



# Central Elementary School

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 PRINCIPAL: Mr. G. Carey

<b>Date</b>	April 5, 2022
<b>Start Time – End Time</b>	7:00pm – 8:00pm
<b>Meeting Location</b>	Microsoft Teams meeting
<b>Attendees</b>	Gordon Carey, Principal James Kesteven, Chair Ybia Anderson, Treasurer Christine Sandor, Secretary Bradley Kore, Teacher Representatives (Regrets) Beth Grosso, Teacher Representatives Rebecca Antoszek, Parent Representative Louai Moghrabi, Parent Representative (Regrets) Jeremy Sandor, Parent Representative

Agenda Item	Topic	Action Items
Land Acknowledgment (James)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Flag installation- Canadian Indigenous Flag</li> <li>James proposed installing the Canadian Indigenous Flag somewhere at Central – has spoken with Ms. Hill and Gord about this</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gord and Ms. Hill have connected with Lisa King who is the Indigenous Cultural Safety lead with the HWDSB for next steps</li> </ul>
Review of Previous Minutes (Christine)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>See minutes from March 1, 2021 – minutes approved</li> </ul>	
Chair Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Main update is planning PRO grant event – to discuss at the end of the meeting</li> <li>It would be helpful to have more information regarding the funds that are available so that we can decide how best to utilize these funds – Christine suggested the possibility of purchasing a re-usable sign that says “Welcome to Central” in several languages that could be used at the beginning of the school year and at other events throughout the year; it would also be helpful to send a survey to teachers to see if there are “class sets” that could be purchased that classrooms could lend out</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ybia, Gord, James to meet to discuss School Fundraising Plan further this week Thursday April 7 @ 10</li> <li>Christine will create a survey to circulate to teachers</li> </ul>
Principal Report (Gord Carey)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increase in number of reported cases of COVID at Central over the last couple of weeks; internal staff have been able to cover absences and have an emergency supply list to call from; haven’t approached 30% threshold to contact public health; encouraging</li> </ul>	



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	<p>continued mask wearing with students and staff; cases reported on Central website</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jeremy asked if there were any metrics that would trigger additional school-specific COVID measures – (eg – cohorting, more time outside, eating outside etc) – no clear metrics have been identified that would trigger implementing school-specific COVID measures, aside from those mandated by the province or board</li> <li>Gr 1 and Gr 2 teachers to participate in Spark Reading program education - has been delayed due to staffing shortages</li> <li>Gr 3s preparing for online EQAO which happens at the end of May – waiting for clearance to release teachers to do that training</li> <li>In process of staffing for next year – numbers of staff etc, assigning teachers positions for next year</li> <li>Facilities – scaffolding up to prevent ice and snow falling</li> <li>Fenced-off garden area by the kindergarten area is going to be cleaned up and used by the school and the community volunteer, Elke</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Plan to meet in 2 wks (Tues April 19); to reassess cases and COVID measures in the school</li> </ul>
Teacher Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Beth has started an art club with her Gr 5s</li> <li>Teachers and students continue to be masking indoors</li> <li>Teachers met to discuss Learning Skills and made anchor charts to put up in classrooms so that they can refer to the learning skills throughout the day within their class</li> </ul>	
Parent Engagement Event	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>\$1000 PRO Grant</li> <li>Potential dates: Mon May 30, Tues May 31</li> <li>In-person event held at the school with virtual contingency plan</li> <li>Translation/signage will likely be main expense</li> </ul> <p>Things to consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Food/refreshments</li> <li>Daycare onsite for during the meeting/event</li> <li>Plan to invite our school board trustee to event and possibly Ward 2 city counsellor</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gord to be in touch with Brad – to advise as to what interpreters would be useful for this event and whether May 30/31<sup>st</sup> dates are feasible</li> </ul>
Meeting Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8:10pm</li> </ul>	
Upcoming Meetings	<p>Tues Apr 19 – COVID check-in          Tuesday May 3, 2022 (regular meeting)</p>	