

Agincourt School Council

1250 Agincourt Road, Ottawa, Ontario, K2C 2J2, 613-225-2750

Agincourt Road School Council Meeting Minutes March 21, 2023

Present:

Council:
Carmen Mackay
Sanja Vujinovic
Randy Beer
Wendy Carter
Amy Herbert
Genna McBain
Melissa Muysson
Erin Sallie

Parents: Karen Fong Stephen Harrod

Regrets:

Kim Meegan Sarah Mitchelson Marcie Wilson

- 1. Call to order 7:05 pm
- 2. Land acknowledgement
- 3. Approval of Minutes
- 4. Reports:

Principal

- Welcome back following March break
- Recently a message with a survey was sent to School Council Chairs regarding the new Director of Education for the board
- Parent Climate Survey has been sent out to parents by the board
- Ordered volleyball equipment for which council supported with an approved \$2,000
- Many field trips are in the works, with several already approved.
- Ask \$1,000 for a new podium Approved
- Mascot This needs to be finalized
 - Need final design so that it can be used for podium and school clothing
- Education Week Week of May 1st
- Parent Volunteer Breakfast May 4th start time at 7:45 am
- Welcome to Agincourt Evening May 4th for new incoming JK/SK families
- Staffing process to start in early April and will continue until end of September



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Starts with filling teacher positions, then onto support staff.

Vice Principal

Pathway to Exploration Update:

- o All students have been placed in a course on Wednesday, March 15th
- The placement email was sent directly to the student, please contact the office if you did not receive a confirmation
- o Orientation is on Sunday, April 30th
- Activities will be planned at the school for Grade 8 students who are not attending (May 1-5)

High School Update:

 Please contact the office if your Grade 8 child has been placed in a specialized program (Gifted, Canterbury Arts, IB, etc.)

Extra-Curricular Update:

- o Talent Show auditions are after the Easter Break
- Coding Club for Grades 5 and 6
- Chess Club for Grades 1 to 8
- Junior Soccer Team
- o Intermediate Basketball Team
- Volleyball Intramurals

Important Upcoming Dates:

- o March 23: Ramadan begins until April 20
 - Library will be the location for prayers as well as fasting during both lunchtimes
- March 31: Hat Day (Spirit Day)
- March 31: Math Tutor's Last Day
- April 2: World Autism Awareness Day
- April 7: Good Friday (School is Closed)
- April 10: Easter Monday (School is Closed)

Teacher Representative

- Teacher requests
 - Teachers Pay Teachers 1 yr subscription \$146 USD
 - o 3 Licenses for Je Lis \$120
 - Dry Erase Pouches 6 packs of 10 for 2 kinder classes \$21.80 per pack for \$130.80
 - Gym Equipment roughly \$800
- Total of current requests roughly \$1240
- Future request to come in April include equipment for kinder yard and RAZ kids licenses

Support Staff Representative

Over March Break – Small gym and stage wood floors were refinished.

Chair - absent

Vice Chair

Parent Involvement – Speaker for a Parent Involvement session contacted



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- Dr. Vriend Topic would be related to stressors experienced by students and parents and strategies to deal with these stressors.
- Looking at dates for this in-person event
 - May 18th or 25th are possibilities
- Ask to council would be for \$500 to cover the speaker fees.
- Grade 8 Leaving Ceremony
 - Parent Involvement
 - To be discussed at April meeting

Treasurer

- Currently there is still just over \$15,000 to spend
- Spent to date \$2,223
- Committed to date \$4,900
 - o Will remove \$1,200 commitment from last year for gym equipment
- Recently received cheque from school cash online for 2nd half of the year pizza purchases.
- Approved Spending
 - o Podium \$1,000
 - Parent Involvement Speaker \$500
- Donation to Pinecrest
 - May ask for funds to enhance sensory bins for classrooms

Communications

No update at this time

Pizza/Milk Program Coordinator

- Donation received from a generous parent to subsidize pizza for those in need.
- 2nd half of pizza days started just before March break.

Events Coordinator

- Outdoor Classroom Project
 - Location selected
 - Project to be completed over the summer
- Book Sale
 - Event is scheduled from April 24th to 28th
 - o Communications sent out.
 - o TBC with Danica Thursday night is available for sale.
 - Sorting to occur Monday and Tuesday
 - Sale to occur Wednesday and Thursday. Open to public Thursday evening.
 - Each child to choose two books for free on Wednesday.
- Plant Sale Will not occur this year
- Year end BBQ June 1st, rain date of June 8th
- Staff Appreciation Lunch June 19th 10:30-12:30

Meeting End: 8:05 pm

Next meeting: April 18, 2023