

EZ Parent Council Meeting

January 25, 2021 – 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. via Video Call

Attendance

Voting Council Members

1. Joanna Thiessen
2. Corrie Ballantyne
3. Ryan Gulka
4. Meaghan Gibbons
5. Jen Topham
6. Leslie Nanibush
7. Carole Boucher
8. Heather Sequeira

Non-voting Council Members and Guests

1. Sarah MacNeill (Principal)
2. Rob MacQueen (Vice Principal)
3. Robyn Beresford

1. Welcome

2. Review of Minutes from Previous Meeting

Motion to approve December minutes – moved by Carole, seconded by Heather voted all in favour by voting members

Motion to approve January agenda – moved by Leslie seconded by Carole, voted all in favour by voting members

3. Finance Update

Flip Give is only ongoing fundraiser.

Still waiting on the HST rebate from the playground – likely in the \$4000-ish range. Details to come next meeting.

4. School update on outdoor learning - update on spending (\$200 per teacher)

TBD due to students not being in school currently ☹️

5. PIC Grant discussion

Jola and Nathan applied for a grant through TD for a new outdoor learning space – location TBD.

Meaghan brainstorming ideas for the PIC grant – training for outdoor ed for teachers? **Sara to reach out to Rebecca Seiling to get a quote.** Wondering if there are any PD days coming up later this school year.

6. WRAPSC Update

Meaghan has offered to be our WRAPSC rep (thanks Meaghan!!)

7.Vice Principal/Principal report (Sara MacNeill, Rob MacQueen)

The teachers are doing an amazing job with the online learning!! Everyone doing the best they can with these unchartered waters. Kudos to all the parents as well 😊

Over 90 chromebooks have been given out to families to help with online learning.

Everyone coming together, such a strong school community.

Some EZ families are really struggling. Sara mentioned that if we could do the gift card thing again like we did last Spring, that would be great. Maybe through the parent FB page. Groceries/food – the basic stuff. Also nutrition for learning has started up again and once per week they are coming to EZ to give out snacks. **Sara can send something out on School Day as a reminder. Corrie will put a post on EZ parent FB and will coordinate with Sara to get the gift cards to those who need it.**

Motion to approve a gift card fundraiser using our social media accounts - moved by Meaghan, second by Robyn, voted all in favour by all voting members.

Teachers have put together a bunch of spirit days to give the kids something fun. Jan 27th is sport day. Feb 7th is hat day. Feb 10th is book day.

Switching to “permanent” distance learning or back to “in person” learning – deadline is Friday Jan 29th. This is the last time to make a change for the rest of the school year. All these timelines have been pushed back. And dates for return to actual in person learning TBD by the province.

Report cards are in the works and will be coming out in February, just not sure if they will be mailed out or given out in-person.

8. Round Table and Wrapping it up

Next meeting March 29th 2021 at 6:30 pm

ADJOURNED!