# **Forest Run**



# SCHOOL COUNCIL MINUTES

DATE: February 12th, 2024

IN ATTENDANCE: (Legend - I/P  $\rightarrow$  in person, V/phone  $\rightarrow$  virtual or phone, A  $\rightarrow$  absent)

Joanne Frank (I/P, Principal), Brett Mclean(A, Vice Principal), Tammy Darakshanian (I/P, Teacher)

#### Council Members IN ATTENDANCE:

Sefi Chassid (A), Brenda Budd (I/P), Amanda Morra (IA), Phalguni Adalja (I/P), Leila Hossini (I/P), Etti Abramov (I/P), Rebekah Yasskin (I/P), Faranak Khani (I/P), Jessica Fantauzzi (A), Shira Zyskrot (A), Nitzan Edelman (I/P), Robyn Shapiro (I/P),

#### Others IN ATTENDANCE:

Jennifer Wilson (I/P) - Kids Come First

Meeting begins at: 7:02

## Welcome, Norms and Passing of Minutes from last Meeting

• Meeting Norms:

Stay Engaged, Experience Discomfort, Speak Your Truth, Expect/Accept Non-closure

- Land Acknowledgement
   -broken down version for teaching
- -Acceptance of minutes: first by Etti, second Faranak and Brenda

#### **Administrator's Report** 7:09

- Last month Grade 6-8 participated on Tour for Humanity

   focus on Holocaust education (brokedown what led to WWII and what happened in non-graphic way)
- Taibu (community organization that supports the learning we are doing and Black children and youth)
  - -focus on bullying and how to recognize and deal with bullying on day one; Day two focused on racism and microaggressions and the power and impact of words

- Grade 4-6 learning about digital citizenship
- Black History month assembly in April with Saidat (in addition to 10 video lessons)
- X-Movement
  - -going forward with X world
  - -coming for the last week in March with parent engagement potentially March 28th
  - -haven't applied for PRO (Parents Reaching Out) Grant for this yet
    - -brought the cost down to \$3000 + HST including parent engagement
    - -Vote to put forward application for PRO Grant
      - -Jessica first motion; Phalguni second the motion
      - -next step is to complete application
- New Language curriculum
  - -in past four strands were reported on in report cards
  - -shift has occurred from four strands to one overall grade/mark
  - -teachers will reflect the most recent assessment of the four strands
  - -all learning and conversations will be reflected in the grade/mark
- School Photography
  - -if there are any outstanding issues then the vendor will assist in any way possible
  - -overall kids and school was happy
- PLAY program
  - -All school event
  - -ways to get active and training (½ day by public health nurse) grade 6 and 7 students to become leaders
  - -conflict resolution and problem solving leaders for K-3 students
  - -hopefully in place for after March break

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# School Council Report 7:48

- Terra Cotta Cookie Sale
  - -March 7th pick up
- Bingo Night
  - -February 29th
- Art Cards
  - -starting in March 18-28 complete artwork by beginning of April

April 2 confirm lists at school; April 13-15 online April 16-22 sample cards April 29-May 12 sample goes home and order online

- Talent Show
  - -got the April 30th permit
  - -auditions: during school hours is better; can include an after school option
    - -aiming for week of March 18th
    - -practices: could one run through be observed in front of classes (question from staff)
- Fun Fair
  - -gift baskets---> tell the themes and collect in May 1st to May 17th
    - -possibly display in Library
  - -Robyn reaching out to Magen Boys
    - -forgot swag last year
    - -offering \$950 + tax (DJ, Emcee and Dancer plus variety swag)
- Cultural Heritage Night planning (Thursday May 23rd)
  - -staff involvement and put out request to join committee
  - -committee (Etti, Shira?, Sefi, Leila, Faranak, Phalguni, Jennifer from KCF)
  - -date to start conversation: 4:30 February 26th with possible consultant (virtual)
    - -see about staff
  - -Jennifer from Kids Come First became a member at large

# Treasurer's Report 7:31

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-still have \$1000 put aside for library books

balance \$2658

## Other Business

Next School Council Meeting: April 11, 2024

Meeting adjourned at: 8:45