

CORNELL VILLAGE PUBLIC SCHOOL

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SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Monday December 2, 2024

6:00 pm – 7:30 pm, School Staff Room

1) *Land Acknowledgment (1 min)*

Heather

2) *Welcome & Attendance (1 min)*

Haafid

Name	Name	Name
Sarah M – Yes	Sarah Y – Yes	Soma – No
Karen B – Yes	Karen K – Yes	Chen – No
Sam – No	Ashley – Yes	Apurva – No
Chaithali – No	Wendy – Yes (virtual)	Shilpa – Yes
Niro – Yes	Sabina – Yes	Kelly – No
Haafid – Yes	Tahir – Yes (virtual)	Vibianna – Yes
Joanne Trim – Yes	Heather Purcell – Yes	Jessica Kennedy – Yes

3) *Student Council Report*

Summer/Kian

- a. Volleyball intramurals starting
- b. Candy gram sales taking place before the winter break; will also be a spirit week
- c. November MOGA event took place during November assembly
- d. December MOGA event coming on the last day before winter break with refreshments

4) *Acceptance of November Meeting Minutes*

Accepted by Vibianna, seconded by Karen K, all in favour

5) *Acceptance of November Meeting Agenda*

Accepted by Karen B, seconded by Sarah Y, all in favour

6) *School Report*

Heather

- a. Staff appreciation treats during the Friday parent/teacher interviews were very much appreciated.
- b. Movie night was very successful.
- c. Author visit by Sita Jit.
- d. Secret Spirit Days organized by staff – athletic jerseys, plaid, etc. keeps things fun and keeps kids motivated
- e. Eco-Team Healthy Schools Farm to Table fundraiser raised \$342.80. Next up – walk to school initiative with hot chocolate. Proposing Thursday December 19 in the morning.
- f. New Clubs – Pokemon, Coding, Quiet, Kindness
- g. Clothing drive underway. Food drive (pantry) coming. Admin asking Council to brainstorm ways we can support the school in launching/implementing these drives.
- h. Currently the school operates a breakfast program with fresh fruit, cheese, etc. where bins of food are available in the office conference room and delivered to school classrooms.

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7) Committee Updates/Discussions (60 mins)

All

Reminder: Council members are required to join 2 committees. All members are part of the Fundraising committee and should sign up for at least one additional committee. **ACTION: If you haven't signed up for a committee, please let us know which committee you are joining at the next meeting.**

a. Fundraising

- Spirit Wear
 - Request from Niro to keep prices/vendors the same for existing items; all voted in favour
 - Beanie option to be added; adult and youth sizes; include a fold
 - Include messaging that says Spirit Wear is also available for anyone – please reach out to the office if you need financial assistance
 - Timing: on SCO this week until winter break (when orders close)
 - Donations of gently used Spirit Wear always welcome; could be part of Clothing Drive/Swap
- Donation Letter
 - Big areas typically requested
 - This time, let's ask for the literacy, arts, and physical education programs.
 - Letter to be sent out before the holidays – standalone ask.
 - **ACTION: Sarah M to work with Admin on the letter.**

b. Communications

- Shared Council/School calendar to be set up
 - **ACTION: Shilpa to create shared calendar of events with school dates and adding in our Council events**
- Committee members: Sarah M, Sarah Y, Karen B, Karen K, Shilpa

c. Parent Engagement

- Sabina/Wendy to connect re. reaching out to parents who indicated interest in volunteering in the engagement survey
- Council Corner in Cobra News is where we can include write ups for parents
- Other engagement activities being considered for 2025, including a potential Math Curriculum Night and Approach to Literacy Night.
- Timing TBD: proposing February
- **ACTION: Heather/Joanne to make call for volunteers**
- Committee members: Sabina, Ashley, Tahir, Wendy

d. Staff Appreciation

- Thank you to everyone who assisted and donated for the November PA Day treats.
- Next appreciation dates: to be reported back at the next meeting.
- Calendar of appreciation dates to be communicated and potentially shared with parents
- **ACTION: Write up to be included in a Cobra News to share what we did in November on behalf of all parents/guardians, and to email Council if they want to get involved with future staff appreciation activities.**
- Committee members: Chaithali, Ashley, Vibianna

e. Constitution

- No update in this meeting
- Expect a review in the new year – due end of January
- Committee members: Wendy, Haafid, Niro

f. Lunch Program

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- Duties include admin (vendor orders, co-ordinating SCO updates with Anji) and on-site distribution
- Status quo for Term 3 is the recommendation
- Swiss Chalet not interested in supporting our lunch program within our pricing
- ACTION: lunch committee to get access to calendar and pricing from vendors to validate all SCO entries
- Committee members: Karen K, Karen B, Sarah Y, Sarah M (plus non-Committee members Kelly, Wing, Amanda, Wendy)

9) Treasurer's Report 2023/2024 (5 mins)

Niro

- a. Niro circulated the latest report
- b. Movie Night took a loss (due to movie licenses) but once we add another Movie Night, we should recover costs and turn a profit.
- c. Lunch programs are doing well from a profit perspective – Subway and Reginos Pizza do best
- d. Requests for funds from Admin:
 - Cost sharing is being offered by the Board for technology.
 - If we invest \$4,425 (in Chromebooks and iPads), the Board will match.
 - All voted in favour.
 - Borrow-A-Book Program
 - Take-home books. Decodable.
 - \$4,000 being requested.
 - All voted in favour.

10) New Business (10 mins)

All

- a. Meeting dates/times for 2025
 - Council requested later meeting times – 6:30 pm.
 - Dates: Mondays – January 13, February 3, April 7, May 5, June 2 (+social)

11) Motion to end Meeting (1 min)

Haafid

- a. Accepted by Niro; Seconded by Sabina

Upcoming Events:

Dec 11 Kindergarten and Primary Winter Concerts
Dec 12 Strings Showcase Grades 4-8

Upcoming Meeting Dates:

Jan 13, Feb 3, Apr 7, May 5, June 2