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School Council Meeting
September 21st, 2023

In attendance:

Mark Hopkins - Principal
Megan Foster – Teacher Representative
Jennifer Miles – Program Leader for Umbrella Family Daycare (Before and After School)
Paul Hatala
Suzanne Hall
Emanuela Lippa-Crawford
Trish Rayner
Joanna Seymour
Maria Patrinely
Jessica Ducharme
Wendy Mahabir
Christa Jupp
Jun Rabago
Jaia Rabago
Jen Omar
Mike Nafekh
Kham Keochanh
Rani Grant Zahed
Lesley Billingsly
Denise Bazeley
Erin Freeman
Rani Grant Zahed
Kiran Javid
Shiny

Meeting Stated at 6:33pm

1. Land Acknowledgement
 2. Welcome and Introductions
 3. Role of the Council
- Advisory



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- Quorum will be 50%+1
 - o 11

4. Council Elections

- Chair – Paul Hatala
- Secretary – Suzanne Hall
- Treasurer – Kiran Javid
- Voting Members (20)
 - o Paul Hatala
 - o Suzanne Hall
 - o Maria Patrinely
 - o Emanuela Lippa-Crawford
 - o Trish Rayner
 - o Shiny
 - o Joanna Seymour
 - o Jun / Jaia Rabago
 - o Crista Jopp
 - o Kiran Javid
 - o Wendy Mahabir
 - o Lesley Billingsley
 - o Jessica Ducharme
 - o Jen Omar
 - o Mike Nafekh
 - o Kham Keochanh
 - o Rani Grant Zahed
 - o Jennifer Miles (Umbrella)
 - o Karen Small
 - o Elisha Szafran

5. Teacher/Staff Updates

- Megan Foster – Teacher Representative
- Cross Country – Practices are 4x/week
 - o 2x/week for Junior
 - o 2x/week for Intermediate
- Volleyball Starting up
 - o Jr girls
 - o Sr boys
- Lunch monitors have begun (older students helping the younger ones during nutrition breaks)
- Parent encouraged to follow the school somewhere:



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- Website
 - Instagram
 - School messenger
6. Principals Report
- Introductions to Mr. Hopkins
 - Safety Updates
 - Plan of care
 - Routines
 - Buses_– New safety protocols being put in place for the kids, looking for new solutions for drop off and pick up. Expanding the parking lot is a capital project that is funded by the board.
 - Human Rights and School Action Plan
 - Reading
 - Positive culture and wellbeing
 - Math
 - Current Budget
 - Balance \$971.50
 - Who are we
 - What are our values?
 - What do we stand for?
 - What makes this school great?
 - Brainstorm:
 - Paul will send out an email for feedback
7. Engaging the School Community
- Fundraising
 - There is a fundraising plan in place that was built by the council last year
 - What do we want to fundraise for – this will be decided at the next meeting
 - Annual Parent Survey – done every year to make sure the council is acting on behalf of what the school community wants – email to be sent out to parents
8. Future Meeting Dates
- Next meeting will be October 19th, 2023 from 6:30-7:30pm
 - The next dates to be set at the next council meeting

Meeting Adjourned at 7:38pm