School Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 3, 2022 (6:00-7:30 p.m.)

The meeting of Assikinack School Council was held on October 3, 2022 in the library.

| 1. | Attendees: | | |
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| | Lesley Prestwich - Co-Chair | Denise Haelzle – Secretary | |
| | Sal eh Aldouri - Co-Chair | Susan Khodau – Volunteer Coordinator | |
| | Kristy Reynolds- Principal | Shannon Taylor - Non-Teaching Representative | |
| | Len Dunkley - Vice Principal | Barrie Public Library -Community Representative | |
| | Micelle Brown - Teacher | | |
| | Representative (sends regrets) | Voting members: | |
| | | Nadia Broley, Tonya Guthrie, Trina Maus, Lisa Smith, | |
| | | Emily Wake, Cally Wilson | |
| | | Sends regrets: Alex Robinson | |
| | | Non-Voting Members present: | |
| | | Sarah Axler-Smith, Tracy Burt, Stephanie Brown, Steph | |
| | | Thompson, Cesia Green, Melissa Hansen | |
| 2. | Welcome and introductions | | |
| 3. | Reviewed the School Council Constitution and By-Laws | | |
| | All agenda items are due to the chair no later than 10 days prior to the school council meeting | | |
| | Shared Reminder: Roles and Responsibilities of School Council | | |
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| | | to agree verbally around the table | |
| | You are all here for every student in the school | | |
| | You are all the advisory body to administration | | |
| | - | together to make decisions but ultimately administration | |
| | in the end will make the fi | | |
| 4. | Elect chair (or co-chairs) | | |
| | Co-Chairs: Lesley Prestwich and S | Saleh Aldouri put their names forward. Agreed to co- | |
| | chair. Voting members approved. | | |
| 5. | Elect Members | | |
| | All voting members are in. | | |
| | Volunteer Coordinator - Susan K | hodau put her name forward. Voting members approved | |

Secretary - Denise Haelzle put her name forward. Voting members approved

6. **Teacher's Report:**

Some of the amazing things happening right now are...

- -Mrs. Black and Team ran the school wide Terry Fox run last week raising funds for cancer research. So far we have raised \$2465 and the donations remain open until this Friday, October 07, so spread the word!
- -Mrs. Mcknight and Mme. Wontorra are supervising Flag football practices that are actively occurring each day.
- -Mrs. White and Mrs. Marshall are actively running cross country running practices each day in anticipation for the upcoming Sunnidale Division run.
- -Mr. Dunkely is actively accepting entrances into the "What it is like to be a Blackbird at Assikinack" card contest.
- -Whole school recesses students are collaborating and socializing on the field again. Gaga ball, basketball, soccer, among other creative and imaginative activities.
- -National Truth and Reconciliation on September 30, 2022, brought instruction and lessons about the importance of moving forward in a respectful, honest and integrated manner to foster an inclusive and understanding learning community.
- -Mrs. Seymour has started Library exchanges, and many students are actively participating in the opportunity to sign out books again.
- -Breakfast carts are readily available in the mornings again thanks to our Leadership Team run by Mrs. Turk and the Social Skills class.
- -Students are learning through a diverse, equitable, and inclusive lens about the many cultures here at Assikinack through lessons in the classroom and interactive displays. For example, this month some of our school community will celebrate Diwali, Yom Kippur, and Durga Ashtami to name a few.
- -This week we have Amy Beauchamp from the Board Office with the Giant Map Carpet displaying the history of our Indigenous people of Canada to provide a visual and interactive experience for our school community.
- -We celebrated our Custodians today, as yesterday, October 02, 2022 was "Custodian's Day." Classes in the school have the opportunity each week to win the "Golden Broom" award for the cleanest classroom in an effort to remain diligent in helping one another out to keep our school and environment clean.
- -October 5th is World Teacher Day!

- -Spirit Days this month include Sports Jersey Day on October 18, 2022, and Orange and Black Day on October 31, 2022.
- -Finally, our meet the teacher/families night is this Thursday, October 06, 2022 from 5:00pm 6:30pm. We look forward to seeing everyone!

7. **Principals Report-** K. Reynolds

- OPHEA Gold last year
- Students have adjusted well thanks to the positive support and coaching of staff and parents

Setting the path for 2022-2023:

- Focus on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, Mental Health and Well-Being, Numeracy, and Literacy
- Professional learning & integration of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion into teaching (ie. Truth and Reconciliation, Black History 365)
- Familiarizing with First 20 Days of literacy
- Focus and initiatives to support personal and student well-being
- Math Social-Emotional learning, Coding and Financial Literacy
- Collaborative Problem-Solving Model
- Safe and Caring Adults
- M2LRN

Staffing

• We went down 1.2 teachers – this was why we had to re-organize.

Fundraising Plan:

Lunchbox – is live: Tuesday is sub day (Subway) and Thursday is Pizza Day (Pizza Palace)

- Lunch will be delivered to the school at 12:45
- Ordering deadline is each Sunday at 12:00pm for the upcoming week
- Lunches start next week.

OTHER Fundraising Suggestions:

- Little Caesars pizza kit night
- Scholastic book fair
- Fresh from the Farm
- Candy grams in February for a Friendship/kindness Anti-bullying day
- Dance winter and spring
- Purdy's chocolates
- Krispy Kreme

| | Looking into the below fundraisers: | | |
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| | Garden Gallery – Rosebush sales | | |
| | Financial Report - \$23,138.26 – (minus \$11837.59 – for breakfast program and EWTE) \$11,000.67 left | | |
| | School Yard improvement: | | |
| | We would like to have our tarmac painted – We have an approx. quote \$4000.00 – Council voted on and approved for us to move forward with this. We will pay out of BN School Yard Improvement (\$4880.31) APPROVED | | |
| | Council agreed to move \$300.00 from BN School Yard Improvements into BN School Beautification | | |
| | Proposed to have funds from BN General School Needs – (\$2165.06) go towards the purchase of story walk books that the school can sign out and use. The cost for 3 is around \$1500. Council will look at this next meeting. | | |
| | Progress reports/report cards will go home Nov 10 and student led conferences – | | |
| | Nov. 17th | | |
| | Term 1 Report Card: Feb 17 | | |
| | Term 2 Report Card: June 23 | | |
| 9. | Library- no updates | | |
| | Dates of upcoming meetings: November 7, February 6, April 3, June 5 | | |
| 10. | School Council Admin Team Profile: Due at next meeting | | |
| 11. | Safety Committee: | | |
| | Parent concern about the bushes on the property needing to be trimmed due to overgrowth. Mr. Dunkley will look into this. | | |
| 12. | Other Business: | | |
| | Parent request to not have students have wish lists at bookfair. Having these result in student disappointment | | |
| | Parent asked if the gum on the outside wall could be removed. | | |
| | Can parents receive an email with upcoming sports and clubs | | |
| 1.3 | Adjournment: | | |
| | Meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m. | | |
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