



School Council

October Meeting Minutes

12 October 2022 / 5:15 p.m. - In person

PRESENT: Stephanie Slipiec, Felicia Campbell, Fiona DeBono, Amanda Qaqish, Leslea McMullen, Bonnie Pineault, and Beth Adlam

REGRETS: Chris Conklin-Trudell, Nicole Bissonnette, and Nick Arundine

School Council Membership

Current members running for Executive positions:

Chair - Stephanie Slipiec

Chair - Chris Conklin-Trudell

Chair - Felicia Campbell

Chair - Fiona DeBono

- Discussion around having the four co-chairs working together. All were in favour of having the 4 co-chairs. Position of co-chair is acclaimed.

Secretary – Beth Adlam has agreed to be the secretary. Beth indicated she is an employee of the GECDSD and if there is a conflict of interest, she will abstain from voting.

Voting Members: Amanda Qaqish and Cheryl Germain. Although we are hoping to recruit a few more parent members!

Teacher Representatives – Bonnie Pineault and Nicole Bissonnette

Administration Team – Leslea McMullen and Nick Arundine

Updates

1. **School Spirit** items that can be sold to the community will be sold by MinCity Designs. Orders will be available online until October 28, 2022.

- There are a variety of options available for the students and their families to choose from. Form will be posted online and on class Edsby pages. Teachers will promote it and place it in the announcements. Leslea will promote the Spirit Wear and send it out on Edsby to parents. Office will print off a few hardcopies for families who may not have access to the internet or have language barriers.

2. New 4-Square boxes on school grounds

- New lines may be painted on the pavement. Should we wait until after the winter weather or paint lines now? Discussion occurred regarding whether we will be moving over to the new building in January. The discussion continued as to whether it would be beneficial to have the lines refreshed and/or added.
- There was a recommendation made to purchase a portable unit (see below)



CROSSNET Four Square
Volleyball Set

3. PRO Grant

- Stephanie spoke to Beth Silverio (at the Board Office). We are all set with everything. The team effort from last year's parent engagement was well received by the Forest Glade School Communities (Eastwood, Forest Glade, and Parkview).

4. Fundraising updates/dates

- Dieleman Fundraising – October 24 to November 18, 2022
- Catalogue orders – online option – everything from wrapping paper, gifts, and cookie dough
- Reward system – every \$1 spent, children get points to save up. They can redeem for incentives from current year or redeem from year to year if we use the same fundraiser again.
- 300 catalogues are coming
- Profit is 42%

5. GRADE 8 Food Days

- All orders must be placed by October 16. Grade 8 students are planning to do this for the entire year. School Council would like to continue to choose a student from each class to give a lunch to, once a week. School Council had a criteria that had to be met. Classroom Teachers will be able to help decide who can be the recipient of the subsidized lunch items.
- Smoothies (from Pita Pit) – Oct. 19
- Pita Pit – Oct. 26
- Pizza & Crazy Bread – Nov. 2

6. By Laws

- Will be postponed until the next meeting. Fiona will send out what we currently have for the Council to view and then approve at the next meeting. Nick has already revised some components.

7. Committee appointments

- Discussed at previous meeting

8. Grade 7 & 8 Student Representatives for School Council

- Looking for 2 to 4 student reps from Grades 7 & 8
- Perhaps there are a few students who applied for the Leadership Program and did not receive it, these would be great candidates to consider
- Leslea will look for the Leadership Application to tweak for School Council Reps

9. New Members

- Fiona will send the survey to send out to parents requesting new members to join the School Council and also promote the School Facebook Page.

10. Financial standings

- No change or updates from the previous meeting

11. Snack Program

- Certified Safe Food Handling Program? Which staff member has done this and are they willing to be the contact person. Leslea will ask staff members.
- In the past, fresh fruits and vegetables would come in once a week. School Council volunteers would come and set up for the students.
- There are many options for grants available to check into: OSNP, Metro Green Apple Grants, and Forgotten Harvest. Are there other options?
- Stephanie will reach out to Forest Glade P.S. to see what their options have been in the past.
- Leslea will look into Green Heart Lunch Club and having Dennis Rogers come to our next Council Meeting to present (dennis@greenheartlunchclub.com)

12. Christmas Holiday Support

- 2 families or more this year
- It has been a practise in the past to “sponsor” two families at Christmas and provide support to them during the holidays

NEW BUSINESS

1. Additional Fundraiser options to consider

- Food Days work well once a week
- Chocolate Bars
- What's Poppin' Popcorn
- Lakeshore Cinemas – Movie Tickets for sale
- Movie Night – Pre-purchase Food
- First Aid Kits – Canadian Safety Supplies
- March Break considerations – Easter timeframe maybe chocolates?

2. Kaleb's Kourage Events & Kim Taylor Memorial Awards

- Bake Sale and Food Drive to support Kaleb's Kourage – Kaleb was an Eastwood student who was very active in his school and community through sports. He was diagnosed with cancer and fought for many years. At the age of 13, Kaleb passed away. Every year, the Eastwood Community holds a special fundraiser and food drive to support Kaleb's Kourage, a non-profit organization, run by Kaleb's family, who support children facing challenges due to medical needs.
- Kim Taylor Memorial Award – will this award be given in memory of Kim Taylor, a long-standing Parent Volunteer and School Council Member from Parkview, who lost her battle with cancer in 2005. This award is presented to a deserving student in Grades 1 through 8. It is awarded by the School Council at the final assembly in June.
- Will these events/awards for our school community move forward this year?

3. Terry Fox Fundraiser

- Leslea thinks that the school met their goal of \$1000.

4. Cross-Country

- Students participated and it was a beautiful day. There were a lot of great students who represented the school. 1 student in Grade 3 will go on to the district meet later this week.

5. "Read-o-Ween"

- Students may dress up as a character from their favourite book. It is a fun-filled day that the students look forward to. Perhaps the option of handing out a special treat to all students, courtesy of School Council would be a nice gesture for this day!

6. Photo Day

- Tentative Date is November 7, 2022 with Edge Imaging – One time use special event photo booth – idea for the students to use this option for their graduation. Many other options available as promotional items.

7. Upcoming School Council Meetings

- Will a hybrid model be used? Is this an option?
- evhparentcouncil@gmail.com – email that will go directly to the four co-chairs
- Next Meeting – Wednesday, November 2, 2022 at 5:15 p.m.

Motion to Adjourn – Felicia C.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Meeting Minutes prepared by Beth Adlam

School Council Secretary, 2022-2023