

Welcome to MS TEAMS Remote Council Meeting

- Meeting started by Laura Zonta at 7:30pm, October 5, 2021.

Attendance

Those in attendance via MS Teams on October 5, 2021 were:

Katie Ego
Donna Gerritsen
Laura Zonta
Denise Minardi
Alison Mason
Wendy Teed
Sarah Robinson
Nicole Sirotkin
Laura McCannell
Heather Govender
Jennifer Woodfine
Leanna Duncan
Neelan Govender
Stacey Birett

Motion to Approve September Meeting Minutes:

- Motion made by Jennifer Woodfine
- Seconded by Stacey Birett

Constitution Review/Approval

Motion to approve the Millgrove Public School Constitution made by Donna Gerritsen, 2nd by Nicki Sirotkin. All in favour. Motion passed.

Greensville Update – Donna Gerritsen

- First meeting of the year was the previous evening
- Bussing and drop-offs are running smoothly and less chaotic from last spring. Multiple supervisors are outside at that time to help facilitate.
- Water is now potable (sodium had been too high in the past)
- Looking for funds for the music rooms
- Working on a provider for Spirit Wear
- 3-Pitch and Volleyball are up and running for extra-curriculars

Principal's Report

Ms. Minardi - See Attachment

Teacher's Report - Alison Mason

Mrs. DiToro – Kindergarten: We are set up and sharing our learning on the HUB. We continue to work on expectations and getting to know each others likes and needs.

Mrs. Bailey – Kindergarten: Lots of community building. Getting used to the routines. Check out the HUB for lots of activities and learning.

Mrs. Frizell Grade 1: In language, continuing to work on letters and sounds. Continuing to work on numbers to 50 in math and skip counting. In Science starting a unit on living things. Started DRA.

Mrs. May – Grade ½: In language working on making connections and thinking about our reading. In math, numbers to 50 and a patterning test on Friday. iPads arrived, and we are learning how to use them, the HUB and Portfolio. Please send in earphones for the children.

Mrs. Price – Grade 2/3: In Math working on numeration and representing numbers and ordinal problems. Still working on DRA. In science, Grade 2s are working on animal habitats and grade 3s are working on plants and their mini gardens.

Mrs. Dahmer – Grade 3: In Math working on representing numbers to 1000s. Review was sent home and test is on Friday. Completing DRA this week. In literacy, narrative writing, read alouds and focusing on Growth Mindset. Announcements updated every Monday on the HUB.

Mrs. Leach – Grade 4: We had many rich discussions surrounding Orange Shirt Day. We connected our class Land Acknowledgement to the story “We Are Water Protectors” pledging to protect the Earth. In Math working on daily number talks, patterning and place value. DRA has started in language. In Science, working on Habitat projects. Check the HUB for photos and updates.

Mrs. Nedelko – Grade 5: In Math working on decimals to the 100s, representing these in fractional form (using a metre stick as a real life example – standing long jump). Terry Fox Graffiti art last week, “Be Like Terry” character traits. On Orange Shirt Day, connected our Orange Shirt designs to stories “Stolen Words” and “I Am Not A Number”. Math and word study lists are on the HUB. Online “discussion” on the HUB as well. Students put pictures of their work and art in their Portfolios.

French – Ms. MacCuish: Getting settled into routines and have officially started Prof du Jour which was a favourite last year.

Physical Education – Mrs. Mason: Continue to do the Reimaging Wellness Lesson with Grades 1-3 (a great way to get to know the students on a personal level in PE). Focused on learning some Indigenous Games last week. Terry Fox run went well and raised \$2250. Cross Country on Thursday and students have done so well practising. Starting to work on Halloween Dances.

Empower: Well on it's way and additional small groups mainly focused on reading with start later this month. Grades 3-5 have started using Robots again in Learning Commons and are attempting to use coding concepts.

Budget:

- 2 debits were made this month from the account.
- \$792.70 was debited (\$456 was for agendas, \$326.70 carried over into principal's fund (unspent from last year)).
- \$1317.10 was debited for fibar for playgrounds. Tax was \$167.60 of which \$139.75 was rebated.
- Balance is \$440.45
- Expecting approx. \$200 to be required for playground sand and dirt.

- Deposit of approx. \$54 expected from Mabel's Labels

Go For Green: -

- Nothing formal is likely take place this fall. May do another family weekend cleanup again if we cannot do an in-school event.
- Looking to come up with a date and Jackie will do online flyers and we can send stickers home with students in their agendas.

Halloween Dance -

- Denise has made up a flyer with a few spaces for family pledges
- Flyer will be sent home day after Thanksgiving weekend
- Reminder stickers will be sent home in agendas over next two weeks
- A poster will be made up and posted on FB
- Donations over \$50.00 qualify for a tax receipt
- All donations will be made through School Cash Online

Other Discussion Items:

- Laura will touch base about anyone able to help set-up for Halloween Day events and dance (Friday October 29th).
- Movie License – The Millgrove Children's Center will donate the cost of the movie license to the school.
- An update from the Board stated that spectators should be allowed to attend outdoor school events with masks, screening etc. and attendance will need to be registered. Volunteers will also be allowed on school trips (IF) the only way the trip can happen is by having volunteers.
- Mrs Mason is looking at Spirit Wear options, but it will have to be something we pick up ourselves as families as it cannot be brought to school for pick-up.
- Spending requests from the teachers and classrooms should be presented next meeting
- Discuss other fundraising ideas after the Halloween Dance-A-Thon is complete

Next Meeting: Tuesday November 2, 2021 via MS Teams @ 7:30pm