Mount Albion Parent Council Meeting Minutes

September 27, 2018, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Attendees: Judy Davidson (JD), Andrea Daw (AD), Kirsteen Cannell (KC) Victoria Llewellin (VL), Amber Mayne (AM), Raji Mundi (RM), Nicole Busari (NB), Ashley Wilson (AW), Jennifer Scriver (JS), Amanda Gallagher (AG), Alana Duval (ADu), Julie Young (JY), Jannifer Lazarski (JL), Satcey Cameron (SC) and Angela Giardino (AG - Principal)

Regrets:

Call to Order / Introductions

Elections: Results as followed:

- Co-Chair → Amber Mayne & Stacey Cameron
- Treasurer → Amanda Gallagher
- Secretary → Victoria Llewellin

Treasurers Report: estimate \$5000, transferred from last year

Principals Report (Of Note):

- Currently 454 students
- Renovations: currently in the planning stages, possible start date Spring 2019, starting with the removal of the portapak and relocating students to portables, currently 9 portables on the property.
- School improvement program/agenda: currently in the assessment stage will present at the next Parent Council Meeting
- New Playground: has been officially built and ready for playing, a few additional pieces have been ordered but pending install due to the up-coming construction.
- Snack Program: has started, great community support
 - o Donations
 - Presidents Choice: \$10,000
 - Taste Buds: \$7500Walmart: \$1000
- Tech Equipment: 10 new ipads purchased to be shared among grades 4-6, a total of 6/class. Requested the Parent Council consider assigning some of the funds towards tech equipment ie: Laptops/ipads etc.
- EQAO scores: every sector showed improvement
 - o Grade 3 math: 54% increased to 70%
 - Grade 3 reading: 71% increased to 88%
 - Grade 3 writing: 68% increased to 77%
 - o Grade 6 math: 34% increased to 37%
 - Grade 6 reading: 63% increased to 67%
 - Grade 6 writing: 63% increased to 70%
 - Students will receive their individual scores shortly
- New Class:
 - o 2/3 split to be opening Oct 4th, 2018
 - o 4th kindergarten class has already been opened
 - ¾ split class has already been opened

Teachers Report (Of Note):

Sports:

- o Baseball Sr. girls, Sr. boys, Jr. girls and Jr. Boys baseball is currently in their baseball season
- O Capture the Flag for grades 4-8 coming soon
- Volleyball Season –grades 5-8, try out start Sept 28, 2018
- Jr Flag Football Tourney Oct 1, 2018-10-14
- o Transition-Rugby Clinic, Grade7/8: Sept 28, 2018: Saltfleet
- Cross Country grades 3-8 will compete city wide on October 12
- o Swimming will begin in November
- ? Soccer grades 4-8, looking into the possibilities
- Milk and Pizza days will be beginning shortly. Oct 2018
- Super Crawl Fieldtrip, grades 6-8: Sept 14, 2018
- Terry Fox Run: Sept 27, 2018, entire school participation: \$2 donation appreciated
- Orange Shirt Day: Sept 28, 2018: Support for First Nations and Reconciliation
- Meet the Teacher: Oct 4, 2018
 Photo Day: Oct 5, 2018-10-14
 Best Buddies Program: Oct 2018

Community Report (Of note):

- There are 3 classes of before and after school programs. The Heritage Green before and aftercare program runs from 7am 8:40 and 3pm 6pm.
- Currently there are 86 students
- Heritage Green also provides PA day care, Winter Break, March Break and Summer daycare programs
- Availability: before care: 5-10 spots, after care: 2-3 spots
- Heritage Green has been officially informed that they will be running the new day-care that is to be built with the school's up-coming renovations

New Business:

- Music program has requested \$350.00 for a new speaker system: voted and approved
- Request made to Parent Council to consider assigning funds for new sports jerseys, Mr. Ellis will research
 costs etc. and will present case to the council next meeting

Points for Next Meeting:

- Fundraising Ideas: request members of the council brainstorm and bring suggestions to the next meeting
- Explore the option of Mount Albion Spirit Wear

Next Meeting: October 25, 2018 at 6:30 pm.

Adjournment