
Joey Moss School Council AGM

Tuesday, 10.10.2023

Joey Moss School, 1905 182 Street, Edmonton, Alberta

School Library

Call to order – By Lauren at 6:01 p.m.

Attendees

Lauren Canniff (Chair)

Kelly Lester (Vice Chair)

Parents: Raheem Suleman, Priya Patel, Jennifer Pandola, Troy Miller, Tarra Schmidt, Kira Groves, Sue Davies, Megan Davey, Hope Earl, Caitlin Congdon, Brandy McCooly, Katrina Meidinger

Staff: Colleen Marshall, Christy Prowse, Jessica Carr.

Agenda

Review Agenda

Approve the minutes from September 12th

- Motion by Troy Miller, seconded by Raheem Suleman, passed with no objection.

Teacher Presentation – Jessica Carr

The speaker introduced herself and her role as a mental health support provider.

She highlighted her **role's** key aspects:

- Academic, Social, and Emotional Support: Ms. Carr supports students in their academic, social, and emotional growth..

Four Main Areas of Focus:

- Collaboration: Ms. Carr collaborates with teachers, administrators, staff, and families to provide social, personal, and academic support to students. They work together to address students' diverse needs.
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- Counseling: Ms. Carr provides universal support for the entire school and one-on-one and small-group support for students needing extra assistance. She also handles emergency interventions for high-risk students.
- Building Trust and Relationships: Building trust and maintaining confidentiality are crucial for her role. She aims to establish safe and inclusive relationships with staff, students, and families.
- Coordination: Ms. Carr coordinates referrals and connects students and families with community support outside the school when needed.

Her working Schedule: She works part-time, primarily on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Her work includes both junior high and elementary school counseling.

Referral Process

- Teachers, administrators, and staff can identify students in need of support.
- Teachers complete a referral form that is sent directly to Ms. Carr.

Counseling Activities & Questions

- A question was asked about the process for students to see the counselor. Ms. Carr clarified that students do not have to give a reason to their teacher but can provide one if they wish. Teachers send an email to request a meeting.

School Report – Colleen Marshall & Christy Prowse

Introduction

- The meeting began with expressions of gratitude for the support of parents and students.
- The principal mentioned how wonderful the school year had started and how much they appreciated the energy and positivity brought by the students.
- Mentioned that the student council had a positive meeting discussing various activities and projects.

Student Council Initiatives

- The student council organized a gently used winter clothing drive to help students in need, encouraging donations of jackets, snow pants, mitts, scarves, etc.
- A new club called the Game Squad started, promoting community-building within the school by teaching low-to-no equipment recess games.

Upcoming Events

- Learning Conferences scheduled from the 24th to the 26th of October, and parents were encouraged to attend with their children to discuss their progress.
- Learning Conferences will coincide with a Book Fair.
- Guidelines for Halloween Party on SchoolZone.

Healthy Hunger Lunch: October 27, 2023

- We are having food from Booster Juice, Shumka (Ukrainian foods), and Taste Buds
- Volunteers were still needed for various school activities, including hot lunches and parking patrol.

Review of Annual Report

In this conversation snippet, Lauren highlighted some School Council activities from the previous school year. She mentioned that it was a big year because the council was brand new, and they had to start various initiatives like email and a website. They tried to connect with people at conferences. The full report will be available at joeymossschoolcouncil.com.

Operational Procedures Vote

- A motion to approve the operational procedures was made by Megan Davey and seconded by Troy Miller.
- Vote in favor of approving the operational procedures was unanimous, no opposition.

Plans proposed for the upcoming year

Budget Discussion

- Projected expenses higher than last year due to increase in school population.
- A reference was made to a potential party that could be organized for \$1,000, considering the larger number of students.
- Refreshments at conferences discussed, but no request for funding for the October conferences. Refreshments last year were not paid for by the fundraising society.

Executive Elections

Chair Position

- Lauren Canniff volunteered for the role.
- Lauren Canniff will continue for a second term as chair, by acclamation

Vice-Chair Position

- Kelly Lester expressed her interest in the vice-chair role and provided her background and experience.
- Kelly Lester will continue for a second term as chair, by acclamation

Secretary Position

- The secretary position was declared open as the current secretary could not attend the meeting and did not intend to run again. Attendees were invited to consider the position, and Hope Earl volunteered.
- Hope Earl will assume the role of secretary, in by acclamation

Other Business/Open Discussion

This conversation concluded with discussions about traffic, parking, and volunteer opportunities. Attendees expressed concern about safety and parking issues around the school, especially during busy times.

Adjourn

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm by Raheem Suleman, and seconded by Kira Groves.