

Agincourt Road Public School

School Council Meeting Minutes

Date: January 17, 2023

Present:

School Council

- Kim Meegan – Chairperson
- Amy Herbert – Vice Chairperson
- Melissa Muysson – Treasurer
- Marcie Wilson – Secretary
- Genna McBain – Events and Volunteer Coordinator
- Sarah Mitchelson – Assistant Events Coordinator
- Erin Sallie – Communications and Pizza Coordinator
- Veronika Burda

School Representatives

- Carmen Mackay – School Principal
- Sanja Vujinovic – School Vice Principal
- Randy Beer – Support Staff Representative
- Wendy Carter – Teacher Representative

07:04 Land Acknowledgement

07:05 Minutes Approved

07:05 Principal's Report

- Term 1 Report card writing starts tomorrow (Jan. 18), available to parents Feb. 15.
Term 1 ends Feb. 3
- Registration dates for French immersion, transfer, kindergarten are coming up
- Kindergarten information night Jan. 31 6-7pm, in person!
(for children turning 4 by Dec. 31, 2023)
- Grade 8 leaving ceremony picture date changed and communicated to parents (Feb. 3)
- Grade 8 Mini Enrichment program is changing to Pathways to Exploration, each school will be allotted certain number of spots, criteria currently unknown, limited information available.
Program expected for May 1-5, 2023. Transportation will not be available.
- OCDSB Strategic Plan consultation meetings happening in next four weeks (Jan. 19 in person, Feb. 2 virtual)
- Volleyball nets cost \$4-5K and may not be compatible with gyms (school will look into funding instead of School Council)

07:14 Vice Principal's Report

- Agincourt website is up to date with events
- Student mental health initiatives

- morning announcements including gratitude practices and Friday Funnies (as requested by Student Council)
- Jan. 30 “Wellness workshop” for Grade 7&8
- Feb. 3 Rideauwood Presentation Part 2 for Grade 7&8
- Extracurriculars
 - Volleyball (Intermediate) and bordenball (Junior), with basketball coming up
 - Jan 19: Girls Volleyball Tournament
 - Jan 24: Boys Volleyball Tournament
 - Volunteer opportunities for students
 - Grade 5 and 6 Student Lunch Monitors have been supporting our younger students
 - Grade 7 and 8 pizza lunch volunteers
 - Grade 7 and 8 Library volunteers
 - Questions regarding sports team selection can be directed responsible teacher. Team selection is based on skills
- Upcoming Dates:
 - January: Tamil Heritage Month, MLK Day, Black Excellence Day, International Holocaust Remembrance Day
 - Jan 25: Get REAL virtual presentations about anti-Black racism (Grades 6-8)
 - Jan 27: Spirit Day - Wacky Tacky Mismatch Day
 - Jan 31: Kindergarten Information Night (6:00 pm - 7:00 pm)
 - Feb 8: Youth Active Media begins for Grade 7 students (Film-making course by Youth Ottawa)
- Grade 8 High School Preparation:
 - Jan 17: Skills Ontario Presentation (Grade 7/8)
 - Jan 19: Sir Guy Carleton Virtual Presentations (Grade 8)
 - Jan 26: Woodroffe Guidance Counsellor Visit (Grade 8)
 - Feb 3: New Grade 8 Photo Day
 - End of January: Preparing Grade 8s for High School and Course Selections
 - Beginning of February: High School Information Nights/Open House
 - Feb 14: Course Selections open until February 25th

07:22 Teacher Representative’s Report

- No teacher requests currently
- Inquiries sent out regarding RazKids and Je lis, awaiting feedback

07:26 Custodial Report

- Nothing unusual to report

07:26 Chair’s Report

- New School Logo: School Council will assemble 3-4 designs and present to student body for voting
1 design has been prepared, more will be forthcoming and discussed within Council

- Fundraising opportunities presented by the 67s: school choir singing at a 67s game, DJ skate night at 67s arena, 67s games ticket fundraiser
 - o Ideas will be considered during next year's event planning
- Starr gymnastics (courtesy Veronika Burda): will set up 45 to 60 minute course, up to 6 classes per day, \$200 per day, Carmen will look into logistics/liabilities
- Professional Development event for school councils on Feb. 8, 6-8pm
- Corporate sponsorship for events: corporations must contact Carmen directly (corporate sponsorship policy is on OCDSB website "[Partnerships, sponsorships, Donations and Co-operative Ventures #535](#)")

07:37 Treasurer's Report

- \$9,000 currently available
- Walk-a-thon funds currently on hold: \$11,241 including ~\$5,000 from last spring's walk-a-thon
- Gym equipment funds still on hold (\$1,200): Wendy to follow up with teachers if there are plans to spend it
- Coding camp cost ~\$950 for Grade 7&8; was very successful, OSBOTS purchased by school

07:41 Communications Report

- Nothing to report

07:43 Event Coordinator's Report

Completed events

- Bake sale was very successful "Best ever", raised \$1,227.30
- Coffee fundraiser, ~90 orders, raised ~\$1,000; Sparkplug was fantastic to work with

Future events

- Outdoor classroom:
 - o \$35K has been raised by School Council so far
 - o Approval from OCDSB to top up to \$50K if decision to proceed made by Jan. 31
 - o Genna to discuss with Carmen to co-ordinate communication and logistics between required parties
 - o Melissa to assemble funds
 - o Boulder seating layout options discussed with preference for circles with a flat side
 - o Option to apply for grants later to add trees (Erin has grant in mind due May 31) but might be better to wait until after it's built
- Dance-a-thon (Feb. 16): 2-3 classes per time to attend dance for 30 minutes, more details and logistics to be coordinated between Genna and Carmen
- Movie night (Jan. 27):
 - o student council is running the concession and evening and are conducting a survey this week to select movie;
 - o volunteers needed for hall monitors, door control, general assistance
 - o funds raised will be directed to student council on the order of \$200
- Book sale (Apr. 24-28): volunteer sub-committee to discuss ideally at 6pm Feb. 21
 - o volunteer and book request blast to come out later

- Cake walk: will be considered during next year's event planning

08:06 Pizza update: next sign up date is in March

08:08 New Business: Executive email account received communication regarding municipal information session Jan. 19 on update to Agincourt Park behind school. Erin will share the information to school community via Facebook.

08:11 Meeting adjourned, next meeting is scheduled for February 21.