

**Athlone School Parent Council Meeting - TEAMS  
Minutes  
2021-01-12 1900**

Call to order

- 1904

No additions

Introductions/In Attendance

David Wade - Vice President  
Sharon McIntyre - Treasurer  
Sarah Johnson - Secretary  
Janna Thomson -Attendee  
Jodie Penner - Attendee  
Bailey Watson - Attendee  
Erin Robins- Attendee (long standing past council member)  
Garry Magnan - Attendee  
Nicole Sage - Attendee  
Brian Mustard - President  
Ryan Miller - Principal

Review of Minutes from Previous Meeting

- No errors or omissions
  - motion to accept the minutes as presented - Sharon
  - second - Janna
  - Motion carried

Treasurer's Financial Report - Sharon McIntyre

- cheque dropped off to school for \$1700 as discussed
- balance remaining is \$1100
- All the bank statements have been collected from school
- Letter dated Nov 6 re charitable status indicates documentation required
- Received notice for next year's submission re charitable status
- Will call to clarify requirements this week
  - motion to accept financial report as presented - Sarah
  - second - Erin
  - Motion carried

Principal's Report - Ryan Miller

- Thanks for classroom funding
  - \$150 for each classroom teacher
  - \$100 to each specialist teacher (Phys. Ed. and Music)
  
- mailbox is pretty full at the school

- Remote learning update
  - 54 students have opted for remote learning
  - Division is supporting 3 methods of remote learning
    1. Medically Advised remote learning
    2. Code Orange opt in
    3. Temporary January opt in
  - if families have opted in for Medical or Code Orange opt in, families are expected to continue to learn from home until code orange is lifted
  - temporary opt in ends on 2020-01-15
  - ~14 students to return on 2020-01-17
  - Remote learning has allowed distance in classrooms
  - accommodation to return to class before code orange is lifted is considered on a case- by- case basis
  - there is currently no plan for extension
- Student enrichment
  - snow hills have been a fun addition to the playground
  - ski grooming will take place in a week or two
  - Bouldering wall in the gym person has been hired to make colored courses
  - kindness week Jan 25-29
    - decisions being made as to what we are doing
    - flashlights received as a give away for kindness week
- ongoing safety protocols are being maintained
  - students are complying with mask wearing
- Kindergarten registration
  - usually in January
  - videos will be provided to parents
  - forms will be available online
  - details to be determined ASAP

#### Ongoing Business

- David - curious about Facebook page
  - Maria is the FB admin
  - David will assume FB admin responsibilities
  - Sharon will assist

#### Fundraising

- Ryan will ask teachers at the next staff meeting what the next item to fundraise for
- February meeting we will discuss fundraising
- hydroponic station a strong contender
- teacher appreciation in April
- Erin - staff appreciation has received a lot of donations in the past
- Erin asked about fundraising parameters/restrictions/guidelines (contactless?)
- bring fundraising ideas to February meeting

#### Grants Update - Erin

- Investors Group
  - proposals entertained for a variety of pursuits
  - Erin will apply for investors group grant

#### New Business

- Sharon - to access online banking Sharon needs to go to bank in person, David needs to electronically sign and send back to Sharon
- David- are there families in need?
  - Ryan - has applied for and received a \$3500 grant, and senior admin has indicated there is an additional budget available to the school. That is sufficient to support Athlone families in need. There is no further requirement from Parent council
- David - social events? math night?
  - There have been a lot of community/social events in the past, unfortunately most of these are not feasible this year due to Covid

#### General discussion/Fundraising Brainstorming

- virtual Mt Everest climb
- Movember
- virtual sponsored race
  
- I Love to Read month is February
  - committee meeting on Friday
  - looking to move reading month to March
  - will update at February meeting

#### Other business

##### Set next meeting date

- February 2 at 1900

##### Adjourn Meeting

- 1950