



Dr. Freda Miller School Council

Meeting Minutes

January 18th, 2024

1. Call Meeting to Order 6:47pm

Welcome and Land Acknowledgement

2. Approval of Minutes- Motion: Liz

3. Approval of Agenda- Motion: Shannon

4. New Introductions-

5. School Report

a. Teacher Presentation- Grade 4 - staff spoke about story writing, expository writing, word work, math talk & working with larger numbers, science, social studies & the land, and what that looks like for our students.

6. School Administration Report

- a. Report Card Format & Kindergarten Outcomes - This year will be more concise (5-7 bullets on strengths and 2-3 areas of growth. A part of an ongoing communication between teachers, parents and students to improve student learning - utilizing the most current evidence (1-not meeting, 2-basic, 3-good, 4-excellent) - Kindergarten outcomes literacy and math only
- b. New Curriculum (K-3 Science, Expanded 4-6 ELAL, Expanded 4-6 Math)
- c. Learn Alberta Site - what your child is learning and the outcomes expected to be taught
- d. Staffing - up to 500 children enrolled, new hire 1.0 FTE Intervention support for gr 1,3,4,5, 0.4 FTE (2 days/wk) intervention support gr 2 until spring break, 3 new lunchroom supervisors (total 8)
- e. Student Teachers from Mt Royal - 8 in total (2 in each gr. 1,3,4,5) - Start of Feb they will conduct 100% of lessons w guidance of mentors

7. Chair Report

- a. Key communicator report - Saheedat nil to report
- b. Social Media Guidelines/Report – request remains to fill the social media role remains open - no interest at this time
- c. School Council grant – potential for Paul Davis?
 - Cannot attend until September 2024
 - Would need to book with Evergreen School





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- Other ideas? - look at what other schools are doing and reconnect at next meeting

d. Operations report

- Event planning
 - Sports day planning (with alternate plans for indoor if needed)
 - Diversity day
 - Spirit week (sports team day, crazy hair day etc)
 - Science fair for spring conferences? n/a
- volunteer details survey - sent out this week (9 responses so far)
 - have we all filled out the annual volunteer form/parent survey? - clearance one time as a guest speaker
- dance planning for May and October
 - Committee members - to connect prior to next meeting via email
 - Action items: book dj - dates potential May 2 May 9 - Jen to connect with dj and advise if available and if so book permits for gym
- fun lunch
 - any feedback - food was delivered in one not two deliveries, some people were upset with quality and portion size, feedback to be provided to Boston Pizza
 - re-examine draws

8. Old Business

a. Field Studies

- 2024 progress update - volunteers starting to come through to allow grades to be able to have the required support to have a field study, busing availability - teachers are looking at options
- Family Literacy week next week FEB - Kindness Month (random acts of kindness), Pink Shirt Day, March - Alien Inline, April - Evergreen Theatre, May - Sports Day? / Dance, June - Grade 5 Celebration, Book Fair @ Spring Conference - teacher wish list

b. Community engagement/ SC board position elections (June 2024)

- Summer working groups for back to school events, mixers etc - getting an earlier start and being able to provide events sooner in the year with planning over the summer months with committees already in place
- Establishing fun lunches for 24/25





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- c. Upcoming meeting dates: Feb 22, No meeting in March, April 11, May 9 and June 6 (potential school council board elections and plans for fall 2024 complete by June meeting)
9. **Next meeting Date:** Jan 18th, 6:30 pm
Adjourn Meeting 7:26 pm

