

Parent Council Minutes:

Thursday, March 18, 2020
6:30pm

Present: Dave Legere (co-chair), Shannon Boisvenue (recorder), Jen Toop (non-teaching rep), Kali Greene (principal) Jean Kearney-Grant (teacher rep), Patricia Henry-Murphy, Steven Beecraft, Thomas Martineau, Liz Doyle (treasurer), Melissa Campeau

Regrets: Lianna Brown (co-Chair)

Agenda Item	Presenter	Discussion/Action Items Decision & Follow-Up
Welcome	Dave welcomed everyone to the meeting	Call to order @ 6:30pm. Attendance taken. Shannon motioned to pass the previous minutes, Patricia seconded.
Principal's Report	Kali Greene	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There have been some changes in the breakdown of students in the different learning methods: there are currently 226 in person learners, 13 synchronous, 18 asynchronous digital and 4 asynchronous non digital. • Over the past week classes have hosted Scientists in the School and JB Arts. Both programs were a huge success. Students also received masks for being superheroes. • First virtual Raven Rally was held for the months of January and February. • Air purifiers have been placed in each classroom. • Kindergarten registration has begun, on track. • Water coolers had been purchased. However, ministry has provided a grant for same. Three water stations will be provided including installation. Therefore, school council funds will not be required for them. • Currently no news to report regarding next school year. Ministry will provide information. • School photos to take place at the end of March. There will be no class photos. Kali to inquire about a composite or collage option for students. • Sensory walk to be set up in back hallway at the end of the month. • No news has been received regarding a leaving ceremony, will be a district wide approach. At R Tait there are two grade 6 cohorts therefore a virtual ceremony for parents may be possible. • Continue to have zero cases at the school!
Teacher's Report	Jean Kearney-Grant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good feedback from the two programs this week (Scientists in schools and JB Arts). • Video from students was appreciated.

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Funds	Group Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion regarding possibilities for school funds to be spent. • Some possibilities include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Books for school library (donations a possibility as well). Librarian has expressed a need for new materials such as graphic novels. • School yard equipment • Indoor equipment(gym) • Yearbook costs • Sound system (currently in person assemblies are not taking place) • Painted yard games
Miscellaneous	Group Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Question was asked if there will be a school yearbook this year? Unsure as the school is unable to collect funds. Suggestion was made by Liz that perhaps this is something that school funds could support. The yearbook would have a different feel to it without any sports teams or activities however, may be a good keepsake regardless? • Dave brought forward the board issued survey for parents regarding 2021-2022, link available on the Facebook page. No changes in the calendar. PA days at the beginning of September with students returning after Labour Day. • Tree planting update deferred to next meeting. • Dave would like to see a celebration for the school population, within current limitations (Outside of, as well as year end).
New Business		No new business
Dates of Future Meetings		Date for the next School Council Meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thursday May 6, 2021
Meeting adjourned		Meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm