysson

Yinka Ademuyiwa

Genna McBain

Regina Little

James Gordon

Sarah Mitchelson

Mandy & Gene Seto

Regrets: ?

Next meeting: 16 November, 2021, 7:00pm

- 1.Call to order
- 2. Introduction of 2021-2022 School Council Executives
 - a) Chair Kim Meegan
 - b) Vice Chair Amy Herbert
 - c) Treasurer Melissa Muysson
 - d) Secretary Yinka Ademuyiwa
 - e) Communications Erin Sallie
 - f) Events / Volunteer Coordinator Genna McBain
 - g) Lunch Programs Coordinator Not filled this year
 - h) Parent Involvement To be filled later
 - i) Ottawa Carleton Assembly of School Councils (OCASC) Rep -Kim Meegan (acting)
 - j) Purchaser Erin Sallie

3. School Representative Reports

Principal

- Teacher representative Wendy Carter
- Support staff representative Randy Beer
- Same COVID protocols in place
- Thanks to custodial and instructional staff
- Individual education plans to go home 22 October
- Progress reports to go home 4 November via School Messenger
- PD day on Friday 12 November
- Awaiting direction on parent/teacher interviews, to be 11-12 November
- Remembrance Day ceremony on 11 November
- Vaccinations for grades 7-8 to take place, 25-26 October
- Principal and Vice Principal profiles to be completed by School Council, due by end October
- Cell phones not be used school except under direct supervision for instructional purposes, including grounds and washrooms. Messages should be routed through the office.

Vice Principal

- Board has updated dress code
- Hats now permitted
- No issues unless clothing is considered offensive
- October is Islamic History Month, recognized using announcements and selection of library books
- Fire drill practice conducted on 7 October, with physical distancing. Two more drills in fall and three more in spring.
- Concussion training for all staff ongoing
- National Day for Truth and Reconciliation recognized with classroom discussions and activities
- All students completing bus safety training via video
- Each class now has access to two balls for recess
- Continue to complete daily screening and to notify office of absences
- Rapid antigen tests not currently valid for attendance
- School has take-home tests available

- Bus driver shortage, bus #5 / E88 is 20-30 minutes late at end of day parents are being advised accordingly
- Consultation on the appropriate use of technology, to be discussed at School Council meeting on 16 November (30 minutes)
- 2012 Policy:
 - https://weblink.ocdsb.ca/WebLink/0/edoc/2008623/P%20100%20IT %20-%20Appropriate%20Use%20of%20Technology.pdf
- Play structure not currently in use due to shortage of lunch monitors for supervision.
- Would likely require two staff due to placement.
- Would only be available to one cohort per day, only for grades 3-6.
- Terry Fox Run not held due to lack of staff participation

Teacher Representative

- Staff are happy to have kids back in the school
- Request for renewal of Je Lis
- 8 licenses x \$160 CAD = \$1,300
- Due in November
- Request to remind staff of availability of School Council funds

Treasurer

- \$11k remaining
- \$22k remaining in playscape project account
- Earmarked for outdoor classroom
- \$450 received from Toppers via fundraiser
- Last year:
- Raised \$1k
- Spent \$23k
- Je Lis renewal approved

4. General Discussion

- Meeting invite not sent to all parents, in order to limit attendance to verified Agincourt parents. They can request to be sent the link.
- No student council this year due to logistical difficulties

Communications

Newsletter via School Messenger, also on school website

Outdoor Classroom Committee

- Aiming to raise money this year for installation in summer 2022
- Alison Bell is leading
- Fundraising ideas
- Consumable: Equator coffee / Purdy's chocolate, potentially for Christmas
- Walk-a-thon during gym time, or families at home
- School swag

5. Events

- Staff appreciation
- Could we repeat coffee truck during fall
- Visitors would require vaccination

OCASC

- Next meeting is 21 October
- \$35 membership fee may not be required this year

Meeting Adjourned at 8.12pm