

SCHOOL COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday September 22, 2020

MS Teams Meeting @ 7 p.m.

PRESENTER	AGENDA ITEM	INFORMATION	ACTION REQUIRED
Cindy Stranak	Welcome and Land Acknowledgement		
Cindy Stranak	Introduction of Virtual Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All cameras and microphones are recommended to be turned off. • Use the chat feature to indicate you want to speak. • Don't use the chat feature to enter comments so that we can see who has questions. 	
David Thorne	School Reopening Plan	<p>Garbage Bins have moved! Playground has been paved and there is a new Learning Commons – See action item 1</p> <p>Every space has been reviewed to bring into compliance for social distancing. Extra furniture and non-essential classroom items have been moved into the gym – waiting for proper storage.</p> <p>Currently there are about 470 students at EK. Approximately 80 chose remote learning.</p> <p>Question (Q) 1: Exercise. How do we incorporate physical activity into the day? This is a phased approach to reentry. First we are getting children comfortable with the outside pod concept. In the next stage (happening soon.. maybe even this week) we are creating larger outside space for recess - want the kids to be comfortable with it and then we will.. stage 3.. introduce class equipment for the kids to use in the pod</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. David is going to take some photos of the new areas and share it with Council 2. David is going to suggest teachers share pictures of their empty classroom with parents at the staff meeting on Thursday

		<p>Q2: What does DPA mean? DPA = Daily physical activity. Nutrition Breaks currently are being kept as simple as we can for consistency for the kids but we do these things for distancing measures between classes.</p> <p>Q3: Can you take photos of the classroom? Yes we can. See action item 2</p> <p>Q4: Recess time – kids need to be able to run and play. Pods are not sufficient space to allow for this. Exercise is critical to child development and the playground is closed. Is it possible to introduce more activity into the day? The class pod space is approximately 15x15. They are looking at larger space.</p> <p>Q5: Can kids bring play equipment? NO. It is being discouraged because they do not want toys going back and forth. We will consider staggered nutrition break time so the kids get more space.</p> <p>Q6: Walk around the block? The current response is no – because it's a trip and trips are not currently allowed by the board.</p> <p>Q7: Is it possible to get a timetable for the school day? Yes but your patience is appreciated because things are changing so quickly so individual teachers are going to be more delayed this year than past years because of everything going on.</p> <p>Q8: Where is the public health guidance coming from for the play equipment? It is coming from the school board executive council. Assumption is coming from public health and minister of education.</p> <p>Q9: Is it possible to share the outdoor plan with parents? Yes. See action item 3</p>	<p>3. David to review the plan and share what he can with Cindy and Lisa who can share it to this group.</p> <p>4. David will look into if parents can store any of the furniture and if it is possible, he will communicate to Cindy and Lisa</p>
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