

School Council Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Monday, December 13, 2021

Meeting Time: 6:00pm – 7:00pm

Meeting Location: Online Teams Meeting

Welcome and Attendance

Meeting starts at 6:01

Present: Robert Ayres (Chair), Jenny Ingrey (Secretary), Janelle Yoon (Co-Treasurer), Julia Lantos (Teacher), Sylvie Blais (Principal), Amber Giffen (Co-Treasurer);

Regrets: Hakan Karatas (Vice-Chair), Cara McCrae, Ingrid Hollander (Vice Principal)

Old business / updates:

- Review and Approval of this meeting's agenda: approved
- Review and Approval of previous meeting (November) minutes: approved
- Declaration of any conflicts of interest: none

Reports:

- **Principal's Report:**

see attached presentation; Julia Lantos to present: student updates:

Food drive: students bringing in donations for London Food Bank; Gr. 8 student committee: ideas, meeting with principal, phone calls to LFB and prizes for most number of canned goods; decorated box contest: secretaries judge; winners announced Thursday and Gr. 8s to load on the truck; last day to donate is December 14

Acts of Kindness: Gr. 8 COVID-friendly way: bulletin board in intermediate hallway that looks like presents, flipped over each day to see acts of kindness each day and on announcements;

Student voice through student dress code; eco-schools; student-led school where educators are facilitators; book fair:

-Chair sends concerns/questions prior to meeting to S. Blais which works better

COVID-19 Screening Tool: started in December; but comes into effect in January;

what data collected? Student name and completion of screener indicating student can attend or not;

Where is data stored? Data stored at school and system level for roll up numbers of completion/incompletion

Who is responsible? School admin.; who has access to view? School admin. May be asked by Health Unit; or MoE; requirement to screen everyday;

Data stored until end of school year;

Data does not become part of school record; not under OSR requirement;

Mandatory to do for in-person learning

If screening not completed, office will follow up in January; Health unit can follow up also; for troubles with passwords, email the teacher

Rapid Antigen Testing Kits:

-will be sent how to each student; kit is a green box contains 5 individual rapid antigen screening tests to be used throughout the Winter Break; participation is voluntary, not mandatory; if students choose to use test, recommended to be used every 3 - 4 days over Winter Break until all five have been used; instructions to be sent home also provided by Ministry; kits will be distributed the end of the day Friday, Dec. 17th; kits are labelled with students' name and taped closed, distributed by Gr. 8 kids; FAQs also in the hand out

SISP Update also to be sent out

Dress Code: Student feedback: quick view

New year a new sub committee, during the school day to be supervised with a teacher

Other Business:

-requesting a standard Google Meets link for both Home and School and School Council as meetings

- Treasurer's Report:

-OSPN needs to be transferred; Fresh from Farm \$230 from two years ago; not sure where to put this; \$1296 September deposit; \$10,000 from President's Choice; \$1497 to use to purchase through school council (from Home and School); \$989.78 coming out of President's Choice; \$658.79 coming out...School Council funds;

In the new year, will have statements prepared

Need to have transparency for fundraising, both School Council and Home and School School Council needs to seek from Board tenders; if not available, need to seek outside and receive three quotes;

- OSNP (ONTario Student Nutrition Program) Report:

- certain days each month for healthy eating initiatives; if parents can get back in to reopen Breakfast program or snacks, we could do more;
- one option: Butterfly and Bird Garden Seed Catalogue; for spring 'make it sow' company plants trees; Produce Express; hands-off so ordering online and sent to home
- required by OSNP to fundraise while also receiving money
- will circulate information to decide focus for new year; restrictions in terms of healthy foods
- must apply every year; must use money up by March or will lose it

- LAFIPS Home and School Representative's Report:

No formal report; can access minutes normally but not ready yet; no quorum so couldn't vote, but thinking about Gr. 8 Grad; hopefully starting hot lunch in January; able now to do Electronic Money Orders

- Fundraising Committee Report:

-no formal meetings; new year R. Ayres will send out emails; will work on the school sign for what it would look like, to formalize the process/proposal

- Chairman's Report:

-nothing further to add

New Business

- Review of Draft Student Dress Code: covered in Sylvie's report; will be a sub-committee in new year

- Update on parent volunteers for parking lot supervision, how has it been working?

-only 3 parents volunteered; cannot do a schedule; Sylvie and Ingrid are continuing to do so; can reissue the letter to request volunteers in new year

- Any issues with new Covid screening tool: covered in Sylvie's report;

- Parent volunteer access to school - update: opening up, restricted, need to be double-vaxxed, proof, sign in with QR codes for contact tracing; may need to take a step back and be more cautious

Questions from the Community:

- None at this time

Closing:

- Next Meeting: Monday, February 7, 2022 (6:00 – 7:00 pm)
- Adjournment: Motion to adjourn: J. Yoon; seconded by R. Ayres; meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm