

Admiral's Academy

School Council Meeting

Wednesday, 11.09.2022

Attendees

| Names | Representing | Present | Regrets |
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| John Barrington | Admiral's Academy | X | |
| Shane Fitzgerald | Admiral's Academy | X | |
| Chris Miller | Admiral's Academy | | X |
| Valerie Ryan | Admiral's Academy | X | |
| Adam Warren | Admiral's Academy | X | |
| Christa Carleton | Parents | X | |
| Melissa Hudson | Parents | | X |
| Kerry Martin | Parents | X | |
| Andrew Mouland | Parents | X | |
| Kristopher Viens | Parents | X | |

Meeting Minutes:

Welcome and Intro:

New roles: Kris as Chair, Christa as Records/Minutes (Kris/John)

Agreement of previous minutes: (Kris)

- Accepted

New Business

1. School Update: General Activities/School Development (John/Val)

- Remembrance Assembly: Thursday, Nov 10 (third of the year) led by Mr. Miller and the grade 6 classes.
- Term One Reports: Tuesday, Nov 29
- PL Day: Monday, Nov 14 - ½ day for teacher PL (self-directed around growth plans and ½ report card writing 5 PL days/year).
- November is Fall Reading Challenge

- Wordy Wednesdays: mix up a word, class's guess, define and put in a sentence and walk answers back to the office.
- Janeway Jamarama raised \$456.
- Christmas Sharing Fundraising – donations (gift cards or money) Ms. Greely to put a tree up in the lobby during parent teacher night (gift cards or gifts welcomed).
- Book Fair: Nov 25 – Dec 1 (Scholastic) hosted in LLC – students can bring money to purchase a book and other items.
- Grade 6 needles

2. Update on Playground (John)


- Swings – (22 week lead time expected delivery in October) – delayed until March due to supply chain issues.
- Kindergarten area – wire wheel spools were added but needed to be removed due to poor condition (consider a way to permanently attach to the playground in the future).
- Playground issue – used by the community and people are not picking up after their dogs. A friendly reminder was sent out to parents. May consider signage to encourage clean up. The school does not want to lock the gates as other groups in the community use the area.
- Outdoor classroom – discussions are ongoing following a visit to Colliers (wooded natural forest environment). Conversations with John Hannon from facilities confirmed a gated fence to outside our grounds is not an option. Consider adding something down by the Kindergarten planters, moving large rocks from the front (town has agreed to support).

3. Fundraising Discussion (John/all)

- Chrome books – still awaiting delivery (supply chain issue).
- Discussions with IT confirmed that the only other option to Chrome books would be a standard PC desktop.
- Further fundraising discussions will be held until the New Year.
- Teachers Appreciation Day: Mind February (parent members to regroup separately).

4. Christmas Concert (Kris)

- Grade 2 and 3 matinee and evening concert: December 13th (alternate date: Dec 14th).
- Preliminary conversations about tickets for the evening program (3-4/tickets made available/per family at a cost of \$5/ticket).
- Matinee program will welcome families including those with younger children encouraged to attend.
- Money raised will be used for the music program (mechanically raised screen for assemblies, headset headphones, other).
- Mr. Barrington will communicate with families once details are confirmed

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- Other concerts in 2023 - spring grade 4 and 5 in March around NL heritage, Kindergarten/grade one details to come.

Other Items for Discussion: (all)

- None

Roundtable: (all)

- Pre-K pilot program – only two pilots currently running Elizabeth Park and East Point. A room is available but waiting for an update. Note: program will operate independently of AA (hours, lunch, dedicated phone line, etc.).
- Basketball programs for grade 4 and up? Currently there is an after school program co-curricular managed by two moms and a support group for grade 6 girls volleyball grade 6 girls basketball.
- Mr. Warren coaches' grade 6 boys grade 5 boys basketball.
- If someone wants to run a program, the gym is free, RNC checks are required and a letter can be provided to waive RNC check costs.
- Kerry talked to Mr. Barrington about baseball in the spring.
- Heather Ivy – in the fall track was offered for grade 4-7 in Bowring Park. Ms. Ryan has met to discuss track for grade 4 & 5 to start– one morning a week – drop off early to get a run and exercise before school. Special events (Trackfest) planned for the spring. Program will start in the next couple of weeks and run until the Spring.

Next Meeting – Wednesday December 14th @ 3:45

Next meeting will circulate email asking for agenda items on/around Dec 7th and agenda to follow by Dec.12