

## **Ecole Voyageur Parent Council January Minutes May 25,2022**

Meeting start time: 6:02pm

Attending: Andrea, Adrea, Kayla, Steve M, Alison Dalzell, Meghan, Nicole S, Sarah P.

### **Minutes:**

**Previous minutes:** Reviewed missing minutes from January and April

Motion from Andrea to amend minutes from January 18, 2022 regarding discussion about fundraising committee. To change from specific conversation to overall discussion.

Amend January 18 minutes: "Fundraising: Discussion regarding Funding Change and division processes occurred. Andrea to confirm with division. Steve to initiate Funding Change application. Vote to move forward with 50/50 for the purpose of fundraising for parent council activities and outdoor learning space was approved.

Kayla accepted

Lauren seconded. "

Amend Names: Jennifer Lusk, Reid to Lauren

*\*Steve motioned to accept minutes from January and Amendments. Kayla Seconded.*

*\*Steve motion to accept minutes from April and Kayla Seconded*

### **Agenda:**

*\*Steve motions to accept Agenda. Kayla seconds.*

### **President Report:**

No report from Steve M

*\*Steve approves. Adrea seconds*

### **Principal Report**

- Current enrollment: 249 students. Kindergarten for next year is 35 children. 2 classes next year.
  - We may need to do a lottery for morning Kindergarten spots
  - We are able to have an adapted version of the Welcome to Kindergarten. Takes place on Thursday May 31<sup>st</sup>.
  - Videos will also be available
- June 20<sup>th</sup> – Grade 5 farewell: 2pm in the gymnasium
  - 4 tickets per child
  - Siblings will be able to see a similar program in the AM
  - Middle school transition day will be Friday June 24 in the PM
- Volunteer application forms: anyone who wishes to volunteer on field trips or within the school
  - Takes 4-6 weeks to clear criminal record checks
- Class placements – information was sent out early this year

- Appreciate understanding and patience while we prepare final placements
- Q: Students may get to meet their new teacher by the end of the year, will this happen?
  - Struggle with volunteers and working around field trip schedules
  - Hopeful it will be scheduled for Tuesday June 27<sup>th</sup> – more info to come
  - Last day of school is the 29th
- Permits
  - Question on whether to pull permits for parent council meetings in person. Happy with the participation with the flexibility of access to TEAMS. Option to do mix of virtual and in person. Will revisit in the fall.
  - Permits have not been pulled for Parent Council meetings at this time. When events do occur, permits take approx. 2 weeks to obtain.
- Andrea will be away for most of June
  - Will return in August
  - Will be an acting principal during that time
  - Will miss you Andrea, be well!

*\*Steve motions to accept, Adrea seconds*

### **Treasurer Report**

Amendment to previous report (April): Stated there was a cheque to be process for \$40 – however there is no cheque outstanding for \$40.00

Account balance after owing: \$3,480.10

*\*Steve motions to accept, Kayla seconds*

### **Outdoor Learning Space**

- Sarah to share discussion on May 11<sup>th</sup>
  - Community met online to present Little Bleu Stem's plan
  - Few people offered to assist and help with Grants for the project
    - Grant through Manitoba Ed requires approval through the super intendant department and maintenance department – waiting for response
  - Waiting on approval from the school division
    - School Division requested that Andrea make a plan on maintaining vegetation proposed throughout the summer. Daycares offered to assist.
    - Question on whether we needed to move any existing structures – we indicated that this was not a requirement for this project
  - Learning hills: Division had concerned that grass does not grow as well and cannot be maintained with constant activity. Andrea responded and the school division will discuss. Division maintenance meets every Wednesday. Andrea will update once we hear back
    - Artificial turf was offered as a solution
  - Waiting on approvals or recommendations for changes

*\*Steve motions to accept, Adrea seconds*

### **Fundraising Committee**

- Steve: Would anyone be interested in holding another fundraiser by the end of the year?
  - Popcorn fundraiser
  - Fun run
  - Show and save
    - Andrea to send information
- School will likely hold 2 fundraisers this fall (FYI)

*\*Steve motions to accept, Adrea seconds*

### **New Business**

- Meeting was held as a school team for grade 5 farewell
  - Teachers are putting together the agenda
  - School funds are being used to give a certificate, dainties / drinks
  - Parent council is welcome to use funds towards the Grade 5 Farewell
  - Total number of grade 5's are
    - Previously Voyageur parent council would provide custom medals
  - Reminder to send in picture of your grade 5 recreating a baby picture for slideshow
  - Andrea offered to send an email to everyone to form a committee on how to spend the \$500 budgeted
    - Steve, Nicole and Kayla have grade 5 children
- Fun lunch is due this week
  - Fun Lunch is Thursday June 2

*\*Steve motions to adjourn the meeting, Adrea seconds*

Last meeting of the year

Meeting adjourned 6:58pm

