

MINUTES

School Council Earl Kitchener

January 21st 2024 | 6:30pm

Welcome and Land Acknowledgement

Land Acknowledgement by Dave Thorne and welcoming words.

Approval of Minutes and Agenda

The Agenda for January Meeting were approved by:

- Kathrin, Fleur

Agenda Change for January Meeting were approved by:

- None

The Meeting Minutes from November were approved by:

- Kathrin, Fleur

Meeting Minutes Change:

- None

Pro Grant Approval (Rachael)

- ProGrant got approved for \$900
 - Rachael listed a couple options but many were out of budget
 - McMaster Prof Sheri Nsamenang (works in Clinical Practice, lots of Hands on Experience)
 - Rachael to get quote
 - If this should fall thru, we can do DIY kit
- If signup numbers are low, we could invite parents from Kanetskre
 - Maybe offer Daycare option

Garden Update (Sarah/Vanessa)

- Grateful for volunteers for cleanup, looks much better now
- Vanessa in contact with Paulo (Horticulturist) to develop a planting plan and prepare quotes
 - How many Quotes are required for Budget submittal. Anything >1500\$ needs 3 Quotes

Playground Update (Rachel)

- Maria shared E-Mail with Nicole Lee
 - Response from Nicole Lee
 - Playstructure is a city owned asset on school property
 - Bars will stay removed until the ground below can be updated
 - Maria will follow up what our options are and what the next steps are
 - What is the timeline for a replacement
 - Who will be responsible for this

English French Program Enrollment Projections

- Don't get numbers until April
- FI assignment is already done; Projected 2.5 classes (50 seats); 59 applicants (9 on waitlist)

Principal Report by Dave Thorne

- Jungle Sport (Feb10-14); class schedule to be posted by end of next week(hopefully every class can get 2 times)
- Dungeons and Dragons after school a huge success (Mme Belforte runs it)
- Crochet club
- High Flyer programs
- Recycling program
- Primary and Junioy Choir every week
- Junior Checkers club
- Glow Girls Grade 3-5, Game On Boys Grade 4/5 (Criteria based student selections)
 - This program is run by Big Brother/Big Sister

Staff Report by Amanda

- BeKind assembly January 31st @9:15
- Intermurals are starting up for round 2
- Restarted Recyling program for Grade 5
- December Mr Popek put on Karaoke
- Making good use of Recess Kit because of time need to spend inside (to cold)
- Very excited about Jungle Sport
- Parent Engagement (hosted today by Mrs Crystal Gailing (reading specialist), low turnout), next Feb 25th @4:30
- Question about scholastic funds

Next Meeting

January February 18th, 2024