

# CORNELL VILLAGE PUBLIC SCHOOL

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## SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Monday January 15, 2024

6:30 pm – 8:00pm, School Staff Room

- 1) *Land Acknowledgment (2 mins)* Heather  
2) *Welcome & Attendance (1 min)* Wendy

Name	Attendance	Voting Member	Name	Attendance	Voting Member
Niro	Y	Y	Sarah M	Y	Y
Karen B	Y	Y	Haafid	N	Y
Amanda	Y	Y	Karen K	Y	Y
Sarah Y	Y	Y	Kelly	N	Y
Sabina	Y	Y	Chayya	N	Y
Wendy	Y	Y	Cheyenne	N	Y
Sam	Y	Y	Ashley	Y	Y
Chaitali	N	Y	Joanne Trim	Y	N/A
Priyanka	N	Y	Jessica Kennedy	Y	N/A
Heather Purcell	Y	N/A			

- 3) *Overview & Acceptance of Meeting Agenda* Wendy  
Accepted by Karen B, Seconded by Sabina
- 4) *Acceptance of November Meeting Minutes* Wendy  
Accepted by Sarah Y, Seconded by Sabina
- 5) *School Report* Heather
- a. *Student Council*
    - o *Candy Grams a huge hit!*
    - o *Organized a dance in December*
    - o *Starting an Equity Sub-Committee*
  - b. *Superintendent Visit and Check-In for School Planning (using voices from students, staff, etc.)*
  - c. *Progress Reports/Interviews took place*
  - d. *Audition for Willy Wonka Musical complete – show coming April 24*
  - e. *Winter Concerts were well attended and a hit! Choir is growing in attendance.*
  - f. *Walking Wednesday very successful – thanks to Council for helping out!*
  - g. *Dental screenings took place.*
  - h. *Big Box Fundraiser underway – cash acceptable.*
  - i. *Community Partnership Grant received – 5K. Randell Adjel – poet laureate coming to the school to do 4 workshops with grades 6-8.*
  - j. *Unlearn package purchased for grades 4-6. In these sessions, participants will be taken on an in-depth journey through the concept of “unlearning” by examining our unconscious biases, beliefs, and conditioning.*
- 6) *New Business* All
- a. *Niro – Spirit Wear*
    - o *Pricing/vendor options ready to go*
    - o *Timing:*
      - o *Adding to School Cash Online by Jan 19 and including in Cobra News*

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- Open Monday Jan 22 for purchase until Feb 5
  - Delivery of orders expected by Friday March 8
  - Additional orders to be purchased by Council using Council funds (order what is most popular based on orders plus kindergarten sizes) for sale at beginning of next school year
- b. Wendy – Jan Jang Recap
- Discussed at December Committee planning meeting; good for parent engagement night as an option to entertain the kids; handing over to Parent Engagement Committee to determine next steps
- c. Wendy – Motion to Move February 5th Council Meeting Date
- Proposing Tues Feb 13 (cancel Feb 5 and Mar 4)
  - Circulating google form to confirm Council agreement/availability
- d. Wendy – Last year’s funding allotment
- We have allocated 2022/2023 Council funds to support the purchase of four classroom ceiling mounted projectors. Council voted in favour (via email) of giving \$8060.72.

## 7) Committee Updates/Discussions

All

- a. Wendy - Calendar review
- i. Big Box ends Jan 29
  - ii. Spirit Wear Feb
  - iii. Movie Night March 6
  - iv. Musical April 24
  - v. Love Gelato Mid May (before long weekend)
  - vi. Fun Fair/Silent Auction June 12
- b. Communications
- i. Accessible Council Meetings – Sarah M/Karen B/Sarah Y to meet
    - Virtual option for guests (listening only) to be considered
    - Council members to attend in person (for this year at least)
    - Meet/greet for parents to be considered for the spring
  - ii. School Council Email Account Update
    - New email address: [cornell.village.ps@sc.yrdsb.ca](mailto:cornell.village.ps@sc.yrdsb.ca)
    - Include in Cobra News
    - Wendy monitoring (thank you Wendy!)
- c. Parent Engagement
- i. Survey results
    1. 3 responses to date; Joanne adding teacher name and sending out again
    2. Council spent some time talking about how to improve survey response rates

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3. Proxy vote held and all three topics were of interest (math at home, literacy at home, internet safety)
4. Math at home could be presented soon; Scott Chin and/or Wendy could facilitate; option is movie night if Mr. Chin is available - TBC
5. Paul Davis (internet safety) is not available for the balance of the school year but could be booked for next year; Council voted in favour of supporting internet safety presentation in the fall; Joanne to book

d. Staff Appreciation

- i. To be discussed at the next meeting

e. Sustainability

i. Spirit Wear Return Program

1. Families can return gently used CVPS Spirit Wear for a sustainability rebate (\$5 per item, cash, from the office)
2. Karen B will post to FB and School Admin will include in Cobra News – timing TBC
3. Gently Used Items to be sold in the future at Council Events

ii. Writing Instrument Recycling Program

1. Boxes ready to go; Karen B to take a pic and post to FB; Jessica Kennedy to inform staff

f. Fundraising

i. Movie Night March 6

1. Wendy will circulate sign up sheet and 3 movie options
2. Students will vote on the movie (from 3 options)
3. Wendy will purchase juice boxes, halal sour key gummies
4. School Admin to purchase popcorn, Wendy will provide quantities

ii. Lunch Program Update

1. Parents are suggesting other food options
2. Swiss Chalet might be an option – Karen B investigating
  - a. Quarter chicken – with 3 side options (fries, baked potato, veggies)
  - b. Sandwich
  - c. Chicken fingers
  - d. Veggie burger option

8) Treasurer's Report (5 mins)

Niro

Niro will circulate the latest report to the Council.

9) Motion to end Meeting (1 min)

Wendy

Motioned by Karen K; Seconded by Karen B

**Upcoming Events:**

Feb 1 Grade 8 Graduation Photos  
Feb 2 PA Day  
Mar 6 Movie Night

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Apr 24 Willy Wonka Musical  
June 12 Fun Fair  
June 20 Grade 8 Graduation

*Meeting Dates (Mondays @ 6:30-8pm):*  
February 5, March 4, April 8, May 6, June 3