



Viola Desmond Elementary School Parent Council Meeting Agenda Wednesday October 5th, 2022



Achievement

Engagement

Equity

Item	Discussion	Action
<p>Welcome</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introductions • Land Acknowledgment • Discussion of School Council Role • Results of Election Members: Chair - Laura Neubrand Co - Chair - Amanda Lloyd Secretary - unfilled Treasurer - unfilled <p>In Attendance:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">L. Neubrand, A. Lloyd, J. Welsh, T. Morabito, S. Brason, M. Walker, B. Perry, C. Potter, S. Khan, T. Dhaoui, I. Prostran, R. Downs, K. Rodic, K. Cao, N. Popovic, M. Minic</p>	<p>J. Welsh</p>
<p>Minutes from Last Meeting</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Posted on website. 	
<p>Principal's Report</p>	<p>Nutrition Program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each class is provided with a food bag of healthy snacks every morning. We are asking for volunteers with Police Checks to assist with the program. <p>Growing Student Population at Viola Desmond:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are getting 2 new portables, and opened another FDK class, (FDK 8) on the second floor. • Re-organization puts classes at the proper cap sizes as recommended by the ministry. • 33 of 35 classes were affected by re-organization. • 45 students returned from remote learning and were added to classes. <p>Parking Issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are working with the board to remedy the situation. Very little parking is available on the streets. 	<p>T. Morabito</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only 46 spots are available for 80 staff – which includes the Umbrella After Care staff. <p>Construction Fencing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This (temporary) fencing blocks off the reservoir. We are hoping for permanent fencing to be placed soon. <p>Incident in school, morning of Oct. 5th:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Police were called. Students were brought in early. Mrs. Morabito checked in with every class after the incident to be sure the children felt safe. A communication from the Board will be shared within the next few days. <p>"Kiss and Ride" drop off zone:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The drive leading up to the school has been zoned for Emergency Vehicles only so unfortunately it cannot be used as a Kiss and Ride drop off. 	
<p>School Improvement Plans</p>	<p>Playground:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basketball nets, four squares and bike paths for kinder pen coming soon. <p>Construction Deficiency List:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Many items still need to be addressed. <p>Fundraising Proceeds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funds will be used to enhance the school, purchase technology, possibly painting the "Viper Dome" in the gym. Some money is left over from last year. 	<p>T. Morabito</p>
<p>Fundraising</p>	<p>Fundraising Ideas and Plans:</p> <p>Fundraising - MacMillan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Laura will set up a table at Meet the Teacher night. MacMillan will pre-package orders. Online purchases, option for cash. Order forms will be offered on the school website. Delivery date Dec. 7th. Items must be picked up the same day as delivery. Items can be re-frozen. <p>Pizza Days – every Friday:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proceeds to go towards school trips. Principal requested help from Council for pizza days. <p>Further Ideas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Little Caesar's around Easter. • Spirit Wear • Krispy Kreme donuts. • Kernels – popcorn days, possibly every other week. Popcorn will be purchased for students on occasion. 	<p>L. Neubrand</p> <p>T. Morabito</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Freezies to be sold in May and June. 	
Meeting Dates and Times	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> November 30, 2022 March 1, 2023 May 31, 2023 	
Next Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> November 30, 2023 	
Agenda for Next Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TBD 	Agenda items must be forwarded to the office one week prior to the meeting date.

All are welcome to attend! Thank you for supporting our school!