

## **IN PERSON AND ONLINE PARK AVENUE COUNCIL MEETING**

**Thursday October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**7:00pm**

### **In attendance:**

Kevin Lillico	Meaghan Potts	Win Combaluzier
Robyn Pisano	Katie Cook	Chris Weston
Shauna Wenzel	Alanna Oddleifson	Aaron Noordhuis
Ashely Warner		

### **On-line attendance:**

Natasha Arczewski	Ashley Queiser
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### **Regrets**

Allison Gold  
Kris Maye  
Leslie Santorelli  
Michelle Puddy  
Jess Krystal  
Robyn Francis

### **Teacher Representative**

No Representative

### **Administration**

Crystal Mott  
Gillian Cousineau

## **ITEMS**

### **Welcome**

- Land Acknowledgement
- Norms based off of last years feedback - review
- Connection Activity

### **Chair Report and Update**

- On-line Surveys when necessary (for council to review items in between meetings) – voted yes
- A “due date” will be used to keep things moving forward (to account for no responses)
- Constitution Changes
  - o Virtual meetings will be used for weather or other meeting interruptions
  - o New voting members will be able to join post first school year meeting
  - o They will have to attend at least one meeting in the school year and at the second meeting the person may be voted in by current voting members
- Minutes will be approved prior to next meeting, via e-mail, however will still be reviewed in person
- Minutes and agenda will be posted on school website – voted yes
- Time limits will not be placed on agenda topics – voted yes
- Fall fundraiser was a big success
- Fundraising profit numbers will be shared with school council via e-mail, and then posted in the Park Post for the school community

- Holiday Décor Fundraiser – voted yes
- Pro Grant available, up to \$800.00 per school, can join another local school or more to increase available funds
  - o Subcommittee work opportunity to be considered

### **Treasurer's Report**

- \$18 042.00 is our current balance
- Money used for fall fundraiser has not been taken out as of yet

### **Administration Report**

- No teacher representative this evening
- Youth S.P.A.C.E. is a new program working with Grades 6,7, and 8 leaders, to help promote student mental health
- Students will receive training on self-esteem, anxiety, and mental health
- Watch YRDSB video on Youth S.P.A.C.E.
- Review most recent EQAO data (this information is available online)
- School generally happy about the results from students, and currently looking at areas of further improvement
- Staff and members of the Council attended a YRDSB Forum
- This forum covered the following topics
  - o Vaping, was a slight issue with Park, however not of concern at this time. School will be focusing on educating students on this topic
  - o Stress in Children; their perception is their reality
  - o Racism; Data shows that black youth are the most targeted
  - o Supporting School Attendance
  - o Fundraising – proper allocation of monies
  - o Travel – active school travel (walking, biking etc) some schools are piloting “Walking Wednesdays”
- Boys volleyball, won 4 games yesterday
- Girls volleyball, will be going to Provincials tomorrow in Halton
- Poke-mon Club still going strong
- Thinking of doing a walking challenge during recess – still in the planning stage
- Parent Idea – what about weekly obstacle courses for kids, and older students
- Halloween
  - o Each class will be decorating a pumpkin (thank you to Aaron Noordhuis for pumpkins)
  - o No Parade
  - o Scare Crow Invasion activity planned for students
- Bookfair will be the week of November 13<sup>th</sup>
- Two tables and benches are to be installed, date unknown at this time
- Students grades 3-8 will be asked for their input for the next piece of school yard equipment to be installed

### **Subcommittee Work Time**

- Notes were not taken at this time

**End at 9:10 pm**

**Next meeting; Thursday November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023**