

Mount Albert School Council Minutes

October 19, 2021

7:00 pm

Agenda:

- Land Acknowledgement
- Administrator's Report
- Budget Update
- School Council Forum
- Policy review
- New Business
- Fundraising

Present: Susan Durfy, Karen Mahoney, Kim Brillinger, Crystal Capalbo, Sonia Carlen, Meredith Clubine, Howard Higgs, Paula Man, Stephanie Turley, Ashley Valentini

Item	Notes
Land Acknowledgement	- Susan shared the land acknowledgment.
Admin Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- School Council Forum will be on November 8th. Virtual meeting link will be shared closer to the date. All welcome to attend.- Memo received today that school photos will be permitted. No class photos, but individual photos will be taken.- New Junior French Teacher is Elleni Asimakis- ADHD awareness month, Islamic Heritage Month, LGBTQ2+ Awareness
Budget	<p>Current Balance: \$8701.31</p> <p>Requests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Library request from Mrs. McMorine <p>What will funds be used for?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• To purchase the books for the 2022 Forest of Reading Book Clubs• To update the collection with more current, inclusive books that reflect the changing community of our school• To replace regular collection books lost during the pandemic <p>Forest of Reading Book Clubs: \$986.97 Updating the picture book/novel selections: \$260 Replacement of books lost due to the pandemic and to add the latest books in popular series: \$300 Total Request: \$1546.97</p> <p>Motion to accept: Sonia All in favour</p>

	<p>- School request: \$500 for playground inspection and repairs (if needed) Motion to accept: Meredith All in favour</p> <p>Total request approved: \$2046.97</p>
Policy Review	<p>- All school councils have been asked to participate in the review process for policies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • #238.0, Parent, Family and Community Engagement • #262.0, School Councils <p>Purpose: To provide an opportunity for individual school councils to share feedback on two policies using a survey.</p> <p>- Viewed Video together as a council https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mE65dwuUtn0&t=5s</p> <p>- Google survey to be submitted from council as a whole for each policy</p> <p>- Homework: Read over both policies and send comments/suggestions to Sonia by October 26th and she will complete and submit Google forms on our behalf.</p>
Fundraising	<p>Spirit Wear:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Spirit wear website is now open until November 13th - Suggestion made to re-open again in the new year and include graduation hoodies <p>Recipes in a Jar:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ran last year and fairly successful - Jars sent directly to homes. Free shipping if certain # of jars ordered - Paula to contact company to inquire about running fundraiser again this year
New Business/ Q&A	<p>Halloween:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Will students be allowed to wear their costumes to school? Orange/black or fall colours? - Susan to discuss with staff and let the community know. - Could each class decorate a pumpkin? Decorate classroom doors? - Ashley to look into getting pumpkins donated and delivered to school from a local farm. <p>Food Drive:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Thinking ahead to holiday food/toy drive

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Mrs. McMorine is currently accepting food bank donations to clear library fines. <p>Spirit Week</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- As in previous years, spirit week will once again be held this year. More details to follow.
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Next Meeting: November 16, 2021 at 7:00pm on Google Meet