

Dr. Davey Elementary School Council Meeting

April 9, 2024 (9:10-10:10)

Introduction - Anja Lehto

Land Acknowledgment - Alissa Fairley

Present: Anja Lehto: Chair, Heather Elson: co-chair, Alissa Fairley: secretary, Terri Trimble: principal, Lisa Droogendyk, Gavin Sadler, Brenda Lecouter, Katie Peters Hanson, Scott Welsh, Summer Routledge, Jennifer Routledge

Principals Outdoor Presentation (Terri Trimble and Sloan, student)

- Classroom presentations on why artificial grass instead of dirt/mud areas
- Artificial grass in the strip along the west side of kindergarten yard and the earth along the south west part of the playground
- No. 9 for front of school, southeast side, along Wilson and Ferguson

Outdoor Consultation (Alissa Fairley)

- Funds exist but no formal team set up
- Why consultation is necessary
- Why are others needed in this process
- Why sustainability matters
- Is artificial turf sustainable?
- So what else is there?

Discussion points

- Grass will not grow in the southwest section so artificial turf is the best choice to allow for soccer playing there
- Concerns of heat in the kindergarten playground. Asked if could plant more trees here and were informed Facilities will not. Look into how to provide more shade in the kindergarten play space in other ways?
- Concerns that the artificial turf may cause harm to the 2 trees currently there. A bench will be around the kindergarten one. Nothing proposed for the other one

-Concerns that there will not be enough funds after adding turf. Artificial turf will cost \$33,000. This leaves us with \$100,000 to remediate the new proposed area out front. This space still requires fencing and fees of \$6,600 for the consultation using #9. School Board Facilities will look into the use of donated log benches by parent volunteer and Arborist to help save \$

-Offering more space through the use of Beasley Park. Queen Victoria was a pilot for this using Corktown Park. The use of Beasley park is not an option due to safety reasons according to our Principal, Terri Trimble.

Grants/Fundraising

-Canada Post Community Foundation Grant applied for in March. Up to \$5,000 for outdoor equipment

-Ward 2 Grant being looked into for Stream of Dreams Program

-Next pizza day is April 26

-Little Caesar's take home pizza kit coming back by popular demand

-Mabel's labels update

-Jump Rope for Heart happening May 3rd,
Online confusion, looking into paper forms

Next meeting May 28th from 9:10-10:10

New business for next agenda:

-Next year preparation

-Roles for next school year

-Home and School representative

Adjournment