**Minutes**

**Franklin Public School Council**

**September 22nd**

**6:30 – 8:00pm**

**Franklin Library & Online**

* Welcome
  + To returning and new council members! Please email [franklinschoolcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:franklinschoolcouncil@gmail.com) to be added to the listserv email distribution list for meeting notices.
* Online attendees: Mark Noseworthy, Robyn Harrison, Kevin Cantzlaar, Heather Hribal, Shahen Absdulla, Jodi Diebolt
* Inperson attendees: Cindy Martin, Jessenua Rosales, Erin Hagey, Jennifer Coldwell, Linda Cotnam, Rixic Mortal, Nidogon Zeyko, Preet Sian, Kim Case, Sarah Fretz, Jacqueline Watty, Michell Hojan, Rexton Hojan
* **Minutes:**
* Introduction of new members
  + Acknowledged by , seconded by Preet
  + Explanation of the council
  + Roles are chairs, head of fundraising
  + Voting members
  + Voice at the table to understand what the school needs.
* Land Acknowledgement: <https://youtu.be/Qoiq-ah7xO4>
* Adoption of Agenda
  + First by Kim, seconded by Preet
* Student reps
  + Matthew, room 23
  + Building relationships through table groups self selected, this week, teacher selected.
  + Miss Borris and Mme Smits build relationships between the 2 classes (30 min to 1.5 hours). Passion projects will be done with the other class. Drum circle and drama, Kahoot and quizlet have been done (on line quiz games with ranking)
  + Drama with other skits to represent the other skills. GTK your teacher.
  + Rexton, Mr. V’s grade 6 – doing many games to get to know each other. Legend of Zelda quest.
* Principal and Vice-Principal Updates: Linda Cotnam and Jan Hansen
  + Jan – Hepa filters update. Air quality is better when air is brought in from the outside. 21 hepa filters are running.
  + Health and safety
  + Cyber attacks has caused glitches. All the information is on the board website.
  + Meetings will be an update on what is happening.
  + 19 (1/3 of the staff) have been hired. This is a lot of staff.
  + Classes have been added. Another K class was added
    1. Didn’t need to add classes or take any away. Ministry will review the final numbers to ensure they apply
    2. Parents should get a weekly summary via school day, and the school website
    3. Tight to the right (when passing in the halls)
    4. If you’re eating, you’re sitting. Supervisor will then help the kids clean up to get ready to go outside
    5. Tomorrow (Friday) is the Terry Fox run.
       1. There is amazing staff and community. Teachers have started a leadership club with grades 5-6 and help with the Frankie (these are cards for doing great things and each month there is a draw for prizes).
       2. Mrs. Womsley is helping run leadership and is running Terry Fox.
    6. Teachers have a bowl in the class for Nutrition for Learning that kids can access
    7. Food4Kids is for kids identified by teachers can take food home on the weekend for kids that need it
    8. Library – kids have a weekly opportunity to visit the library. There is open time as well. Kids cannot currently check out books due to systems needing to be synched. In the meantime, digital books are available.
    9. There will be a scholastic book fair (Nov. 23 toNov. 25). **Looking for volunteers!**
    10. Forest of Reading (Blue Spruce, and vote on the best book). Contact Fran Brenneman for more information.
    11. Volunteer policy – must have a police check with vulnerable sector check. For field trips, if you don’t have a police check, as long as you’re in view of the teacher and have a police check then you can volunteer.
    12. Major rule of the school – respect for yourself, others and the environment.
    13. Motto – kindness matters, manners matter
    14. WRDSB website always has updates

**Questions**

* Failure to fill? (supply teacher did not show up) Jan is a wiz at filling openings. It shouldn’t be happening, and compensation is being done to ensure there is coverage

SERT staff are available for everything from enrichment to physical disability and to help students to regulate.

May not get better in the short nor long term.

Supply teacher had car accident on the way here and that was one of the failure to fills.

* Safe, Caring, and Inclusive Schools – Linda
  + Committee at the school with 4-5 meetings a year (approximately 4 hours commitment fo the year) with parent, community, teacher, student reps
    1. Last year it was Sarah. Ensure the school is a safe place where the school feels safe. Covid has impacted the momentum of the committee.
    2. Michelle says it’s a great opportunity to hear from the students about where they feel comfortable and how they feel.
    3. Sarah and Preet have volunteerd to participate in the committee.
* Treasurer Report (Sarah)
  + $2,000 left
  + $4000 spent for classroom supplies
    1. $750 cert rooms
    2. $300 for field trips
    3. $630 for Factory Shoe
    4. $455 not claimed that can be added to the $2000
    5. A factory shoe card is no longer needed, the store has confirmed that you don’t need it.
    6. $462 received from FlipGive. Kim to give cheque to Linda.
       1. FlipGive is an online site where you can join and login before online shopping and the school gets a % of your purchase back.
       2. Over $1000 has been raised back.
       3. Kim and Jacqueline to talk about a campaign for promoting FlipGive again this year.

**Fundraising in the past** (not the intent of the council, but helps with student initiative)

Hands off efforts during the pandemic

Factory Shoe

Flipgive

Domino’s pizza ($5 goes back from the school)

School pizza – school generated money

Fundserve – gift cards and the school gets a % back from the sale of the gift cards

Board funds – ensure all students have the same experience

Did everyone know that the planners were $5 and can be sent with the school.

Kindergartens do not get these planners

End of year report includes everything that had money spent last year.

**Discussion Topics:**

Kindie area: System standards being looked at by the WRDSB for the play areas and since the school is one of the oldest, then it will be evaluated first. Trying to make things standard. Trying to ensure that all the schools are equitable so that schools with greater fundraising opportunities aren’t having bettert areas than schools that do not.

**Purchasing requests – will be differed**

* Vertical while – 12 of them for group work $200-$300
* Binding machine – to make books and practice reading and writing (need board vendor approvals) $594
* Is there a concern with a heavy duty staple machine vs. the binding machine? – Linda to look into it
* Rexton asked if we can use butterfly clips
* Major Fundraising for 2022/2023: (started pre pandemic with $17,000 from Laura Secord chocolate bar fundraiser). Money raised in the year should be used within the year. Each fund raiser has a purpose and the council members have a voice that will be heard.
* Don’t want to affect the weekly Pizza Pizza fundraiser if we do Domino’s fundraiser
  + What do we need at the school this year?
  + How can we support school objectives?
  + What are our current fundraisers? Factory Shoe, Flipgive…?

Put your name forward if you are interested in these roles via email to the franklinschoolcouncil@gmail.com

* + Executive & Council (Voting) Positions
    - Co-chair positions are open (or, one Chair position) – TBD, must have been a voting member for 1 year
    - Treasurer – Sarah Fretz
    - Fundraising lead: TBD
    - Secretary – Hilary and Diana as backup
  + (email vote to the Franklinschoolcouncil@gmail.com will be conducted by Sept. 17th)
* Other business?

Visit <https://fra.wrdsb.ca/school-council/> to see the roles and responsibilities

Site needs to be updated with student reps

Should a letter be sent out regarding fundraising – yes to coordinate with the school

Monarch weigh stations with seeds for flowers to feed the monarchs near the kindie area. Also have a new one near grade 5-6s and got very grown. Weed whacker took some of it out.

Plants have been planted

House for native, non stinging, hive bees. These are individual and will not defend in the same way..

Food4kids donations

Coats are donated to the school.

Community members give mitts

Promote Food4kids, nutrition 4 learning, and food box at the church.

Next meeting: Discuss meeting dates/times and set them for the year

October 20th.

Meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm